

Village of Goodfield

BOARD MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting – September 19, 2024

President Hank Melton called the regular board meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Roll call showed the following board members present: Terry Nohl, Matt Ginder, Todd Perry, Roger Mullins and Terri Kuebler. Also present: Attorney Mike Gifford, Engineer Dave Brown, PWA Josh Nohl, Clerk Sheri Martin 3 visitors.

Absent were Trustee Matt Ginder, Engineer Duane Yockey and Treasurer Emily Zobrist.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Citizens Request and Input -

Marvin Kuebler, Deer Lakes, asked if President Melton was able to talk to Dietrich's about the weeds out behind their house/Tazwood Industrial Park. Hank did not get ahold of them.

Marvin asked who enforces the by-laws of the Village. It is the Village Board. Marvin also asked why the Village does spray patching in the fall. He said when it's done in the fall then the snow plow just pushes it off into the ditch.

Police Report

Chief Lally was absent, but the Police Report was in the packet. First police report was written on a stolen purse. Also included in the packet was a thank you letter to the Police Dept. regarding the stolen purse. Other items of interest are framing and drywall are completed at the PD, Ragan Communications is in process of finishing the squad car, October date set for installation of Axon squad camera and ordered traffic citations, notices to appear & city ordinance violation citations.

President Melton and the Board commended Chief Lally on doing a good job.

Meeting Minutes

08-15-24 Regular Board Meeting

09-16-24 Park Committee Meeting

Motion made by Nohl, seconded by Mullins to approve both sets of minutes. Motion passed with the following roll call vote: Nohl – yes, Perry – yes, Mullins – yes, Kuebler – yes and Melton – yes.

Treasurer's Report

Motion was made by Kuebler, seconded by Melton to approve the Treasurer's Report as amended to the warrants dated September 19, 2024. Motion passed with the following roll call vote: Nohl – yes, Perry – yes, Mullins – yes, Kuebler – yes and Melton – yes.

Warrants/Accounts Payable

Motion was made by Mullins, seconded by Kuebler to approve the payment of bills as listed on warrants dated:

08-16-24	\$ 9,138.00
08-19-24	\$11,831.04
08-30-24	\$29,426.70
09-18-24	\$ 8,398.24
09-18-24	\$59,707.24

Motion passed with the following roll call vote: Nohl – yes, Perry – yes, Mullins – yes, Kuebler – yes and Melton – yes.

Transfers

Motion was made by Mullins, seconded by Nohl to approve the following transfers:

- \$52,886.25 from O&M Checking to General Fund Checking
- \$ 0.00 from General Fund Money Market to General Fund Checking
- \$24,000.00 from General Fund Money Market to Building Fund Money Market
- \$ 0.00 from O&M Checking to O&M Money Market
- \$60,000.00 from O&M Money Market to Bond Repayment Fund
- \$ 0.00 from TIF Fund to General Fund Checking
- \$ 0.00 from Bond Repayment Fund to General Fund Checking
- \$15,000.00 from O&M Money Market to O&M Depreciation Fund
- \$43,800.00 from General Fund Checking to Police Fund
- \$30,000.00 from General Fund Money Market to Equipment Depreciation Fund

Motion passed with the following roll call vote: Nohl – yes, Perry – yes, Mullins – yes, Kuebler – yes and Melton – yes.

Payment of outstanding invoices upon request of Village Engineer

There were no outstanding invoices.

PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATOR/VILLAGE ENGINEER REPORT

PWA Nohl said dredging started this week. It is going well. Sludge is consolidating in the tube well. They are hoping to get lagoon 2 in one GEO bag. They may go to lagoon 1 and fill the 2nd tube.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT/DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Nothing discussed.

SEWER TREATMENT PLANT/COLLECTION SYSTEM

Nothing discussed.

SANITARY SEWER COLLECTION SYSTEM ISSUES

Nothing discussed.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney will discuss items on agenda.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Melton informed the Board the campground sale is still on going. They have had some issues, but all have been addressed. They will possibly be closing on the sale in November.

Hank also asked everyone to put the word out the Fire Department is having a breakfast fundraiser on October 12 from 6-10a.m. Fire Department is still looking for volunteers!

