

**Village of Makanda**  
**P.O Box 99**  
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**Board Minutes**

**January 8, 2019**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Tina Shingleton.

**ROLL CALL:** Clerk called the roll of the Village Board: Trustees Hilliard, Allen, Wolff, Ross, Dalton and Brouillette were present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** President asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Trustee Wolff made a motion to accept the minutes. It was seconded by Trustee Hilliard. Voice vote. All members present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

**CITIZEN'S HEARING:** No Guests

**PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:** Lorrie Hawk contacted the President and turned in her key as she is unable to continue cleaning Village Hall. President advised board that there is no need to find anyone to replace Lorrie since the facility is not used much and she will go over as needed.

Glenn from the Census Bureau called to ask if there is a facility they can use for the 2020 Census training. Training will start this fall and space is needed for approximately 15 people. President suggested the Community Center and asked that they let us know soon so dates are set so facility, can be reserved. Days will

be Thursday through Saturday. She advised there would be no charge for use of the facility.

Letter was received from IDOT advising that the District Bureau of Local Roads is beginning to prepare the annual district wide pavement marking program. If we have markings in need of repainting and want to be included in the program, we will need to send a map to their office along with a list of quantities of either yellow or white paint. Quantities should also include lineal feet or square feet of each color of markings. It would be our responsibility to provide sweeping and cleaning of pavement if necessary. A response is needed by February 1 if we are interested. After discussion it was determined there was not enough marked Village roads to apply for the program.

Correspondence was received regarding the Ameren in Bloom grant program. Deadline for applications is February 1.

President asked if we have received any response from the letter sent to Tammy Pearce regarding reimbursement of rental check and returned check charges from bank. No response received as yet. Make sure if any future requests are received for rental that past fees are paid in full before rental is approved.

#### **CLERK:**

**TRUSTEES:** Trustee Hilliard reported that Ameren was in the process of fixing 5 Village street lights. Some lights will be replaced with L.E. D. bulbs. Trustee Hilliard reported that the approximate cost of the cemetery signs for Senator Paul Simon will be \$572.00 plus freight. Trustee Wolff made a motion to proceed with the purchase of the Paul Simon landmark signs. It was seconded by Trustee Allen. Voice vote. All present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried. President will advise IDOT of Board approval and Trustee Hilliard will order signs to be made.

Trustee Dalton reported that she had been in contact with Larry's Towing. They will provide the no parking/violators will be towed signs and put them up, free of charge, at the bridge on Cracker's Neck. President Shingleton and Trustee Dalton will be the two contact people to communicate with Larry's Towing. Trustee Ross made a motion that the Village approve Larry's Towing to put up their signs at the

Cracker's Neck Bridge. Trustee Brouillette seconded the motion. Voice vote. All present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried. President will consult with the Village attorney to see if the Village needs a Resolution on this issue, as well.

Trustee Wolff reported that on December 18, 2018 he and Trustee Allen met with Dan Walker and conducted a Street and Road employee review/evaluation with him. The result of the evaluation for Dan Walker were excellent. Trustee Wolff made a motion to give Dan Walker a raise of \$1.00 per hour. It was seconded by Trustee Allen. Voice vote. All present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Wolf reported on the continuing problem with Frontier leaving their lines in the Village ditches, where they interfere with Village road work and are often damaged. President will work with Trustees Wolff and Allen to create a letter to be sent to Frontier letting them know when the Village plans to be working in the ditches and that Frontier needs to move their lines by that date. At that time the Village will move forward with the necessary ditch maintenance in order to safely maintain the Village roads.

Trustee Wolff recommended an electrical circuit be run to the machinery/storage shed. Trustees Wolff and Allen will install the circuit.

President recommended that the Trustees get estimates from at least 3 contractors for the cost of cleaning out Village culverts and ditches that the Street and Road crew may not have the equipment to do.

Trustee Allen reported that the boom mower needs several repairs as well as the snow plow.

Trustee Ross reported that the front door of the Community Center has a metal plate that needs to be tighten. The Community Center needs to be powered washed to get rid of the dirt daubers. Trustee Ross shared a picture of a rat that her son had killed in her driveway. She reported that was the first time she had seen a rat on her property in 40 years. Trustee Ross strongly suspects the rat came from Mr. Oliz abandoned property, across the road from her house. Trustee Dalton provided the President with a second Carbondale address for Nicholas Oliz. The clerk will send a 2<sup>nd</sup> violation notice, certified, to Mr. Oliz, at both addresses. The President will have the Village attorney review the letter. Board discussed steps to take if Mr. Oliz does not respond to the violation letter, and correct the problems on his property. The Village will move forward to correct the problems and bill the costs

to Mr. Oliz. The Village may place a lien on the property, as well. Trustee Ross recommended that the Village put the Village Nuisance Ordinance on our web site.

### **FISCAL MATTERS:**

**A. Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer presented the monthly budget report.

**B. Bills Payable:** Treasurer presented the list of the bills payable.

President asked for motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay the bills. Trustee Wolff made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Dalton. Voice vote. All present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**A. Finance Committee:**

**B. Ordinance Committee:**

**C. Street & Road Committee:** President has been contacted by IDOT advising culvert at Makanda Road and Sheppard Lane will be replaced on Wednesday, January 9 between 9 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. The post office received permission to place a notice in each resident's mailbox to advise them of this repair. President asked that potholes on Sheppard Lane be filled. Trustee Ross reported that on the south end of the Bridge on Crackers Neck Rd. there is a section of road washed off, and a deep hole to be fixed. IDOT has not yet fixed the road in front of Mr. Jumps house, despite several calls. Trustee Dalton shared picture of culverts on Church St. that need to be cleared out. A resident on Church St. has pallets of rocks sitting on the edge of the road which is on the Village right of way, and need to be removed from the right of way. Church St. is scheduled for ditch cleaning and other maintenance and repairs.

**D. Subdivision Committee:**

**E. Insurance Committee:**

### **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**A. Emergency Disaster Committee:**

**B. Special Events Committee:**

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:** Buncombe Water charge at Pavilion – No response has been received regarding Village offer of reimbursing one half of amount. Village Website – President still trying to make contact with Go Daddy for information to rebuild the Village website.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** President asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Wolff and seconded by Trustee Ross. Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

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**Leslie Yambert, Village Clerk**

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**Tina Shingleton, President**