

**VILLAGE OF NEW MILFORD
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 26, 2023**

Timothy H. Owens called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Roll call was taken with Timothy H. Owens, Sharon K. Baumgartner, Ronald Colvin, Linnea Miller(via telephone), Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Rodney Roop, Dan Wolf, Adam Bunge and Jim Stevens in attendance.

A motion by Dan Wolf second by Ron Colvin to adopt agenda, motion carried voice vote taken, ayes (6) Ronald Colvin, Linnea Miller, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Rodney Roop, and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0).

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Reported on Comcast and upgrading the village internet bandwidth from 25Mb to 250 Mb, and also upgrading the telephone service and they would provide a new telephone that can provide everyone to have their own mailbox, the board can vote at the board meeting. Tim asked everyone to review the letter about the speed tables and see what they found from doing the study of how cars are going over them. Tim also removed some branches so you can see the signage better. Tim stated that at this time we should stripe them and wait until next year to put in the third speed table. Kevin stated they need the counts between 2:30 PM until 4 PM, so more cars would be using the road. Tim reminded the trustees that the invoices will be in his mailbox for the board members to review for payment. The Village and the Rockford Park District will be holding the press release for the new park on September 28th at 2:00 PM. The next meeting with them will be a zoom meeting on October 5th and October 10th will have a meeting to go over the Intergovernmental Agreement with them. We got a banner made with the name of the new park and that will be revealed on September 28th at the press release. Tim reported he received a telephone call from Lori Peterson who lives at 6518 10th Street off New Milford School Road, they are trying to sell their house and ran into problems with the water and the work on the well will cost them over \$13,000.00 and cannot afford that, they wanted to connect to the village and Tim explained we do not have a system in that area, Tim asked Jim to talk to the water department with the county and see if anything can be done for them. Tim stated he had a telephone conversation with John Ekberg asking questions about the water extension and why he would not be on their side of the road.

CLERK REPORT: Sharon reported that the auditors have picked up the financial records and have been working on the audit.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Adam reported that they will be going out for bid next week for the demo of the old park equipment, fencing etc. The striping for the village streets by the county has been completed, we should be receiving an invoice soon for the project. Adam will get with Sharon to get the invoice for the traffic light for IDOT so they can pay their portion. Adam reported that Sean Von Bergen the Civil Engineer for Winnebago County got back to him on a matter that was missed in the talks at the meeting, beside the \$29,800.00 estimate for design and engineering there is also a \$10,000.00 cost for geotechnical. The geotechnical is to help identify the type of soil and rock the contractor will encounter when digging the extension. He was sorry that he missed that at the meeting. Adam asked the board if they wanted him to start reviewing roads for the 2024 Street Maintenance Program. Dan stated that the village's portion of Rydberg Road looks good, it's the part that is Rockford Townships part that needs work. Lorraine Lane and Bonnie Drive are having some issues. The board stated that IDOT just did the service road with tar and pea gravel, that is not what the board wants to do to the village roads, they asked Adam to go out and review the roads and bring back his suggestions on what needs work and we would want to mill and do an overlay on them. With all the projects going on right now we want to watch spending and make sure they need done now or can wait for a while. Ron asked Adam to bring back some options for the board to review.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Jim stated like Tim had said there will be a meeting for the village and Rockford Park District to sign the intergovernmental agreement. The agreement with the county for the inspections, that is on hold for further talks, they want to increase from 4% to 10%, Jim stated back to them all other communities only pay the 4%, Jim will report back on the matter. Jim asked the board members if they have reviewed the Mobile Home Ordinance and if they had any questions or changes, Jim stated that Dan asked for a change to that mobile homes could not be more than ten years old and would be reviewed for approval and also that if there are garbage problems it be sent to the mobile home park owners. Jim will make the changes and bring them back to the board to review and then get the changes to the park owners for review.

VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

Deanna Rodgers: Reported the times for the Neighborhood Watch event, October 28th from Noon - 5:00 PM the Craft Sale, Trunk or Treat will be at the strip mall from 4 - 6 PM, the movie will be held at the fire station and will either be Casper or Muppet Haunted House. Want to print out flyers and posts at local businesses to promote the event.

Rodney Roop: None

Linnea Miller: None

Dan Wolf: Reported that he has received two quotes with prevailing wages for the work on the pavilion, one from Kenz Roofing for \$34,605.00 and the other from Roofing Systems for \$35,460.00. We can vote on it at the board meeting, the trustees agreed to have the roof be Hunter Green. Tim stated he is working on getting some quotes on painting the other parts of the pavilion, the board agreed to go with a tan color to match the village signage.

Eileen Owens: Reported that she has made some flyers about the Craft Sale to get more vendors to come and will get them passed out and there are some on the sign outside the village hall, she is also working on getting some yard signs 24” x 18” to put out, they will cost \$152.50. Tim stated we can have the signs so we can just change the dates and keep using them over and over.

Ronald Colvin: Just wanted to verify information for the village sign.

A motion by Dan Wolf second by Ron Colvin to adjourn the meeting, motion carried voice vote taken, ayes (6) Ronald Colvin, Linnea Miller, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Rodney Roop, and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0). Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM

Respectfully submitted

**Sharon K. Baumgartner
Village Clerk/Treasurer**