

**Village of Woodson**  
**Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**November 1, 2021**

A regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Woodson, Illinois was held November 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. President Bruce Milner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following Trustees were present for the roll call: DeWitt, Allen, Hungerford, Steward and Godair. Also present were the Village Clerk Lisa Probst, Police Chief Derek Suttles and Water and Street Superintendent Greg Seymour (absent) and Treasurer Lisa Suttles.

Call to order was made by President Milner with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda**

Motion was made by Trustee Dewitt to approve the agenda and seconded by Trustee Allen. The motion was carried by a vote of 3 yeas.

**Minutes**

Minutes from the October 4, 2021 Board Meeting were reviewed. Trustee Steward made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Trustee Dewitt seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the unanimous vote of the trustees present.

**Public Forum**

**Breast Cancer Awareness-** Chief Suttles/Police Dept presented a check for \$561.00 that was raised for the Mia Ware Foundation to Kim Brogdon and Brad Ware.

**President's report/Correspondence**

Beautification of Village- long term goals have been set.

Replaced Culverts

Piles of dirt in the Village will be used for demolition of the purchased property next to Village Hall.

Tires and boat will be removed.

## **Police Report**

Police Chief Derek Suttles presented the Police Report.

Traffic Stops 15 /Woodson 6 Citations

Traffic Stops 7 / Murrayville 1 Citation

Traffic Related Arrests - 0

Officer hours for this month-168

Motion was made by Trustee Godair to approve the Police Report as given and seconded by Trustee Steward. 3 Yeas carried the motion.

## **Sewer Report**

Total of 26 past dues notices were sent as of September 30, 2021

Total bills printed: 188

Sewer/Refuse Systems Deposits: \$ 7308.60

Escrow: \$0

Motion was made by Trustee Allen to approve the Sewer Report and seconded by Trustee Steward. 3 Yeas carried the motion.

## **Treasurer's Report**

A motion was made by Trustee Allen to approve the Treasurer's Report and seconded by Trustee Godair. On a roll call the following votes were cast Dewitt, yes; and Steward, yes and Hungerford yes. The motion carried.

A motion was also made by Trustee Dewitt to pay the bills and seconded by Trustee Godair. On a roll call, the following votes were cast: Allen, yes and Steward, yes and Hungerford yes. The motion carried

### **Village Report**

President Milner presented the Village Report to the Trustees in Mr. Seymour's absence.

- Blowers and pumps will all be checked to ensure they are working properly at the sewer plant.
- Lagoons need discharged for the winter and a sample will need to be taken in.
- Leaf vacuum is being worked on.
- 1 culvert will need to be replaced on Gardner.

### **Old Business**

**Audit Materials (4/30/2021)** –All documents have been sent in to the Auditors.

**ARPA Grant-** \$34,000.00 was received on the grant. The other portion will be received in Aug/Sept of 2022.

**Sidewalk Repairs-** Tabled.

**September 11th Patriot Days-** Committee will be set up in January.

**September 11<sup>th</sup> volunteers-** Additional volunteers will be needed for next year's event.

## **New Business**

**Christmas Gathering-** Gathering has been mentioned to the Board. Tracy Sorensen will see what is available to reserve.

**Ordinance for Purchase of Elevator (494)** - Motion was made by Trustee Dewitt to approved Ordinance 494 and seconded by Trustee Godair. On a roll call the following votes were cast Allen yes; Steward yes; and Hungerford yes.

**Ordinance 494 Tax Levy (December)** - Trustees will review and approve at the December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Calendar of 2022 Meetings in December-** Trustees will review and approve at the December 6th meeting.

**Christmas for Kids at Village Hall hosted by the Fire Dept-** Event will be held mid-December, tentative date not yet set.

**Salary Discussions-** (Closed Session)

Motion was made by Trustee Godair to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Trustee Allan and go into closed session. 3 yeas carried the motion.

Motion was made by Trustee Godair to adjourn the closed meeting and seconded by Trustee Allan and go into open session. On a roll call the following votes were cast, Hungerford yes, Dewitt yes, and Steward yes.

### **Salary Discussions/Benefits**

**The following employees will receive a merit raise effective January 1, 2022.**

Greg Seymour/ also increase in sewer license per month

Tracy Sorenson/increase hours to 30 per week.

Christian/part-time employee

Motion was made by Trustee Godair to approve the merit increase for Greg Seymour seconded by Trustee Allan. On a roll call the following votes were cast, Hungerford yes, Dewitt yes, and Steward yes.

Motion was made by Trustee Dewitt to approve the merit increase for Tracy Sorenson seconded by Trustee Steward. On a roll call the following votes were cast, Hungerford yes, Allan yes, and Godair yes.

Motion was made by Trustee Dewitt to approve the merit increases for part-time employees and seconded by Trustee Godair. On a roll call the following votes were cast, Hungerford yes Steward yes, and Allen yes

**The following will receive a Christmas Bonus for 2021**

Lisa Suttles, Lisa Probst, Tracy Sorenson, Greg Seymour, Kyle and Christian.

Motion was made by Trustee Dewitt to approve the Christmas bonus and seconded by Trustee Allan. On a roll call the following votes were cast, Hungerford yes, Steward yes, and Godair yes.

**Lisa Probst/Village Clerk**