Village of Roberts
Village Board Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2019

The Village Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Moeri

The meeting was properly noticed on the Village website and posted in three locations in the Village of Roberts.

Members Present: Chuck Pizzi, Katy Kapaun, Chad Svacina, Rand Waughtal, Willard Moeri, Mary Shemon, Cheryl Johnson

Absent:

Guest: John Bond, Peter Tharp, Aaron McWilliams, Linda Hall

## Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes for April 8, 2019 Village Board Meeting, April 22nd and May 7, 2019 Special Village Board Meeting by Pizzi, seconded by Kapaun. Motion carried.

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report was read. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Waughtal, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.

### Public Concerns:

- TDI had done work down by Spring Street and residents are wondering if they can come back and fix the work that was done.
- A resident is wondering if we can install a park bench between the Mobile Home Park and Holiday. A good spot would be just before the incline coming south. This could be put on the grassy park of the boulevard. Bond will look to see what the option are.

### Communications:

- None

### Department Report - McWilliams

**Report from Police Department**

- Triple A grant – we were not selected for but we did get a traffic grant for $4,000. When we were applying for this grant, we were looking for what we could do with this money. Looked at lighted pedestrian signs. They are push button and light blinking. They are around $7,373. $4,000 would be applied to this with the grant and the Village would need to make up the grant. There is still money left in a police fund that we could use for this. Newell Street would be the spot for this since it is a double bus stop pickup. They are solar power, and they will need to be put on a small pad. This price is with all hardware included and shipped to us. They communicate that once you push the button both sides light up. Johnson asked about who will install them and it looks like it would be Public Works.

**Report from Director of Public Works – John Bond**

- There was a sewer line backup on Warren Street. This line is jetted annually. Bond believes that there is a low spot in this pipe and that sand is building up in this line and creating issues. While jetting we had 400 feet of hose when the truck died. Manually pulled hose and the fire department helped pull the truck to get it started.
- Graham Street may not get blacktopped this year. Budgets were over because of winter. They are working on getting the grass work done before GND.
- Pilot Plant is here from Clearas. The second Pilot Plant showed up today. We were not aware of the second plant coming. They are being used in a couple of weeks so they started up the second one today. Kevin McGraw who is one of the founders is also here with it so if you want

to look at it, feel free. The DNR will be here on Thursday to look at it and Senator Schnachtner will be here Friday.

- We have had issues with people stealing water from the hydrants. McWilliams has dealt with these customers.
- The remaining streets out in Rolling Meadows are scheduled to have the blacktop done this week.
- Publications for Clearas

**Report from Library Director – Kapaun**

- Dessert Fundraiser at the Community Dinner on May 30th. Any donated desserts can be dropped off at the library by noon on the 30th.
- Also collecting addresses for people that will be having garage sales during Good Neighbor Days so they can be put on a map. Either contact the library or Stephanie @stephanie@exitspringside.com.

**Report from Municipal Judge – Peter Tharp**

- Monthly report was in the packet to review.
- Moeri asked about discussion on Monthly reports that were handed out and Judge Tharp had no comments.

**Committee Reports and Recommendations**

**Park Board**

- First meeting since putting together the budget. Very little budget to use this year. Looking to replace the range in the Park Building. Looking at pricing for a new commercial gas range from there. Kapaun is helping Pizzi with this. Existing playground equipment has been removed from the lot and is being stored at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. It will be set in the passive park. There was a request for a small set of swings for the Rolling Meadows Passive Park if there is money there.
- The lions would like to place a lion's memorial in the park. They have come up with a granite bench with a memorial to the lions on it. Waughtal suggested having pavers around the bottom of it with the option to add names if interested. There is a small retaining wall by the tennis court that will need to be replaced. Discussed issue from a concerned citizen in regards to trash. Pizzi picked this up by the tower. He has not been by the demo pit to see what was there. There is also a concern about the recycling not being separated from the trash at the park. We have no control over this at this time.

**Plan Commission** – Did not meet

- Building Inspectors Report

**CDA Board – none**

**Finance** – none

**Public Safety Committee** - none

**Public Works Committee** – Did not meet

**Fire Association** – Svacina

- Went over the new collection agency. Submitted about a dozen or so claims and waiting on a reply on this.
- Elected new officers.

