

Village of Brownville Board of Trustees

Meeting Agenda

May 8, 2023 – Town Hall

6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Chairman Marty Hayes pointed out the Open Meeting Act.

Board members present: Terry Vice, Natisha Helmick, Bailey Bindle. Josh Russell was absent. Also present, Kristy Mertes.

Motion by Helmick, seconded by Bindle, to approve the agenda. All yes be paid as presented. votes. Motion carried.

Motion by Helmick, seconded by Bindle to approve the April regular meeting minutes. All yes votes. Motion carried.

The Financial Report was reviewed. Helmick moved to approve the financial report as handed out. Bindle seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

The claims were reviewed. Helmick moved the claims be paid as presented. Bindle seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried. Claims submitted by board member Marty Hayes were reviewed. Helmick moved to approve Hayes' claims. Bindle seconded. Helmick voted yes, Vice – yes, Hayes – abstained, Bindle – yes. Motion carried. Claims submitted by Helmick were reviewed. Bindle moved to approve Helmick's claims. Vice seconded. Bindle voted yes. Vice – yes, Hayes – yes, Helmick – abstained. Motion carried.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission presented their annual Assessment Report. Data is tracked to make sure Cooper Nuclear operated safely. All findings for 2022 were all green. Which means the plant ran safely.

Projects, Buildings and Equipment

Water/Sewer Report: Water operator Aaron Davis was present and presented the board with a quote with two separate options from HOA in regards to equipment needed at the water tower, per state inspection. Option one was with screen/dialer/alarms computer for \$6964. Option two was for a four channel sensaphone for \$1767. Option one was preferable but the Village could do with

option two for now. A land line would need to be reinstalled for the alert system. Helmick made a motion to accept option two with installation of Windstream landline, Vice seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried. Camera on 7th Street is also needed. Helmick made a motion to get a camera installed at the Water Tower, Bindle seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Street Report: Terry reported that sealant/coating is needed on Main Street to beginning of third. Bridge on 3rd Street needs to be completely replaced. Water damage on 3rd Street in Alley.

Town Hall Repairs: New Community doors were discussed. The mechanism is broken from people pulling on the door because its locked. Looking to see if we can get a new mechanism for the door we have.

Cameras are needed at the maintenance building and Town Hall due to theft. Terry and Natisha have cameras they are willing to donate. Helmick made a motion to install cameras, Bindle seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Riverside Park: Terry reported rock is in. Grass is growing. Fish station has been set up. Water will be hooked up to it soon. The water line can't be found to the Meriweather Lewis. Would like to cut and cap it to save money instead of having separate lines. Helmick made a motion for a river camera to see where the leak is so we can get water to Meriweather Lewis and fish cleaning station. Vice seconded. All yes votes. Motioned carried.

Steve Woerth reported he is working with a lawyer so he can provide a method to easily approve a variance with a permit for the signs so they can be put up.

Lacy reported for BVT. They are doing a World Premier Play. They would like to have a food/drink event with it. They would like a temporary liquor license for July 7, 2023. Helmick made a motion to approve the license, Vice seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Josh Russell turned in his board member resignation letter. Helmick made a motion to approve Josh's resignation. Bindle seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Steve Woerth reported the Visitor's Center will be open in 3-4 weeks. He was wondering about the sewer line. Marty said the main line might not go anywhere. It went to the old sewer plant. We will look into trying to find out what is going on.

Colleen Bowen reported on some issues pertaining to Meriweather Lewis. People have been stealing strange things from the Meriweather Lewis. Trash cans, trash bags, light bulbs, etc. She would like anyone who seeing anything out of the ordinary to report it. She also thanked the Village for initially paying the grant match until they got things figured out. She also thanked John and Tom for giving tours. John is retiring from tours so she is looking for someone else to take his place.

John Lauber asked if the Village would agree to seeing if the NRCS and NRD could help the Village. We have already contacted Stephen Kennedy but Terry told John we would definitely look into it.

Adjournment

Helmick moved to adjourn at 7:26. Vice seconded. All yes votes. Motion carried.

Kristy Mertes, Clerk