

**VILLAGE OF AVISTON
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON:
MONDAY AUGUST 5, 2024**

The regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees was held on Monday August 5, 2024, at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall. In attendance were Village President Mike Kampwerth, Village Treasurer Steve Goestenkors, Village Clerk Jennifer Jansen, Trustees Matt Kohnen, Kim Peek, and Kyle Markus. Employees present included Mike Kuhl, Dave Trame, and Village Attorney Chad Leitch. Guests present included Nancy Woltering, Jeff Woltering, Robert Trunnell and Louis Keil.

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. GUESTS:

Robert Trunnell was present to discuss the sidewalk ramps that were recently replaced along Aviston Albers Road. Trunnell stated he doesn't believe the curb as is, is safe for pedestrians and would like to know how this can be fixed. Mike Kampwerth and Dave Trame stated they would have a discussion with the County regarding the concerns and report back on the findings.

2. MINUTES:

Minutes of the previous meetings were available for all to review. A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from July 1st was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Kim Peek. Motion carried 3-0. A motion to approve the special meeting minutes of July 16th was made by Kim Peek, second by Kyle Markus. Motion carried 3-0.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Steve reviewed the financial report for July. Collected \$201K and disbursed \$121K.

The monthly financial report notes are as follows:

– General Fund:

- 1) YTD surplus of \$35K and noted a slight increase in revenue. Largest expense noted was garbage collection.

-Water Fund

- 1) YTD the Village is at 26% of our budget and a net deficit of \$26K

-Sewer Fund

- 1) YTD the Village is at 24% of our budget. Large operating expense noted was in operating expense.

-MFT

- 1) Revenue is at about \$25% of the budget.

-TIF Funds

- 1) Interest collected in July.

A motion to approve the financial report and to pay all bills, including those normal monthly bills not yet received, was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Kim Peek. Motion carried 3-0.

4. POLICE REPORT:

Police report was present for all to review.

-Body camera grant is being secured through insurance

-Base radio has been installed

-Kuhl & LeCroy will be in training in September

-Amended Ord 9-1-8, Disturbing the Peace – A motion to approve this ordinance was made by Kyle Markus, second by Matt Kohnen. Motion carried 3-0 by roll call vote as follows:

K. Eversgerd – absent

K. Peek – aye

M. Kohnen – aye

M. Netemeyer – absent

C. Albers – absent

K. Markus – aye.

-Amended Ord 8-5, Nuisances Garbage/Debris – A motion to approve this ordinance was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Kim Peek. Motion carried 3-0 by roll call vote as follows:

K. Eversgerd – absent

K. Peek – aye

M. Kohnen – aye

M. Netemeyer – absent

C. Albers – absent

K. Markus – aye.

Kuhl stated a grant for vests is in review.

Matt Kohnen asked about Digiticket with the County. Kuhl stated the system needs to be updated and that a new system is needed for LeCroy as he does not have one.

Matt Kohnen asked about a schedule. Kuhl stated he would get one out tomorrow.

5. PARK DISTRICT:

Park District minutes are in the packet for all to review. Kyle discussed a swale with engineers.

A \$30K donation was received from Midwest National Bank. It was also stated that concrete has been poured for a gaga pit.

6. VILLAGE CLERK:

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

Matt Kohnen stated he, Jenny and Dave talked with Ziptility regarding work orders, etc.

-Trustee Pay Comparison – A list of other local municipalities salaries was available for review.

7. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

-McAllister ditch – This project has been completed.

-TIF – Clint Flowers emailed TIF application and information to Kevin. Kevin will get this to Steve and the legal team for review.

8. CURRENT PROJECTS:

-Liquor License Review – Kyle updated that he is reviewing the liquor license ordinance.

-Russland Road – Winter project and on hold for Matt Netemeyer.

9. ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Minutes of the Zoning Board meeting were in everyone's packet for review. A public hearing for Midwest National Bank was held for a variance addressing ground-mounted solar. The Zoning Board recommended approval of the ground-mounted solar. A motion to accept the recommendation of the zoning board to allow ground-mounted solar was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Kim Peek. Motion carried 3-0.

Jeff Woltering was present to discuss splitting lot A into 2 lots. It was stated this would need to be re-platted with the County.

Dave stated there were 2 permits issued in the new subdivision.

Clint Flowers presented plans to the Zoning Board however Dave stated a better site plan is needed before a permit is issued.

10. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

Dave said the new truck is scheduled to arrive September 1st. The trees in St. John's alley are scheduled to be taken down. Dave reviewed the lift station dialer situation and that the analog lines they are currently on will be nonexistent by the end of next year. Jenny and Matt Kohnen have been discussing these lines with AT & T however the cost will be the same if not more. Dave presented a quote from Pedrotti regarding the dialers and the Board asked for a second quote. A motion to approve the Pedrotti quote, if lowest bid, was made by Matt Kohnen, second by Kim Peek. Motion carried 3-0.

Dave stated the EPA requirements for water testing have changed. More sampling will need to be done and the addresses have already been selected.

Water Tap – Discussed water tap fees for a strip mall. Jenny will research the Ordinance Book and get the information out to Jeff Woltering and the Village Board.

The Board discussed the flow line in the ditch on Jeff's property. The Village Board will need to look further into this for a solution.

Jenny to get Enterprise Zone information to Jeff & Nancy.

Discussed the retention pond and culvert.

-Koerkenmeier Property – The ceiling has been dropped and the inside cleaned up. Village Board to review and get the building weather tight.

11. OLD BUSINESS:

-Home Inspections – Jenny is working on the inspection ordinance. The Board needs to decide if these inspectors will be contracted work or employees.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kyle Markus, second by Matt Kohnen. Motion carried 3-0. Time was 8:22pm.

Jennifer Jansen, Village Clerk