

Village of Joy
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Joy Village Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday March 20, 2024 by Village President Larry Hunt. The meeting was held at Village Hall, 200 West Main Street, Joy, IL.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll was called by Village President Larry Hunt.

Trustees present: Kristy Lee, Paul Hampton, Patsy Peterson, Jason Huston, Noah Livermore, Rory Conway
Gwen Pritchett-Village Clerk was present.

Public Present-Josh Hicks, Brian Glasgow

Brian Glasgow/ION addressed the Joy Village Board. ION began working at the Village of Joy at the end of 2022. Nitrate samples were missed between old operator and ION. Last month a letter was sent out by mail to each resident to notify them of the missed samples. Recently a Nitrate sample was taken and there is no result back yet.

Recently there were power flickers. Pumps were reset.

Lead and Copper samples have been taken and sent in.

A transformer blew over by the Joy Park causing the power at the treatment plant to flicker. Generators are all working good. Village President will let Brian Glasgow know when the generators will be serviced.

Brian Glasgow left the meeting at 5:38 p.m.

ATV discussion: Resident that had questions about ATV rules and regulation was not present at the meeting. ATV operators must have proof of insurance, horn, lights, rearview mirror, flag, turning signals and be at least 18 years old in the Village of Joy.

Prosperity Group: Was not present at the meeting.

Local Cure funds can be spent by doesn't have to. Village President Larry Hunt asked if the trustees had any ideas for use of the Local Cure Funds.

Joshua Hicks asked if the Local Cure money can be used to located curb stops. Village Trustee Noah Livermore discussed, if you want the located curb stops to be on the actual map, you have to hire a professional.

Village President said the money does not have to be spent. Village Trustee Paul Hampton asked if part of the money can be used to purchase tools for the Maintenance Dept. Village President Larry Hunt will check prices at Harbor Freight. A new toolbox and power tools were also discussed.

The old folding chairs that are stored in the Village Hall garage were discussed. The chairs are old, rusty and in very bad condition. The chairs were donated to the Village of joy by the original Community Club. Village President Larry Hunt offered the chairs to the Village Board of Trustees. If the chairs are not wanted by the Trustees, they will be hauled away for scrap.

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Village Employee Josh Hicks has been cleaning and hauling scrap. Currently to date a total of \$683.60 has been collected for scrap. Josh Hicks stated, current price for scrapping brass is \$2.32 per pound at D & T. Brass breakage is \$1.18 per pound.

Out East, one dirt pile will be moved. The flag and ladder from the old water tower is out there and will be used for display of some kind and will be hopefully in view of highway 17.

Village Trustee Larry Hunt discussed the letters that have recently been sent out to residents that have vehicles that need current plates or that are inoperable. It was discussed to send out a final letter to the one group and give them a March 31, 2024 deadline to comply or fines will begin on April 1, 2024.

After discussion Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to start the \$75 fine per ordinance #10, Series 2019 to those who are non-complaint. Rory Conway 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Patsy Peterson-yes, Jason Huston-yes, Noah Livermore-yes, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a unanimous "Yes" vote.

There are photos of most of the vehicles. Village Trustee Paul Hampton discussed the possibility of having a police officer run the expired plates in question. The trustees also discussed sending a final letter with a date that fines will begin. Will discuss the issue with the Village Attorney.

The 2012 White Chevy 1500, Village of Joy work truck needs a new left ball joint. Main Street Tire & Lube submitted a proposal for \$257.00. After review and discussion, Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to approve the Main Street Tire and Lube proposal. Patsy Peterson 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Patsy Peterson-yes, Jason Huston-yes, Noah Livermore-yes, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a unanimous "Yes" vote.

After review and discussion, Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to pass and approve Resolution #1, 2024 A Resolution of Village of Joy adopting the 2023 Mercer County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. Rory Conway 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Patsy Peterson-yes, Jason Huston-yes, Noah Livermore-yes, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a unanimous "Yes" vote. There are grants available through FEMA that can be applied for only if the resolution is passed.

After review and discussion, Village Trustee Rory Conway made the motion to pass and approve the February 21, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Noah Livermore 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Patsy Peterson-yes, Jason Huston- Noah Livermore-yes, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a unanimous "YES" vote.

After review and discussion, Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to pass and approve the March 2024 paid expenditures. Kristy Lee 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Patsy Peterson-yes, Jason Huston-yes, Noah Livermore-yes, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a unanimous "YES" vote.

Balance Sheet and P&L reviewed and discussed.

Delinquent account list was reviewed and discussed.

The 2024 Street Project was discussed. RBI money will be used. Available RBI funds = \$27,481.92

Village Trustee Paul Hampton had a meeting with Joe from Taylor Ridge Paving to look at the streets and discuss the

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2024 project. Joe will come to town after a rain to see what the needs truly are.

Village Trustee Noah Livermore suggested using spray patch in the alligator cracks.

VOJ -grinding, oil chips. Meller Excavating has been called and Village of Joy is on their schedule.

Taylor Ridge has a small grinder that can do small sections.

Village Trustee Noah Livermore will call Langeman Construction to request milling from the HWY 17 project.

Will contact ACE In the Hole and Scotts Spray patch for prices.

Will contact John Retherford about cold patch.

Village Trustee Noah Livermore explained it takes around 3 months for IDOT to approve a project. A plan needs to be submitted as soon as possible. RBI money can be used for spray patch.

If the Village of Joy is able to get the millings, they may be stored out East where the old dirt pile was. Village Trustee Rory Conway suggesting piling millings on the west side of the dumpsite.

Spray patch prices will be discussed at the April meeting.

After discussing, Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to approve the purchase of the plow truck, 2014 Ford F350 from Essig Motors for \$40,338.00. Paul Hampton 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Patsy Peterson-yes, Jason Huston-yes, Noah Livermore-yes, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a unanimous "Yes" vote.

Mercer County High Schools request for a donation was discussed. No vote was taken. No donation

USDA Rural Development's notice for interest and payment was reviewed and discussed. The amount needed will be transferred so the automatic payment can be made. Payment total due is \$47,503.75 on May 1, 2024.

Addition to the Agenda: Village Trustee Paul Hampton discussed taking down Christmas decorations. He wondered if it could be done on good Friday. Josh will no be a work on Good Friday because Village of Joy employees get that day off. A different day will be planned to take down the decorations.

Josh Stead inquired about the location for water and sewer hook up on the land he purchased at 100 W. Main Street, Joy. Village of Joy will work on locating the utilities. If it is necessary to cross either Washington or Main Streets, Josh Stead would like to have that completed before streetwork starts, so streets don't have to be disturbed.

Village of Joy employee, Josh Hicks said there is a tree in the Joy Park that needs to be cut down. Village President Larry Hunt will take a look at the tree. Josh also contacted Mike Defrieze in New Boston about jetting May/Washington Street sewer. So far that has not been done.

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Village President Larry Hunt will get quotes for electrical work at the park and christmas lighting.

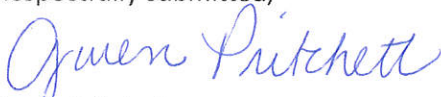
Village of Joy is still interested in Aledo's jetter.

There are no updates on 100 E. May Street, house demo.

Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. Kristy Lee 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Patsy Peterson-yes, Jason Huston-yes, Noah Livermore-yes, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a unanimous "Yes" vote.

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gwen Pritchett
Joy Village Clerk