

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF WARDSVILLE
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2025
1825 ALBERT PLACE
COMMUNITY BUILDING
6:30 P.M.

The Board of Trustees may enter Closed Session at any time during the meeting upon a majority vote of the Board of Trustees under Section 610.021 RSMo for issues pertaining to personnel, real estate, possible litigation and/or to receive advice of counsel.

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by Member Rachel Busche, who was voted to act as Chairperson, since both the Chairman and Co-Chairman were not present, Rachel verified a quorum was present. In attendance were Brian Schrimpf, Rick Taube, Rachel Busche, Libby Chipman, David Bandre', Gary Frank and John Stambaugh.

The minutes from November 6, 2024, were approved; Brian Schrimpf made the motion to approve, Rick Taube seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Rick Taube made a motion to accept the financial presented, Brian Schrimpf seconded the motion. Motion carried and financials were approved.

Guests:

Dan Bernskoetter — not in attendance due to weather conditions

Report from Chairman Bill Gratz

Not in Attendance

Report by Paul Stonner

Not in Attendance

Report by Rick Taube

Nothing to Report

Report by Brian Schrimpf

Nothing to report

Report by Rachel Busche

Nothing to report

Report from David Bandre'

Traffic Violation Update: Cole County could not give him access to the system that ties the license plates to owners' addresses since he is not a full-time employee. Mark Eicholtz is helping to resolve the issue. All paperwork has been submitted for our SFR project. This might be audited around 2028 — if ever, but everything has been submitted.

Report from Gary Frank

Had a few complaints about the snow removal. SteepleGate's road was not clear like Pebble Creek. We do our best and do have to be good stewards of the Village money. Gary went through all of the streets and Deerhaven is in the worst shape. There are many patches that are cracked up. Gary also spoke about the weeds at the Knights of Columbus, up the creek by the fence and adjoining property. We need to send letters to stand by our policy.

The Safety Deposit Box key has been lost, he spoke with Shirley Stockman's son. Said it could possibly be in Shirley's old desk, nothing in the desk. Said that some maintenance has to be done to the bobcat.

Report from Don Welch

Not in Attendance

Report from Libby Chipman/Village Clerk

Renewal of JC Chamber of Commerce? The cost is \$370 dollars. We will postpone this discussion until Bill Gratz is present. The Village has received the preliminary plans for the Schulte Studio and Coffee Shop building. Don Welch has the plans. Update was presented regarding Falcon Lane/Brian Williams by e-mail.

Regarding the renewal of Gary Frank's contract, Rick Taube made a motion to accept the contract renewal. Brian Schrimp seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy — cost has doubled over the last 2 years. Taos will meet next week to discuss. We will see what they are going to do. We will discuss the topic next month. Bill will need to reach out to Sheriff Wheeler to see if we can get the monthly reports to see what is available. Assessor can run numbers of what a tax increase will mean. We can dedicate a percentage to long range capital improvement. Need to come up with a plan.

Old Business

Need to bring up the subject of property taxes.

New Business

Libby to call and get the Village on rotation to have the Speed Meter in the Village from the county.

Payment of Bills

Rick Taube made a motion to approve paying the bills, Rachel Busche seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Rick Taube motioned that we close the meeting, Brian Schrimp second, motion carried unanimously, meeting closed at 7:37 p.m.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED THE BOARD, ON FEBRUARY 5, 2025, RICK MADE MOTION, PAUL SECONDED, MOTION CARRIED.....

Respectfully submitted



Libby Chipman
Village Clerk

