

**VILLAGE OF AVISTON
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON:
MONDAY AUGUST 7, 2023**

The regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was held on Monday August 7, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall. In attendance were Village President Mike Kampwerth, Village Treasurer Steve Goestenkers, Village Clerk Jennifer Jansen, Trustees Matt Kohnen, Curt Albers, Kim Peek, Matt Netemeyer, and Kyle Markus. Employees present included Gary Rakers, Mike Kuhl, Dave Trame, and Village Attorney Chad Leitch. Guests present included Mike Engel with the Zoning Board, Alek Sopiars (Clearwave), Stricler Denison (Clearwave), Doug Ratermann with HMG, Pat Netemeyer with Netemeyer Engineering, Scott Gebke, Nathan Colombo (Clearwave), Derek Parvin (Clearwave), Todd Krydyski, Dale Haukap and Delbert Riehn with Robinson Outdoor.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

1. GUESTS:

Delbert Riehn was present to discuss the possibility of a billboard on the north side of Rt. 50, where Aviston Family Restaurant was located. Riehn passed out some informational sheets for the Board to review and will follow up with Dave Trame in a couple of weeks.

Scott Gebke as present to discuss water flow and infiltration within the Village. Gary stated he will try to gather some data to forward to Scott.

Michael Sudholt and Todd Krydyski were present to discuss the drainage issues/flooding in Eastbrook Subdivision. Engineers and Board members stated they will review the areas and try to get a better idea on the drainage in that area.

A Clearwave team was present to review the restoration plan for Aviston and how that process will look. A crew will come in and comb the entire town for restoration. All teams will be clearly marked so there will be no mistake as to who they are and what they are doing.

2. MINUTES:

Minutes of the July meeting were available for review. A motion to approve the July meeting minutes was made by Matt Netemeyer, second by Kyle Markus. Motion carried 5-0.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Steve Goestenkers reviewed the monthly financial report. The Village collected \$190K and disbursed \$218K.

The monthly financial report notes are as follows:

– General Fund:

- 1) Noted Incomes and Sales taxes coming in higher than budgeted
- 2) Surplus of \$42K in the General Fund YTD
- 3) Large expenses included 3 pay periods and summer help

-Water Fund

- 1) Revenue on pace to hit \$586K
- 2) Noted a slight surplus with a YTD deficit

-Sewer Fund

- 1) On pace to hit \$288K
- 2) Large expense noted were electric and operating expenses
- 3) YTD surplus of \$20K

-MFT

- 1) On pace to receive \$100K and normal expenses noted

-TIF Funds

- 1) Misc. interest income noted as well as normal contractual expenses

-Park Fund

- 1) Normal receipts noted

A motion to approve the financial report and to pay all bills, including those normal monthly bills not yet received, was made by Kim Peek, second by Curt Albers. Motion carried 5-0.

4. POLICE REPORT:

-ORV Stickers – It was stated to add to the newsletter that those operating ORVs without stickers will start getting ticketed. There was also a discussion regarding several underage kids operating these vehicles. It is illegal and tickets may be issued for that offense as well.

-Property Maintenance – The Romine house is in the demolition process.

-RPIP – No new inspections

-Fine Schedule – This is currently on hold until September.

-Grant Updates – A grant has been applied for, for a thermal imaging camera. This is not a matching grant.

-Police Vehicle – Kuhl reviewed truck quotes. A motion to approve the purchase of a new truck and to add the splashguards(\$290) was made by Kyle Markus, second by Matt Netemeyer. Motion carried 5-0.

-CIL Update – The shed is being removed from the property and the fence will be installed, no longer needing a variance. Board discussed dead tree in this area as well as one on Redwood. It was stated that letters need to be sent to the property owners to get these removed.

-Church Picnic – Police stated there were no issues this year with the picnic. Discussed nuisance issues with grass clipping in the street.

-CAD – This should be ready in September.

-Crimestopper Golf Tourney – The Village will get a team together. Jenny will get the fee paid.

-Training – Kuhl will participate in a training in Vegas, paid for the by FOP and LeCroy will have detective training in O’Fallon this month.

A copy of the monthly report is in everyone’s packet for review.

5. PARK DISTRICT:

Park District meeting minutes were available for all to review.

-Resolution in Support of Park District Grant – The Resolution was present for review. A motion to approve Mike Kampwerth to sign was made by Kyle Markus, second by Matt Kohnen. Motion carried 5-0.

6. VILLAGE CLERK:

A copy of the report was available in everyone’s packet for review.

7. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Admin report was available for all to review

-Eagle Inn – It was stated that the Fire Marshall should be visiting this again soon as it has been approximately 1 year from the initial visit. It was also asked to put more pressure on the local fire chief to get things moving in the right direction.

-Stop Sign Ordinance/ Brefeld Lane/Schumacher Rd – A motion to approve the ordinance was made by Kim Peek, second by Matt Kohnen. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote as follows:

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| K. Eversgerd – absent | K. Peek - aye |
| M. Kohnen – aye | M. Netemeyer – aye |
| C. Albers – aye | K. Markus – aye. |

-Ordinance Amending Section 14-4, Government Uses within Districts – A motion to approve this ordinance, as presented, was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Kyle Markus. Motion carried 5-0 by roll call vote as follows:

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| K. Eversgerd – absent | K. Peek - aye |
| M. Kohnen – aye | M. Netemeyer – aye |
| C. Albers – aye | K. Markus – aye. |

8. CURRENT PROJECTS:

-Committee Reports – Matt Kohnen stated the Employee Committee will start meeting to review the Handbook as well as discuss a timeline for posting Gary’s job description.

-Aviston Family Restaurant – The Board discussed property maintenance for this piece of property. The Village will contact our attorney to get info to the Restaurant owners that the Village will hire a licensed/insured company to maintain this property and file a lien on said property if it is not maintained by owner.

9. ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Minutes of the Zoning Board meeting were in everyone’s packet for review. Dave will contact Matt Maple regarding moving his fence.

10. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

Gary discussed the sewer lift station maintenance contract and reviewed the quote presented. He stated that he believes the contract is needed and would recommend. A motion to approve the contract was made by Kim Peek, second by Matt Kohnen. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board also advised to hold off on rebuilding the old pump until this contract is in place. Street oiling will be done on August 11th and August 14th. Jenny will put an all call out as well as get in the newsletter.

Mike Kampwerth stated he has a thank you from Aviston Lumber for the assistance with Cleveland Street.

11. OLD BUSINESS:

-Crosswalk – Matt Kohnen asked if he could get permission to get an estimate on this. The Board approved the request.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

- Village Board meeting dates – Matt Netemeyer broached the subject of changing the meeting days in the future to accommodate having as many people present as possible. All members will review this and address this again in the future.

A motion to enter into closed session to discuss employees was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Curt Albers. Motion carried 5-0. Time was 8:56pm.

Discussed the resignation of Officer Little and the need for another officer as well as alternative options. Little's last day of employment will be August 20, 2023.

A motion to exit closed session was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Curt Albers. Motion carried 5-0 Time was 9:21pm.

Jenny will get an ad in the newsletter as well as the local papers advertising for a new officer.

A motion to adjourn was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Curt Albers. Motion carried 5-0. Time was 9: 23pm.

Jennifer Jansen, Village Clerk