**Village of Sparland**

**123 Center Street**

**Sparland, IL 61565**

**Thursday August 1, 2024**

**6:00pm**

**August 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes:**

**Meeting called to order: 6:00 pm**

**Roll Call: Pro Tem Mayor:** Samantha Allen Present

 **Trustee’s:** Chalea Dentinger Present

 Tracy Farley Present

 Jim Mannon Present

* **Also Present, Village Clerk, Village Treasurer, and Village Attorney**

**MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES:**  J, Mannon made a motion, T, Farley 2nd

 **Ayes: 4 Nays: 0**

**MOTION TO APPROVE BILLS:**  T, Farley made a motion, J, Mannon 2nd

 **Ayes: 4 Nays: 0**

**MOTION TO APPROVE TREASURER REPORT:** J, Mannon made a motion, T, Farley 2nd

 **Ayes: 4 Nays: 0**

**STAFF UPDATES REVIEWED BY VILLAGE BOARD**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

* Sandy Wisner spoke thanking the Village for the maintenance crew’s help cleaning up debris after the storm. Sandy appreciates the help, and all that R, Squires did.
* Jeff Holocker asked about Shelly Urnikis being nominated as a Village Trustee
* **No Other Comments**

**WATER REPORT:**

The following curb stops need repaired by Hartwig: 407 Cornell, 212 Second Street, and 1136 Ada Ave.

$450 will be needed to Purchase a new Flouride Pump.

Shawn Sutherland will be on Vacation Aug 9- Aug 17, 2024 Stan and Ronnie will cover during that time. Ronnie will read the meter, and test water samples. Shawn will Pre Mix the chemicals needed prior.

**MOTION TO APPROVE/DISCUSS PAYMENT FOR JAYNE EXCAVATING USAGE OF WATER:**

Ameren hired Jayne excacating to run a pressure test on a gas main, Jayne used 100k gallons of water provided by one of the Village hydrants. Village attorney will use the rates provided by Stan Sayre from surrounding towns to create a water rate ordinance to be able to properly determine what the Village should charge Jayne Excavating. Table until next meeting.

**J, Mannon made a motion, T, Farley 2nd**

 **Ayes: 4 Nays: 0**

**MOTION TO DISCUSS MIDLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL WATER BILL:**

Stan is waiting to hear back from Middle school principal to discuss water usage, and has asked to table this for the following meeting.

**J, Mannon made a motion. T, Farley 2nd.**

**Ayes: 4 Nays: 0**

* **The board went into Executive Session at 6:27 pm, and returned at 6:45pm**

**MOTION TO CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION WITH RESPECT TO OFFERING VILLAGE EMPLOYEE RENEWED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT:**

The Village board has offered employee Shawn Sutherland at 2 year contract with a $ 1200 monthly payment for his work as daily operator. Should employee receive an emergency call out, he will receive a minimum 2-hour call out pay at a gross rate of $25 hourly. Employee will receive time and a half for hours worked in excess of the first 8 hours on a call out. Shawn Sutherland accepts and agrees to the contract. **T, Farley made a motion 2nd J, Mannon Ayes: 4 Nays: 0**

**MOTION TO CONSIDER AN TAKE ACTION TO APPOINT NEW VILLAGE TRUSTEE : SHELLY URNIKIS**

Shelly was nominated by Jim Mannon and sworn in by Village Clerk

**J, Mannon made a motion, 2nd T, Farley**

**Ayes: 4 Nays: 0**

**Adjournment: 7:10 pm**

**T, Farley made a motion. J, Mannon 2nd**

**Ayes: 4 Nays: 0**