

The Murrayville Village Board met for their monthly meeting on November 06, 2024. President Brian Saxer called the meeting to order followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were President Brian Saxer, Police Chief Derek Suttles, Treasurer Rhonda Cors, Trustees John Lonergan, Kevin Braley, Audrey Wardell, with Guest Rachel Pennel. Absentees Trustee Mark Bartimus and Clerk Gina Lonergan.

The October 01, 2024, minutes were read. Trustee Audrey Wardell made a motion to approve minutes as read with Francis Fitzgerald second. Motion was approved with all a yes.

Open Floor

1. President Brian Saxer announced Board Members and employees Christmas party at Evandy's Boatel 12-06-2024.

2. Murrayville Gaming and Liquor license and fee's due. Brian contacted F.S on Sept. 24, 2024, and F.S fees are paid. Ed's gaming License is missing, but liquor license fees were paid and confirmed. President Brian Saxer expressed to board members needing a full-time office employee to keep track on daily business.

3. Murrayville Ordinance Violation President Brian Saxer expressed the need to address and get updates on violations. Chief of Police Derek Suttles and Trustee Mark Bartimus will be involved with addressing the issues. Properties mentioned Richard Mitchell, Gary Boltons vacant house, Bill Blakes, Casey Klines. Attorney Allen Yow will be asked to send notices of issues to residents in the next few months to ask for compliances.

4. Animal control, President Brian Saxer contacted Mike Wankel and Morgan County Animal commissions. Mike Wankel didn't remember talking to Brian about asking for a copy of agreement for services provided for the \$1,600.00 yearly fee. Mike Wankel and Morgan County animal commissions could not provide one. The Murrayville Board Members have agreed to not pay Morgan County Animal Control until further notice.

5. Village Employee's wages and salaries.

Wes Anders has been employed for 6 months President Brian Saxer is asking for raise from \$20.00/ hr. to \$22.00/ hr. for good performance. With an additional 5% \$1.10/ hr. the first of the 2025 physical year making Wes wage \$23.10/hr. Passed with all yes, John Lonergan, Audrey Wardell, Francis Fitzgerald, Kevin Braley, Brian Saxer.

Stacie Saxer 2025 5% yearly raises \$0.95/hr. to \$17.45/hr. Approved with all yes, 1st motion Kevin Braley, 2nd motion Francis Fitzgerald, Audrey Wardell, Kevin Braley. Abstained from vote Brian Saxer.

Police Chief Derek Suttles is presenting for the Police Department.

Treasurer Rhonda Cors is reporting the monthly account balances. Change of Bank ownership mid-month from First National Bank of Beardstown to Petefish Skiles. Two C/D's rolling over this month and a new larger lock box. Moved \$2,982.74 MFT to General fund and \$23,429.00 from sewer to General fund. Motion to Approve 1st Kevin Braley, 2nd Audrey Wardell.

Trustee Kevin Braley reports for the Sewer department. There were 6 on Sept. 2024 shut off list. New copy of sewer report given to Anthony Miller and the latest sewer rate ordinances. Anthony was asked if the village board paid off one of our EPA loans will it lower the projected rate hike for phase 3? Anthony said "Yes" it could save a monthly minimum rate hike to our already \$27.00 a month minimum sewer rate. Motion to take sewer OTM to pay off phase 1 Sewer Dept for \$82,550.63. 1st motion Kevin Braley, 2nd motion Francis Fitzgerald, Audrey Wardell, John Lonergan,

Brian Saxer. Approved with all yeses. Kevin Braley will contact Anthony Miller with Hutchinson Engineering to continue with phase 3.

Trustee John Lonergan reports for the cemetery. John reported a Ledger Stone needed repaired. John will get with Wes Anders to power a new top and clean up grave area.

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 a yes.

Trustee Audrey Wardell is reporting on parks and property. Audrey reported batting net was taken down. All else looks good.

Trustee Francis Fitzgerald is reporting on city streets. Francis stated nothing to report.

With nothing new to report, Trustee John Lonergan made a motion to adjourn with Kevin Braley second. Motion approved with all a yes.

Minutes taken by trustee John Lonergan and transferred to this document by Village President Brian Saxer.