

The Murrayville Village Board met for their monthly meeting May, 07, 2024. President Brian Saxer called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call answering to present were President Brian Saxer, Police Chief Derek Suttles, Treasurer Rhonda Cors, Trustees Kevin Braley, John Lonergan, Audrey Wardell, Francis Fitzgerald, and Clerk Gina Lonergan.

The April 02, 2024, minutes were read. Trustee John Lonergan made a motion to approve minutes as read with Kevin Braley second. Motion approved with all ayes.

Police Chief Derek Suttles reported for the Police Department. There were four traffic stops with three citations. On April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Chief Suttles arrested Tyler Royer in Murrayville for a valid Failure to Appear Morgan County Warrant. On April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Detective Broaddus & Chief Suttles investigated one of our surveillance cameras being tampered with. The East facing camera on the park pavilion in Murrayville had been knocked off the roof and was hanging by its wires. After watching camera footage, we were able to identify two juvenile females who were responsible for knocking the camera down. After discussing the issue with Village President Saxer it was determined the two girls would be No Trespassed from the park. There was no damage to the camera, and it was re attached to the pavilion by MMC. On April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Detective Broaddus handled a gas drive off at the Murrayville Fast Stop in which \$75.75 in fuel was pumped but was not paid for. We were able to identify a vehicle in this case from our pole camera however it was an unreadable MO license plate and we have yet to locate the vehicle. There are 23 community vehicle registrations. The Woodson American Legion donated \$500 to the department as part of the money raised from Queen of Hearts 50/50 drawings. The money will be put toward the new striping of the Ford Crown Vic and Chevrolet Tahoe.

Open Floor includes

1. Conxxus Fiber Internet: Miranda Lovett attended the meeting to present Conxxus internet and left some flyers.
2. Cody Kitselman and Donald Hawkins are needing Trailer/Mobile home & building permits. Trustee Kevin Braley made a motion to amend 103 East Superior Street from a residential home to a manufactured home with John Lonergan second. Motion approved with all ayes. Donald Hawkins needs a building permit and to pay \$65 for rock.
3. See # 2
4. ARPA Funds - Suggestions were to add solar panels at Purcell/Main, Ballpark Lights, Bridge crossing from the Pavilion to the park and to pay the fee to Hutchinson's for Phase III of the Sewer project to offset the possibility of increase sewer rates. The two top favored suggestions are the Bridge Crossing with suggestions of Ron Edwards, Mike Neal & Scott Rawlings for hired work, and Hutchinson Fee.
5. Fire Station Exit Plan: Board would like to see the agreement plan before making further decisions.
6. Wes Anders - Cellular work phone. Trustee Francis Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the purchase of a cellular work phone for the Sewer Maintenance position with Audrey Wardell second. Motion approved with all ayes.
7. Steve's Retirement lunch will be May 10<sup>th</sup> @ the Village Hall. A vote was taken to gift Steve a a \$5000+ tax for his retirement. The vote passed with 4 yays 0 nays 0 absent.
8. Ordinance books for all Staff & Trustees have been printed. Clerk will be putting in binders to distribute at the next meeting.

9. Eric Lakin's school letter. The board is open w/donating ballpark ground if needed.

Treasurer Rhonda Cors has presented the account balances. CD's General Fund (both), Cemetery Ruth Smith & Sewer System Surplus will all be closed and reopened to keep the 4.50 rate. Sewer O&M will move \$15,000 to the Sewer Money Market account. Trustee Francis Fitzgerald made a motion to approve treasurers report with Kevin Braley second. Motion approved with all ayes.

Trustee Kevin Braley is reporting for the Sewer department. On May 15<sup>th</sup> Steve and Wes will be attending a IWRA Class for sludge drudge. The Wastewater Treatment Plant shows there was high flow due to excessive rainfall. Cameras came into James Street and proved there is lots of drainage. There was \$10,062.56 from four deposits last month. No residents are currently on the shut off list.

Trustee John Lonergan for cemetery reported one deed to be notarized. Steve bought one new toddler swing to try and the park before replacing the second swing. The park will also be placing a back board on the basketball court once one has been decided on.

Trustee Audrey Wardell for Parks & Property is reporting currently there are 3 t-ball teams to start the 2024 season. Jason Wardell has purchased supplies to start work on the ballpark bathrooms.

Trustee Audrey Wardell has read through the monthly bills. Trustee Kevin Braley made a motion to approve bills as read with John Lonergan second. Motion approved with all ayes.

Trustee Francis Fitzgerald reporting for the street department states a culvert near the water building is being replaced. Culverts have been cleaned. Patching materials have been ordered.

Public Safety & Ordinances has a new trustee, Mr. Mark Bartimus. Welcome!

Clerk has nothing new to report.

With nothing new to report, Trustee John Lonergan made a motion to adjourn with Francis Fitzgerald second. Motion approved with all ayes.

Gina Lonergan, Clerk