OLD BUSINESS

Ingress/Egress Easement for Sanitary Sewer Trunk Main

Nothing discussed.

Discussion on proposed revisions to Village Code

Should set a Special Board Meeting to review code. Sheri will email possible dates out. Engineer Brown encouraged the Board that as you are considering changes – keep the subdivision code in your mind also.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Development of a Goodfield Police Dept.

Nothing discussed.

Timberline Road Improvements & Right of Way

Nothing discussed. In process.

West Robinson Street Improvement

This project is in process. Engineer Brown said they now have plans returned back to IDOT. Plans approved for construction. We will be bidding out after the 1st of the year, but need to wait for new standards to come out after the 1st of the year.

Donation for New Playground Equipment at Park

This was covered in the Park Committee minutes.

2025 Consolidated Election

Petitions can be circulating now. Filing period is November 12-18, 2024.

Anyone interested in getting petitions please contact Clerk Sheri Martin.

NEW BUSINESS

Tax Abatement Ordinance – 2021 General Obligation Bonds – Ordinance 24-05

Motion made by Nohl, seconded by Mullins to approve Ordinance #24-05, an Ordinance abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2024 to pay the principle and interest on \$1,214,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021. Motion passed with the following roll call vote: Nohl – yes, Perry – yes, Mullins – yes, Kuebler – yes and Melton – yes.

Guard rail – Deer Lakes Drive

Barrels have been put up on Deer Lakes Drive across from the Tazwood Industrial work site. Trustee Kuebler asked if we need to put rock in the ditch so it doesn't erode. Josh will look at the plans. The Village does not have right of way. It is our road so we have the right to maintain the ditch. This is a safety issue and the Village could be liable if something happened. The guardrail has to be built by IDOT criteria. Engineer Brown has concern that the Village does not have right of way. Village needs to ask Attorney Gifford if the Village has the right to do this project to protect Village residents. Also need to look at subdivision plat. Engineer Brown said cost estimate for 150' of guard rail is \$20,000. Trustee Mullins asked why do we need a guardrail now, when the ditch has been there all along?

Motion made by Perry, seconded by Kuebler to allow Engineer Brown to send a survey crew out to get a comprehensive look at the grade. Motion passed with the following roll call vote: Nohl – yes, Perry – yes, Mullins – pass, Kuebler – yes and Melton – yes.

Building Inspector Back Up

PWA Nohl has been looking for an alternate Building Inspector for when Kris Swords's has a conflict of interest. Kris is a Project Manager for Blunier Builders. Josh talked to Phil Zobrist about being a backup Building Inspector only when Kris has a conflict. Phil will be paid the same as Kris.

Motion made by Nohl, seconded by Mullins to approve hiring Phil Zobrist as back up Building Inspector, with the same pay rate as current inspector. Motion passed with the following roll call vote: Nohl – yes, Perry – yes, Mullins – yes, Kuebler – yes and Melton – yes.

Set Trick or Treat Hours

Trick or Treat will be Thursday, October 31st from 5 to 8 p.m.

Schedule Committee Meetings

Need to set Special Board Meeting to review code. Also need to set a Streets & Alleys Committee meeting.

Municipal Calendar

Completed.

Other Business

Engineer – None.

Public Works Administrator – None.

Trustees

Nohl – None.

Ginder – Absent.

Perry – None.

Mullins – In regard to Mr. Kuebler's question regarding who maintains rules and regulations of Goodfield, Roger informed him when you receive a complaint regarding weeds, burning, expired license plates, etc. you have to go talk to the person and if that doesn't work, then send a letter. If that doesn't work then you send a violation notice and if that doesn't work then you have to get the Village attorney involved. Now with our own Police Department it should be a little easier to correct these things.

Kuebler – Terri wants something done with the weeds at Tazwood Industrial. A letter will be sent to Dietrich's.

Clerk – None.

Treasurer – Absent.

Next Board Meeting October 17, 2024.

Adjournment

Motion for adjournment was made by Kuebler, seconded by Nohl. Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheri Martin
Village Clerk

Approved by the Village Board on _____.