BOARD OF TRUSTEES VILLAGE OF WARDSVILLE MEETING MINUTES April 02, 2025 1825 ALBERT PLACE COMMUNITY BUILDING 6:30 P.M.

The Board of Trustees may enter Closed Session at any time during the meeting upon a majority vote of the Board of Trustees under Section 610.021 RSMo for issues pertaining to personnel, real estate, possible litigation and/or to receive advice of counsel.

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Board Chairman Bill Gratz, those present were William (Bill) Gratz, Paul Stonner, Co-Chairman, Rick Taube Treasurer, Brian Schrimpf, Board Member and Rachel Busche Board Member. Bill certified a quorum was present. In attendance were, Libby Chipman, Village Clerk David Bandre' Village Legal Counsel, Gary Frank Village Maintenance Supervisor, Don Welch Planning and Zoning Chairman, and distinctive guest were Jon Stanbaugh, Jack Fisher, and Wayne Bernskoetter, all citizens of Wardsville.

#### Dave Bandre' was early,,,,,\*\*\*\*\*\*6:15 p.m.

The minutes from March 05, 2025, were approved, the motion to approve made by Rachel Busche seconded by Paul Stonner, and the motion carried unanimously.

Paul Stonner made a motion to accept the financials presented by Libby, Brain Schrimpf seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously and financials were approved.

#### **Guests:**

### Jack Fischer from Knights of Columbus

Jack said that he felt we were signaling out the Knights, and Dave Bandre' assured him along with Bill Gratz, that is not the case. We send numerous letters out pertaining to clean up each year. He spoke about the ditch, and Dave explained, the trees were not an issue, that the ordinance pertained to tall grass, and that the grass had to be cut regardless of the type, the ordinance is specific to 12 inches, and that is what they must comply with. The other clean up Dave gave them a 15-day extension, and Wayne Bernskoetter said he would do the best he could do get all done by the time limit.

### **Report from Chairman Bill Gratz**

Bill said that next Tuesday was election, and said that 6521 Rt W, needs a letter about cleaning up. Will send this information to Dave Bandre' after Gary gets pictures. Bill said that he had spoken to Cole County Abstract, Randy Knoester regarding the easements for the Village on Falcon Lane, he is researching and will get back with the Village.

### **Report by Paul Stonner**

Nothing to Report

### **Report by Rick Taube**

Nothing to Report

## **Report by Brian Schrimpf**

Brian said that he understood that Falcon Lane is progressing and was just waiting for the Easement documents to be signed by the Blair Oaks School Board next week and sent back to us.

Brian said he got a complaint about a woman parking of VanLoo Lane near the stop sign and guard rail. Gary will check out, said that there were no parking signs, but will verify that this is correct.

### **Report by Rachel Busche**

Rachel said she received a verbal complaint regarding a cow in the back yard at 1604 Fawn Court, and Gary will take pictures, I will send to Dave Bandre' as soon as I get verification that this is so.

# **Report from David Bandre'**

Dave said that he had gotten the information from the Federal Government regarding Covid monies and verified that they were just sending them to everyone, and that yes, they have received all the Villages complete forms, nothing needs to be done.

# **Report from Gary Frank**

Gary asked if we have anything that needs to be repaired or overlaid as the County is doing some work next week and would include in their work and save us some money. At this time the Board said nothing was to be done.

# **Report from Don Welch**

Don Welch had received a call from Barry Gipe in regards to the curb at 7812 Deer Haven, it is completely destroyed as per the pictures, the resident is putting in new driveway, and the board voted to have his contractor do the curb as long as it was under \$5,000, Brian Schrimpf made this motion and Rick Taube seconded, it was unanimously for him to get it done and the Village would reimburse him. Don will talk to Barry regarding this.

# Report from Libby Chipman/Village Clerk

Libby spoke about the Sheriff calls and the report that we were supposed to receive the next day from Kyle, and that she had emailed him a few times, with absolutely no response. Dave Bandre' will reach out to the Sheriff himself to see if we are going to receive these reports monthly.

Libby updated with the email on Falcon Lane from Brian Williams, provided the Blair Oaks School Board signs the agreements, they have the advertising set for April 11, 2025, Prebid at the Village Hall on April 23, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., Bid Opening will be on May 02, 2025 until 12:00 p.m., bids read aloud at 1:00 p.m., the bid will be awarded at the Regular Village Board meeting on May 07, 2025. They have met with Three Rivers and see no issues, the other little issues Brian said they are dealing with now.

Libby spoke about changing the website, wanted the office to have more control over the posting on it, spoke about the company that she would like to go with, which is Municipal Impact out of Arlington Texas. The initial cost would be about \$1,600.00, with the yearly cost of \$1,045.00, which is \$87.08 or \$95.00 a month if paid monthly. This would save us \$180.00 to \$188.00 a month, after initial set up cost, and we would have total posting control on the website. We do own our domain name. Bill Gratz asked that I reach out to the other communities here in the state that use this company and get emails or letters regarding how they like them. Dave Bandre' ask that I ask for a copy of the contract before we sign it. Calvin, that does our IT, is also doing something with the domain.

**Old Business** 

None

New Business

None

### **Payment of Bills**

Rick Taube made a motion to approve paying the bills, Brian Schrimpf seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Paul Stonner made a motion that we close the meeting, Rachel Busche second, motion carried unanimously, meeting closed at 7:35 p.m.

### MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON MAY 07, 2025

Respectfully submitted

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Libby Chipman Village Clerk