**Joint Twin Lake Committee –** Did not meet

**III. Old Business** - none

**IV. New Business**

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**Employee Education Requests and Expense Reports**

- Motion to approve Megan Dull and Barb Newton for 2019 Clerks, Treasurers & Finance Institute by Kapuan, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.

**Approval of New Operator's License**

- Motion to approve Joshua McAbee's Application for Operator's License by Kapuan, seconded by Svacina. Motion carried.

**Discussion/approval of Fireworks User's Permit for Roberts Good Neighbor Days for Charles T Gardas D.B.A. Island Fireworks Co., Inc.**

- Motion to approve User's Permit for Roberts Good Neighbor Days for Charles T Gardas by Svacina, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.

**Discussion/approval of Temporary Operator's License for Roberts Lions Club for Good Neighbor Days.**

- Motion to approve the Temporary Operator's License for the Lions Club by Kapuan, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

**Discussion/approval of Picnic License for Roberts Lions Club for Roberts Good Neighbor Days.**

- Motion to approve Picnic License for Roberts Lions Club by Kapaun, seconded by Svacina. Motion carried with Pizzi abstaining.

**Discussion/approval of 2019 Board/Committee Appointments**

- Still looking for members for Zoning Board of Appeals and Police Review Board and Public Safety.
- Suggestion was made to remove Pete Chapin from the Public Safety Board. Waughtal asked about notifying him about being removed from the board. Pizzi would still like to see him removed from the committee. Kapaun stated that she is disappointed that he has not communicated with us regarding adding sidewalks to S. Division St. Kapaun asked if we could remove Chapin to a different board? Waughtal thinks it should be his decision and Kapaun does not agree.
- Motion to approve the list as edited by Kapaun, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.

**Discussion/approval of ATV Route Designation Application for Public Roadways for County TT from S. Division Street to 130th Street.**

- McWilliams was approached by the ATV club about this so that they do not disrupt the property owners land if it is muddy, etc. This would allow access to Warren Township from the Village. The club already has the signs so there would be no cost for signage because they will put them up. County Road TT would be the in and out for the Village.
- Motion to approve the Application for Submittal for the ATV Route by Pizzi, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.
- Discussion continued regarding ATV's and side by sides regarding parking and rules. ATV's and UTV's need to act like cars and park in normal parking spots on the streets. They are not allowed on the sidewalks. They are also not allowed to pull wagons or other equipment behind them.

**Discussion/approval of Outside Soffit Light Options for Village Hall.**

- This is the Scott Freer Electric bid. There are four lights outside that are not working out of nine. We can replace all and make them LED or we can replace the ones that need to be done.
- Kapaun asked if these would shine out to the sidewalk because when it is dark it is hard to see where the curb is. Johnson asked if there is any efficiencies with adding LED instead of the normal. Four should come from maintenance and be LED and budget for the remaining with looking at the option of adding some bollard lights for sidewalks minimum of 2 if not 4.

**Discussion/approval of Storm Siren in Rolling Meadows.**

- Company came out to service storm sirens. The little one in Rolling Meadows is non-repairable. This was originally at the firehall, move to Village Hall and then to Rolling Meadows. This was built in the 1950's. There are no parts to repair this siren. We could do nothing and wait until we can put it in the budget. If we decide to replace, the pole needs to be lifted. The cheapest one is the most comparable to what we have now. The middle of the road unit has more area to project. If the power goes out there is no battery backup to the cheaper ones. The cheapest is $8,000

and the middle is $15,000. Pizzi feels that we need to add one with the battery backup. If we are going to look at the bigger siren we might want to look at relocating the siren as well. We could move it East by the other lift station or by the cell tower but right now there is no power. The last time Federal Warning came out they mapped this out. Svacina asked is there is any grant money out there for this? The siren by Lakes Gas can be heard if you are outside. Svacina asked if it could go on the cell tower and Bond does not think so. Looking to relocate on the North East side of Rolling Meadows. This could also come out of TID as a one-time item. This would be a special meeting of the finance board to approve this if needed.

- Motion to table this discussion until next month by Kapaun, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.

**Payment of Bills**

Motion to pay the bills by Pizzi, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

**Other Business**

- Discussed having a flex schedule for the Clerk's Office again this summer. We normally work 9 hour days and have a half day off a week.

**Motion** to adjourn at 8:20PM by Shemon, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried

Megan Dull
Village Clerk