

VILLAGE OF DAWSON

DECEMBER 4, 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order: Mayor Dee Smith called to order the Dawson Board Meeting for December 4, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Trustees present were Josh Young, Denise Hartley, Teri Davis-Anderson and Nancy Prytherch. Jeremy Bounds and Jake Byerline were absent. Also present were Mayor Dee Smith, Treasurer Jody Prytherch, Attorney Steve Scott and Clerk Lynda Files.

Pledge of Allegiance: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MINUTES: Mayor requested approval of the November minutes with Attorney Scott noting omission of one board member that was present in November but omitted in the minutes. Clerk will correct the error. Teri made a motion to approve with the revision and Nancy Prytherch seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.

BILLS: Dee Hartley made the request to approve the November Bills and Nancy Prytherch seconded. Motion carried with all ayes .

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jody submitted the November treasurer's report going over each page and account. She also reported Jimmy Turner had requested a water adjustment for a broken pipe which has been replaced. The Mayor asked for motion to approve the adjustment. Teri made the motion and Josh seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes. Pat Petitt had also requested an adjustment, however, Jody requested we wait until we have more information on the leak. The Mayor noted the water adjustment procedure needs to be revised. It's been kept on the table to be revisited.

Jody reported she had received disbursement #22 and presented the bills that need paid to Keely Construction and Kuhn & Trello Engineers. They have requested an extension to January 15th due to testing being done by the EPA. Mayor Dee requested approval of the board to pay the bills and accept the extension request. Teri made motion and Nancy seconded the motion. Motion passed with all ayes.

PUBLIC FORUM: William Mitchell and Vicki Davis appeared to further discuss the Interurban Trail Project between Dawson and Buffalo. They reported after attending several meetings, etc., found they needed someone in government to sponsor a bank account in order for them to apply for grant money, etc. They requested the Village of Dawson to do this. This would not cause the Village to spend any money to just sponsor the account. Attorney will check on this and report to us if feasible.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

ENGINEER'S REPORT: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

TRUSTEE'S REPORTS: Teri reported she had a resident request that a payment box be installed at the new water plant like the one at the Village Office for the convenience of customers living in that area. Discussion pursued noting that safety from being broke into or actually stolen from the site occurring. Some people do pay their bill with cash.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT Attorney Scott presented Ordinance No. 2023-VOD-005 which dealt with amending salaries for the Village Treasurer and Water Clerk, to the Board. It had been approved in November's Executive Board Meeting. He passed out copies to all board members.

Steve also passed out copies of the Ordinance for the Employee's Paid Leave Act. This had been passed by the Board previously.

NEW WATER PLANT CONSTRUCTION: NONE

MAYOR'S REPORT The Mayor has received a request from Tri-City Jr/Sr High School for the Village to place an ad in the 2024 Yearbook. He called for approval of a motion to buy the ad for \$60 which is 1/8 page ad. Josh made the motion to approve and Nancy seconded the motion. Motion passed with all eyes.

The Mayor reported the Office Copy Machine is not running correctly and he has been quoted \$870 to get it fixed. It is five years old and he is going to check around and get bids. He is not quite sure it is worth that much to repair. The Board approved giving him authority to get one if needed depending on quotes he gets.

Mayor mentioned the retirement program they are working on for the Village employees. He passed out brochures and there will be a zoom meeting soon. Mayor is giving them couple of weeks to look over and bring any questions to the zoom meeting.

He also passed out sheet with information on a different telephone service thru Technology@Work for the Village. The service would utilize Voice over Internet Protocol technology. We will look into this further.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business pending, the Mayor called for adjournment and Nancy made the motion and Josh seconded the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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Lynda Files, Clerk