VILLAGE OF SOLDIERS GROVE, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting held February 8, 2024.

Meeting to order at 6:28 pm.

Roll Call: Present: Jerry Miller, Harrison Heilman, Steve George, and Howard Arndt. Not Present: Vicki Campbell and Brett Pettit.

Public Input: Heilman wanted to make it clear to the public that Paul Nicholson is not returning to the Village as President nor a Trustee. The spot will stay vacant, as the Village does not legally have to have a President. Will look at filling the vacant seat after the April election.

Desperado's Event: Kathy stated she has had many people ask her if they will be having the music event again this year. Will have live music, a tent up again, music will be from 1:00 pm to 9 or 10 pm. Wanting to do the event on May 25th.

Motion by George, second by Arndt to approve Desperado's Event on May 25th in the courtyard. All present aye, motion carried.

Fire department: Had their meeting the night before the board meeting. Planning the Spring Fundraiser on April 20th. Will have a live auction, and a chicken Q dinner. Do not have times planned yet but will soon, this fundraiser will be at the American Legion Post 220. June Fun Days plan is Friday night of the event will be the truck and tractor pull with a DJ to follow. Saturday is still up in the air, but the parade will now be planned for Saturday night instead of Sunday as we have received many complaints about the parade being on Father's Day. The parade will be a light parade. The Fire Department was given a donation from Ferryville Fire Department of 8 air packs. The air packs donated are a lot more up to date than the ones we currently have. Will be working on a grant for more air packs and an air compressor so we can fill our own. One new member joined. Have been doing inventory, rearranged the station, and would eventually like to update the outside of the building.

CDC: Driftless Brewery is still behind on loan. Motion by Heilman, second by Arndt to approve payment of bills. All present aye, motion carried.

Public Works: Mike stated not a whole lot going on, doing well needed maintenance on equipment. There was a water leak at a home in the Village that was taken care of the same day it was found. Had an older gentlemen cut up some wood and took it out of the little wooded area by South Street. Will be getting ahold of Stussy's Tree Service for a quote on the trees that need to be taken down on South Street. Planning on hauling the burn pile away to clean up for a fresh start. Complaints about mattresses and other things dumped at the burn pile, there will be cameras put up around the park this year to be able to catch the people who are dumping things that are not allowed and any other activities that happen in the park.

Motion by George, second by Heilman to approve PSC Conventional Rate Case Application to be submitted. All present aye, motion carried.

WWTF Phase 1 Update: DNR approved grant for \$269,841 with a 0% interest loan for the remaining costs. Bid opening for Phase 1 of the project will take place at Delta 3 Engineering in Platteville on February 22. Construction is set to begin no later than June 30, 2024.

Motion by George, second by Heilman to approve minutes of the January 11th meeting. All present aye, motion carried.

Motion by Heilman, second by George to approve bills General \$14,169.90, Fire \$891.67, Sewer \$3,628.86, Water \$742.03, and Library \$6,479.73. All present aye, motion carried.

Motion by Heilman, second by Arndt to adjourn meeting at 7:05 pm. All present aye, motion carried.

<u>Kaitlynn R'Ott</u>