

Regular Meeting      Village Hall      Monday, July 7, 2025      7:00 pm

The regular meeting of the Village Board opened with Mayor Riley Goodwin presiding. Trustees present were Roy Dean Dickey, Kenneth (Butch) Chandler, Todd Kinzel, Chris Klingeman and Laura McMahon. John Baker and Jennifer Nuernberger, Village Clerk were absent.

Dave Schneidewind-Village Attorney, Laura Ottens-Police Chief and Charlie Heyl-Building and Zoning were also present.

Mayor Riley Goodwin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors present were Jeremiah Sieber, Teresa Holloway, Donna Hildebrandt, Julie Seymour-Conaway and Mike Trotter-County Journal.

Donna Hildebrandt talked about the corner of her street (W Marissa St) has not been maintained for 15 years. She talked about the fire hydrant being hard to find, the culvert, mosquitos and it being all grown up. She lives at 1023 N Park. The cell tower people are having trouble getting through there because they don't plow the beginning of the street.

Jeremiah talked about his recent problem with his wife getting attacked by a dog on June 29<sup>th</sup>. He feels like Animal Control isn't doing his job. Same dogs are always out and he's not issuing citations. He feels people should be able to walk without getting attacked by dogs running loose. The Village is liable if something happens. He also wanted an update on the derelict vehicles and grass being mowed in his neighborhood. Butch said that code was working on it. Jeremiah said it hasn't changed since he has been coming to the board meetings.

A motion was made by Laura and seconded by Roy Dean to approve the previous meeting minutes June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Motion passed with roll call as follows: Roy Dean-yes, Kenneth-yes, John-absent, Todd-yes, Chris-yes, Laura-yes.

A motion was made by Butch and seconded by Todd to approve the June 16, 2025, the Streets and Alley Committee Minutes. Motion passed with roll call as follows: Roy Dean-yes, Kenneth-yes, John-absent, Todd-yes, Chris-yes, Laura-yes.

A motion was made by Roy Dean and seconded by Chris to approve the June 24, 2025, the Planning and Development Committee minutes. Motion passed with roll call as follows: Roy Dean-yes, Kenneth-yes, John-absent, Todd-yes, Chris-yes, Laura-yes.

No correspondence.

Roy Dean did not have a report.

Butch would like to have the ordinance changed that there should be a tracer wire put on replacement water lines and new water lines. He also would like it to be changed that you have to have a licensed plumber to do a tap in. David will draw up something for the next meeting for these changes. Butch would also like it to be changed that modular and double wide homes can be rented and not only owner occupied. David suggested that they take it to the Zoning. Butch will meet with David to give details.

Butch reported for John. John said it is a huge deal to move the gas tanks from the old street shed to the new shed. There is an electric pole that needs moved to the new shed that has the storm sirens on it and the cellular water meter reading on it.

Butch said July yard of the month went to Jessica Scaggs-Moore.

Todd had no report.

Chris had no report.

Laura reported that the Planning and Development Committee met in reference to the Fast Track Peddler's License and the committee decided that it wasn't beneficial to the town to change this. The animal clinic will be held on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. The timer lights at the park have been fixed.

Charlie reported that the South Main Trailer Park had changed ownership to Ozark Community. A lady that lives in the park runs it. He said some of the skirting on the trailers they moved in have already blown off. Charlie has only done roof solar panels so far. They tell residents that the permits are ready when they haven't even paid their fees and permits haven't filed with the County. County does all electrical inspections.

#### Old Business:

Some discussion was held on the swimming pool ordinance. Butch asked if he would have to put a fence back up since he took his down. They are going to check with the County and the State before any changes will be made. This will be tabled until next meeting.

The Fast Track Peddler's Permit was discussed. The committee met and they decided it was not beneficial to the Village. It died for a lack of a motion.

#### New Business:

Mayor Goodwin discussed the bids he received for the flooring at Village Hall. Duck & Son, INC. from Mascoutah included a floor prep bid depending on what they found when they removed the old flooring. They also received another bid from ics construction services.

The floors are uneven. After much discussion they decided to check into it some more before they made a decision. This will be tabled until next meeting.

Consideration for Return to Work Program was discussed. Butch made a motion and Chris second to approve. Chris asked if it included part time employees too. The Village Insurance is requiring this. David is going to call the insurance and get more information. Butch withdrew his motion. It will be tabled until next meeting.

A motion was made by Laura and seconded by Chris to consider a Business License for Cottonwood RNG LLC/Opal Fuels Renewable Natural Gas Plant. Butch and Charlie checked on the location of this site. Motion passed with roll call as follows: Roy Dean-yes, Kenneth-yes, John-absent, Todd-yes, Chris-yes, Laura-yes.

Consideration for a Solicitor's License for Gert Loos died for a lack of a motion.

Consideration for the Pipeline Right of Way Agreement got tabled after some discussion.

Attorney Schneidewind said that the Grocery Tax was going to end statewide at the end of the year which is 1%. The Village needs to decide if they want to continue this and pass a Grocery Tax by October 31st.

Charlie said he should probably have a badge id for Building and Zoning for the right to enter.

Roy Dean said that S Main has been cleaning up the burnt house. The house on Glenn and Grace are at a standstill.

A motion was made by Roy Dean and seconded by Todd to adjourn at 8:13 pm. Motion passed. 5-ayes, 0-nayes, 1-absent (John).