

Village of Joy
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Joy Village Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday October 16, 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

Village Clerk Gwen Pritchett-present

Public Present-Josh Hicks, Brian Glasgow

Brian Glasgow addressed the Village Board – The work will begin on the lift station soon. The parts have been on back order but are in now. Generators will be serviced on October 21.

The water hydrants were flushed by Josh Hicks. Brian showed Josh what to do. Village Trustee Paul Hampton asked Brian about the strong chlorine smell in the water. Village Trustee Kristy Lee has noticed the strong chlorine smell too. Brian will turn down the chlorine before he leaves town tonight. The smell should get better in a week. The strong smell may be due to recently flushing the hydrants. Brian left the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

Village President Larry Hunt- Village of Joy recently purchased the jetter from the City of Aledo. CJ from the City of Aledo will be contacted to get a little training. Brad Weeks will also be contacted for what areas in town that need to be jetted.

The new snow plow is in. Pools will put it together and hopefully be calling us to pick it up next week.

After review and discussion, Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to approve the September 18, 2024 Regular Board Minutes. Roy 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 passed with a unanimous “yes” vote.

After review and discussion, Village Trustee Rory Conway made the motion to approve the October 2024 paid expenditures. Noah Livermore 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.

September 2024 P&L and Balance sheet was reviewed with no discussion.

Delinquent accounts were reviewed and discussed.

The upcoming Tax Levy was discussed. Village President Larry Hunt asked that the trustees reconsider their decision to not raise the levy as usual. The topic was discussed with no changes.

Additions to the agenda:

The insurance for the Police Department will cost the Village of Joy and additional \$2,500. The regular insurance

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increase for 2024-2025 is \$500.00. After review and discussion Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to approve option #1/In Full Payment Amount for Village Insurance \$26,609.73 to Risk Management Association Insurance. Rory Conway 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Pat Peterson-yes, Jason Huston-yes, Noah Livermore-yes, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a unanimous "Yes" vote.

Mercer County Better Together is requesting \$465.00 donation. After discussion the trustees decided not to donate this year. No vote was taken.

Village Employee Joshua Hicks discussed the need for a map for all curb stops. It is very difficult to determine where they are if they are older and not on the map. Village President Larry Hunt said the issue will be checked into. Village Trustee Patsy Peterson thanked Josh Hicks for fixing her curb stop.

Village Trustee Noah Livermore asked Josh Hick to ask CJ to show him how to use the locator when he comes to Joy for jetter training.

After review and discussion, Village Trustee Noah Livermore to approve the \$2,400 Pauley Construction for tree removal proposal with the exception of stump removal. 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.

After discussion on stump grinding, Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to approve C&C Grinding/Frank Cole to remove 3 tree stumps for \$250.00. 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.

After review and discussion, Village Trustee Paul Hampton made the motion to approve Altorfer Proposal for \$7,324.63 to continuing the back hoe repairs. Kristy Lee 2nd the motion. The following vote was taken: Kristy Lee-yes, Paul Hampton-yes, Patsy Peterson-yes, Jason Huston-yes, Noah Livermore-no, Rory Conway-yes. The motion was passed with a 5-yes, 1-no vote. The Village of Joy will request and adjustment to the invoice after the back hoe has been repaired.

Village Trustee's Rory Conway and Noah Livermore suggested trading in the Village of Joy's current back hoe in on a different piece of equipment that can be worked on easier. It was discussed to at least look into other options.

Village Employee Joshua Hicks said the John Deere needs a new back tire.
The JD hydraulic cylinders are not repaired yet.

Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to transfer \$13,227.50 from W/S Water System acct# #97485 to W/S Project Loan acct. #2442574 to cover the interest payment of USDA loans 91-02, 91-04. 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.

Discussed RBI funds. They have to be allocated by a certain date (July 1, 2025) or they will be lost. Debra Baxter will be contacted to see if they funds can also be used for sidewalks and ditches.

Village Trustee Noah Livermore discussed issues out east with the piles of millings and asphalt.
Hwy 17 project should be complete in a couple weeks.

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Village Trustee Paul Hampton discussed new tire chains for both trucks. Paul suggested purchasing good quality chains that will last longer.

It was also discussed to chains on the equipment tires. Village Trustee Rory Conway voiced his concerns over chains possible tearing up the roads that the Village of Joy just put money into.

Village Trustee wants chains to be on the white pickup.

Village Trustee Rory Conway gave the Village of Joy a set of chains. Joshua Hick will try to locate those chains.

At 6:42 p.m., Village Trustee Noah Livermore made the motion to adjourn the meeting. 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.

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Gwen Pritchett
Joy Village Clerk