VILLAGE OF HONOR

Regular Council Meeting Minutes April 8, 2024

Meeting Called to Order by President Pro-Tempore Theobald at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited

Roll Call: Council- Denoyer, Theobald, Wendel; present. Ward; absent.

Staff- Goodman, Reed, Leone; present. Sessions; absent.

Council Vacancy: Nichole Hepner introduced herself and expressed interest in the vacant council seat. After brief discussion regarding other interested parties. Motion by Denoyer/Theobald to appoint Hepner to complete term ending in November 2024. Roll Call: Ayes; Denoyer, Theobald. Nays; Wendel. Absent; Ward. Motion passed.

Board Comments on Agenda: None

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Denoyer/Wendel to approve agenda as presented; all ayes, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Denoyer/Theobald to approve March 11, 2024, Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented; all ayes; motion passed.

Public Comment: D. Durkee thanked the Council for their efforts.

Guests/Presentations:

- a. Eclipse Communications presented estimates for wi-fi at Maley Park and 'triangle'. Est #1438 for Maley Park only \$2,265.75; #1439 for Maley Park and Playground \$3,376.50. There would be no additional monthly costs. Council discussed security concerns and they will be addressed by Eclipse. Motion by Wendel/Denoyer to accept estimate #1439 for \$3,376.50 and to authorize Eclipse to go forward with the project. Roll Call: Ayes; Wendel, Theobald, Denoyer. Nays; none. Absent; Ward. Motion passed.
- b. Northern Disposal, Cory Brown-not present.

Zoning Administrator: Rosemary Naulty reported she issued one LUP for a fence.

Planning Commission: Rosemary Naulty reported the P/C received the STR ordinance back from our attorney and they will review and discuss proposed changes at their next meeting. P/C planning to hold dual public hearings on August 7, 2024. One regarding the proposed Master Plan and the other for the proposed Short Term Rental ordinance. They have not had any inquiries about the open position.

County Commissioner/Fire Chief: Tim Markey gave an update on County issues. Commissioners approved a policy regarding financial hardship. They will begin review of the County Administrator prior to her contract expiration. Markey turned in a written report on year-to-date Fire Department runs.

Financial Reports: Treasurer noted account changes. Two accounts were transferred, as well as one new CD opened at State Savings Bank. Motion by Denoyer/Theobald to accept financial reports as presented. Roll Call: Ayes; Theobald, Wendel, Denoyer. Nays; none. Absent; Ward. Motion passed.

Budget Amendments: None.

Submission of Bills/Checks: Motion by Denoyer/Wendel to approve bills as presented, totaling. Roll Call: Ayes; Theobald, Wendel, Denoyer. Nays; none. Absent; Ward. Motion passed.

Correspondence:

Incoming: a. None.

Outgoing: a. None.

Old Business:

a. None.

New Business:

- a. The new Federal mileage rate for 2024 is \$0.67 per mile.
- b. Council discussed possibility of planting the Village flower pots in-house. Jake will check into options. The Council agreed to revisit the issue at their next meeting. American flags will be put up before Memorial Day. Denoyer requested we look into other flag options as well; Leone get options. Motion by Theobald/Wendel to re-hire Brian Smith as part-time maintenance worker beginning April 15, 2024. Authorized to work up to 40 hrs. per pay period. Roll Call: Ayes; Theobald, Denoyer, Wendel. Nays; none. Absent; Ward. Motion passed.

Reports:

- a. Maintenance Report Leone, written report provided. Lagoon levels are good. Increase in waster hauler intake. Muskrat activity being addressed with local DNR. Trucks have had plows/sanders removed after winter. Porta-Potties installed the Park. He will begin placing tables and trash cans with the part-time help. The quarterly water testing at Maley Park was completed and we are in good shape. Leone would like to replace the Village message boards. (Village Hall, Post Office, & Maley Park). The current ones have deteriorated beyond reasonable repair. Motion by Wendel/Denoyer to authorize up to \$2,800 for purchase of three new kiosks. Roll Call: Ayes; Theobald, Denoyer, Wendel. Nays; none. Absent; Ward. Motion passed.
- b. Street Administrator Leone reported paving is scheduled to begin mid-May on Riverside Drive and Platte Street after. The Road Commission has completed brush hogging along Link Drive and portions of Riverside Drive. He is still waiting for the third bid for seal coating for parking lots.
- c. Ordinance Officer None.
- d. Park Committee Reed reported portable bathrooms are in place for the summer season. We have a new sign to be placed at Park. Need to check electrical availability at Park.
- e. Playground Committee Denoyer reported he will be meeting with the County Commissioners regarding playground project funding. The playground project committee has been working on donation

level acknowledgements. They have been looking into signage to promote the playground and give direction to possible donors. After discussion, the Council opted to wait for additional information on signs before approving any expenditures.

f. Sewer Committee - No report.

General Discussion: Theobald will replace Smith as website liaison. Council needs to complete ARPA reporting by April 30.

Public Input: Reminder, the Farmer's Market begins June 4.

Announcements: HARP will be holding an outdoor clean-up at Platte River Park on April 20, 2024.

Adjournment: Motion by Wendel/Denoyer to adjourn meeting at 7:30pm. All ayes; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by: Reed/Goodman April 9, 2024