**#1 Call to Order**

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Shiocton for the month of December, 2020 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, R. Van Straten, D. Van Straten, Gomm and Dawes. Trustee Winterfeldt was excused. Also, present were Police Chief Amber George, Sergeant Knapp, Village Clerk Laurie Sweeney, Tammy Free, Elaine Conradt, DPW Dan Nabbefeld, DPW Dan Conradt, and Library Director Shay Foxenberg.

**#4. Approve Minutes from November Meeting**

**M/S/P Bunnell/Gomm to approve the minutes from November meeting**

**#5. Street/Utilities Reports- Director of Public Works Dan Conradt**

The county will give a credit on salt for the overcharge on the bill for work done this fall. They will also do some smear patching in the spring at no charge.

The pump on mill St. needs to be replaced, they are waiting for a quote.

Elm St. is not scheduled yet but should be done soon.

**#6. Shiocton Police Department November Activity Report- Chief George**

**December calls:**

Accident-2, Assist-8, Alarm-1, Business check-1, Disturbance-2, Damage-2, Harassment-1, Juvenile-2, Lost and found-2, Medical-3, Ordinance-9, OWI-1, Parking-5, Reckless Driver-1, Sex offense-1, Suscipious-1, Traffic-24, Theft-1, Trespassing-3, Vehicle lockout-1, 911 misdial-2, Total-50.

Chief George reported the Santa float event went well. The tree lighting is this Friday at 6pm.

The Police Dept. had training in Black Creek last Saturday on drug and alcohol stops and searches.

 The Police Dept. has been enforcing the garbage can ordinance and parking overnight on Village streets. They have seen some improvement.

The Police Dept. received a donation from the back the blue sign committee. They received two trauma kits and 8 tourniquets.

Chief George reported that Shiocton Police Dept. was awarded a $10,000 Covid relief grant to replace the squad computers and the laptop in the Chief’s office.

**#7. Range Report**

The range has slowed down since gun deer season has ended. They are maintaining and updating things now.

They are also working on condensing the signs.

Chief George reported that she can now access the website and has updated it. She is working with a new company to get the current sit up to date because it is so old.

**#8. Approve/Deny Operator License for Megan Blohowiak**

**M/S/P Dawes/R. Van Straten to approve Operator License for Megan Blohowiak**

**#9. Committee Reports**

Shay reported that the Library is one of the only three left that are open to the public. They have been busy with more people using the fax/copy services. They have had people from out of town as well.

The Library is all set up for their tree lighting event this Friday at 6pm.

Trustee Bunnell mentioned that Marty and Amanda Baker had donated a battery operated chainsaw to the Fire Department.

**#10. Clerk- Misc.**

Clerk Sweeney reported that the water rate increase has been approved by the PSC and the new rates will start after the December reading and will be on the April 2021 bill. The public Fire Protection fee is $9.93 for residential 5/8” meters. The pool fill sheets will be updated with the new service charge and rates.

Tax bills are out. The Village Hall will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays for tax payments.

There will be a February Election, with a school referendum being the only item on the ballot. The hours for in person absentee voting will be Tuesday/Thursday 12:30-3:30pm and Wednesdays from 7am-11am.

**#11. Village President- Misc**

President James had nothing to report.

**#12. Finance Committee examination of bills & vouchers**

**M/S/P Dawes/Gomm to approve the bills as presented.**

**#13. Forthcoming Events**

Nothing reported

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

 **to address.**

**#15. Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 6:17p.m.

Posted and dated December 15, 2020 Laurie Sweeney, Village Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes are a condensed version of all the conversations that took place at the meeting.