**MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ARGENTA, ILLINOIS**

**#20-06-15 R06**

**MONDAY JUNE 15, 2020 @ 6:00 P.M.**

**VILLAGE HALL, 330 N WARREN STREET, ARGENTA, ILLINOIS**

**Call to Order:**  Mayor Luedke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Mayor Luedke and Trustees Pagel, Kaufman, Mitchell, Berry and Ryan were present. Trustee Logan was absent. Also in attendance were Street Superintendent Ken Smith, and Clerk Sherry Koszesza. Residents in attendance were

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2020 #20-05-18 R05
2. Approval of Disbursements #20-06-15 D06
3. Approval of Bank Reconciliations #20-06-15 BR06
   * Trustee Pagel moved and Trustee Mitchell seconded toapprove the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Pagel = Yes Berry = Yes

Kaufman = Yes Ryan = Yes

Mitchell = Yes Logan = Absent

Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** There was none.

**Recognition of Visitors:** There were none.

**Department Reports:**

1. Village Staff Reports. Street Superintendent Ken Smith has a student that started working for us today. He told the Board that Gary Smart had resigned. There were no objections to the new employee. We will be oiling and chipping in the next month or so.
2. Mayor’s Report. Mayor Luedke met with Attorney Ed Flynn last week about a couple of things. She explained the driveway issue on Claremont Street. She thought that if the owner of the houses wanted a driveway, we would have to extend Claremont. Ed said that we do not. It is called easement by prescription. The owner cannot close that driveway. If a dispute comes up, it is between the property owners. She also talked to him about 178 N North. Attorney Ross Munsterman found out that the house is still under investigation by the insurance company. We had a complaint about the safety of the house from a resident. The insurance company is waiting on the homeowners to give sworn statements. The homeowners have not done that yet. Ross said that we can have it torn down – at our expense. Mayor Luedke will call the homeowner again. Trustee Ryan asked what it would cost to tear it down. Ken said that also the grain bins are starting to lose parts.
3. Attorney’s Report. There was none.

**Old Business:**

* Discuss/Vote to enter into Intergovernmental Agreement with Macon County Sheriff’s Office for the “Hire Back” program. Trustee Berry asked if we control the hours. We do. Mayor Luedke said that we have had some complaints about speeding. We do have the radar trailer. Trustee Kaufman asked about the police committee. Would that group put together a schedule? Mayor Luedke thought that would be a good idea. Trustee Berry asked if we had laws set up regarding what the officers can and cannot do. Trustee Ryan said they must follow the County rules. Trustee Kaufman thought we could save money.
  + Trustee Kaufman moved and Trustee Ryan seconded toapprove an Intergovernmental Agreement with Macon County Sheriff’s Office for the “Hire Back” program.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Pagel = Yes Berry = Yes

Kaufman = Yes Ryan = Yes

Mitchell = Yes Logan = Absent

Motion carried.

* Discuss/Vote on purchasing Radar Speed signs for speed control. Trustee Kaufman said that we should try to get the Winings money. Trustee Ryan asked where the problem areas are. They are the north end and the west end. A group will meet this week to write a request for the Winings Grant.
  + Trustee Berry moved and Trustee Mitchell seconded toapprove purchasing Radar Speed signs for speed control contingent on receiving the Winings Grant.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Pagel = Yes Berry = Yes

Kaufman = Yes Ryan = Yes

Mitchell = Yes Logan = Absent

Motion carried.

**New Business:**

* Discuss/Vote on allowing “to go” mixed drinks/cocktail sales in the Village limits. Mayor Luedke does not think this is a good idea. Trustee Pagel said that if the governor says they can do that, we should let them. No motion.

**Closed Session:**

**Open Session:**

**Adjournment**

* Trustee Mitchell moved, and Trustee Pagel seconded, to adjourn at 7:02 p.m.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was:

Pagel = Yes Berry = Yes

Kaufman = Yes Ryan = Yes

Mitchell = Yes Logan = Absent

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken by Clerk Sherry Koszesza