

The Murrayville Village Board met for their monthly meeting July 02, 2024. President Brian Saxer called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present at meeting were President Brian Saxer, Treasurer Rhonda Cors, Police Chief Derek Suttles, Treasurer Francis Fitzgerald, John Lonergan, Kevin Braley, Audrey Wardell, Mark Bartimus and Clerk Gina Lonergan.

The June 04, 2024, minutes were read. Trustee Kevin Braley made a motion to approve as read with Audrey Wardell second.

#### Open Floor:

1. Mark Bartimus was sworn in as a trustee. Mark will take over the trustee position covering Public Safety and Ordinances. Trustee Francis Fitzgerald made a motion to approve Mark Bartimus as Trustee for Public Safety & Ordinance until the next election. Trustee Kevin Braley made a second motion. Motion approved with all ayes.
2. Anthony Miller: Phase III Sewer Project. Anthony was unable to attend this meeting. The Agreement for Professional Services was read through. Trustee Kevin Braley made a motion to accept the agreement with the inclusion that it not exceed \$45,000 without the consent of the designated representative of the Village of Murrayville.
3. Details of Application from solicitors will be discussed with the Village Attorney.
4. Appropriations ordinance: Trustee John Lonergan made a motion to approve the Annual Appropriations Ordinance No 2024-01 with Audrey Wardell second. Motion approved with all ayes.
5. Fire Station: Review & Discuss rental agreement. The Village would like to know the updated status on beginning building of the new Fire Department as the company would begin after completing a business in Bluffs. Estimated time frame would be summer. President Saxer will be reaching out the Fire Department Board members and inviting them to the next months meeting.
6. Steve Kunz compensation for assisting Wes Anders. Steve has been assisting Wes in daily maintenance work as needed. Steve does need to be back paid and will need to submit hours in the future. It has been agreed to pay Steve \$25 an hour for this part time work.
7. Ordinance books for Staff & Trustees have been distributed. There is also an extra in the closet f the meeting room.
8. Donation to Reese Lowery & parents. Trustee Kevin Braley made motion to donate \$500 thru a donation bank account for the continuing expense of the Lowery family, second by Francis Fitzgerald. Motion approved with all ayes.

Police Chief Derek Suttles reported for the Murrayville-Woodson Police Department. There were six traffic stops with one citation. On June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Detective Broaddus served Nathaniel Anderson a Letter of No Trespass at the request of Murrayville Fast Stop Management. Anderson, according to FS staff, stole \$18 worth of gasoline. There are currently 32 community vehicle registrations. Chief Suttles would like to discuss options of a possible ordinance for ATV/UTV/Go Karts.

Treasure Rhonda Cors presented the account balances for July. There are four CD's due to mature in July. Village of Murrayville, Picnic Fund, Cemetery Perpetual Care and Cemetery Care. These will renew for

the next five months. The athletic account balances will need to be reevaluated for the 2025 season. Trustee Francis Fitzgerald made a motion to move \$15,000 from the Sewer Receipt to Sewer Money Market accounts with John Lonergan second. Motion approved with all ayes. Trustee John Lonergan made motion to approve moving \$5,000 from the Cemetery account to a CD with Kevin Braley second. Motion approved with all ayes. Trustee Audrey Wardell made a motion to approve the treasure report with Kevin Braley second. Motion approved with all ayes.

Trustee Kevin Braley reported for the sewer department. There were four deposits totaling \$10,592.74 for July. There are five residents on the shut off list. As it is only July 02<sup>nd</sup>, Steve does not have a report yet for the Wastewater Treatment.

Trustee John Lonergan is reporting for the cemetery. Ron Edwards and Mike Neal have both been approached regarding the bridge in the park needing to be removed for replacement. Currently both are unavailable.

Trustee Audrey Wardell 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 Audrey Wardell reported for Parks & Property. Many things need improvement at the ball fields. Backboards are falling apart, storage shed doors are not strong and could easily be broken through, bathrooms need updated and the pole lights. Big Brother Big Sister will be using the parks around July 23<sup>rd</sup>. The village will waive the fees for power and water usage. Padlocks & keys for the lagoon will be given to We:

Trustee Francis Fitzgerald reports for streets that they are scheduling for the streets to be oiled and rocked before school starts.

Mark Bartimus has now filled the roll for Public Safety & Ordinance.

Clerk Gina Lonergan had nothing to report.

President Saxer has stated the Christmas Party is tentative to take place at K's Creek. At last count there should be a total of 23 guest.

With nothing left to report, Trustee Kevin Braley made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk Gina Lonergan