

#1 Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Shiocton for the month of February was called to order by Village President Terri James at 6:00p.m.

#2 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

#3 Roll Call

Roll call was taken and present were Village President Terri James. Trustees Bunnell, Dontje, Van Straten, Schmoock, Gomm and Dawes were present. Also, present were Police Chief Amber George, Village Clerk Laurie Bunnell, Corny Van Voorhis, Dan Conradt, Linda Lemmers, Ron Herman and Shay Foxenberg.

#4. Acceptance of minutes from previous meeting

M/S/P Dawes/Bunnell to approve the minutes from the previous meeting

#5. Approve/Deny Operator license for Samantha Scott

M/S/P Dawes/Bunnell to Approve Operator license for Samantha Scott

#6. Linda Lemmers- Wolf River Signage

Linda is a volunteer at Navarino Nature Center and they are working on a project to install signs along the river from Shawano to Stephenville to help tubers, kayakers and canoers navigate where they are on the river. They have a grant that will cover the cost of a large portion but are looking for more donations to allow them to order a couple extra signs and cover maintenance and/or replacements in the future. They are asking for \$100-\$200 from each municipality. The Nature center staff will maintain the signs and install them. This project is approved by Outagamie County. Trustee Dontje asked in Shadows on the Wolf has made a donation, Linda Lemmers stated they have not yet asked other groups but intend on doing so. Trustee Bunnell stated he would like to see the Board agree to purchase the two signs that will be located in the Village limits.

M/S/P Bunnell/Gomm to purchase two signs and the nature center staff will install and maintain them.

#7. Approve Revisions to Ordinance 11-3-7 (b)(2) Issuance of Worthless Checks

Village President James handed out the original ordinances and a copy with the revisions. This ordinance revision was requested by the Judge. The current version state that a 5day written notice will be mailed but does not say who it comes from. The revised version states that the notice is mailed by the business owner.

M/S/P Dawes/Van Straten to approve the ordinance revision as read.

#8. Approve Revisions to Ordinance 2-3-13(f) Contempt of Court to reference S.S. 800.12

The current ordinance is wordy and hard to understand. The Ordinance Committee is suggesting to just adopt the State Statute which is easy to translate and straight forward.

M/S/P Dawes/Schmoock to approve the ordinance revision as read.

#9. Add Adult Paraphernalia to Ordinance 11-2-11(c)(1) to reference S.S. 961.573

The current ordinance does not have any mention of adults with drug paraphernalia the revision would adopt the State Statute which covers that.

M/S/P Dawes/Bunnell to approve the ordinance revision as read.

#10. Street/Utilities Reports- Director of Public Works Corny Van Voorhis

DPW Van Voorhis stated that the parking on Morgan Ave. is getting worse. The DPW can not get a plow truck down the street and emergency vehicles would not make it down there either. He would suggest putting no parking signs on the north side and allowing parking on the south side. The south side is more level and would allow the plow to clear more room for vehicles to park further on the side of the road.

There is a house on East Maple that has no water pressure. The cost of a new line would be about \$5,000. Van Voorhis found out that a long time ago the lateral was kinked and when it was repaired the contractor offered the property owner a discount to fix the issues on their end but they did not want to spend the money to fix it. Now the new owner is questioning the low water pressure. The Village is responsible for the water main to the curb stop and the curb stop is currently grown into the tree on the property owner's front yard. The Board discussed whether the new owner had a home warranty that would cover the cost. Trustee Dontje stated that if the Village has issues on it's end the Village would have to cover that cost but should not have to cover the home owners' costs. Village ordinance states it is the property owner's responsibility to maintain the area around the curb stop. Van Voorhis suggested abandoning the current line and go around the tree to install a new one.

Van Voorhis reported that he had met with the company that does the cross-connection inspections. The first year will cost about \$5,400 to bring the utilities into compliance then every year after that about \$2,700. It is the utilities responsibility to make sure the commercial properties are compliant.

Van Voorhis reported that he was asked to provide an elevation certificate for the property located at W7828 HWY 54 but he would not sign off on it because there was not enough information provided to get a proper elevation. The Clerk will check FEMA website for a LOMA certificate, that may have the information needed.

#11. Shiocton Police Department January Activity Report- Chief George

Chief George reported that all the officers are trained. Chief George attended new chief conference and received a lot of information on grants. Chief George is working on the PSL proposal for the school.

#12. Range Update

The range has been slow with the weather. The plowing is going well having the DPW take care of it. Village president Terri James gave Chief George some information to look into for a grant.

#13. Committee Reports

Shay Foxenberg reported on the Library. OWLS has 29 libraries and is looking at combining with Winnifox system to provide more services to the patrons. Winnifox has 29 libraries as well.

#14. Finance Committee examination of bills & vouchers

M/S/P Dawes/Schmoock to approve the bills as presented

#15. Village President Misc.

Village President Terri James told the Board that the mother of Hailey Apple has requested to put a bench at Bamboo Bend in Hailey's memory. Trustee Bunnell is concerned that at some point there may be too many and how do they pick who can or can't. Trustee Gomm stated that if there is a good spot for it, he would see no issues because it would provide a place to sit. Trustee Schmoock suggested approving this one with the condition that they would determine the placement in the spring, then while they are at Bamboo bend in the spring. They can see how many more would fit there and put a cap on it at that time.

M/S/P Schmoock/Dawes to approve the bench in memory of Hailey Apple at Bamboo Bend with the condition that the placement will be determined by the Board in the spring.

Village President Terri James stated that there were some questions about why the Kubota needed repairs and the cost of the repairs. James met with Public Works Director Corny Van Voorhis and went over the maintenance schedule he provided. The Kubota had been receiving regular maintenance and it does not appear that the work needed was caused by lack of maintenance. President James talked to an employee at Service Motors and he stated the work done was caused by machine error not misuse. The Kubota was purchased in 2013 and up until now there has been no work done on it besides the routine care.

James also asked Van Voorhis about the batteries for the plow truck and he stated that the batteries were 7 years old and would not hold a charge. The truck had 71,000 miles when it was purchased in 2016 and now has 72,000 miles and the batteries are the only thing that has been needed.

#16. Forthcoming Events

#17. Public Comment – This is a time for the public to bring up any concerns they would like the Board to address.

#18. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 7:15p.m.

Posted and dated February 13, 2019

Laurie Bunnell, Village Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes are a condensed version of all the conversations that took place at the meeting. These minutes are a draft and will not be approved until the next regular Board meeting.