

**Village of Makanda**  
**P.O Box 99**  
**Makanda, Illinois 62958**

**Board Minutes**

**June 4, 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 current Village Board: Trustees Hilliard, Allen, Wolff, Brouillette, Ross, and Dalton were present. Clerk swore in Trustee Hilliard. Clerk called the roll of the new Board. Trustees Hilliard, Allen, Wolff, Brouillette, Ross and Dalton 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 Allen. Voice vote. All members present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

**CITIZEN'S HEARING:** Russ Kramer, a resident who lives on Church Street wanted information on the upcoming repairs to be done on Church Street. President and Trustees presented general overview and answered his questions.

**PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:** AEP responded to Courtney's inquiry about participating in their net metering program. They advised there is no process for us to complete, if we advise Ameren that we have solar. AEP would automatically receive net meter usage through EDI transactions and invoice us accordingly.

Letters and emails have been received from Eligoenergy to switch to their municipal aggregation program. President responded to their representative,

Jennifer Ohlman, that we currently have an agreement with Homefield Energy that does not expire until December of 2020.

President received a phone call from Elaina on behalf of AEP Energy welcoming us for choosing them as our electric supplier for Village commercial needs. They will be happy to answer any questions we might have about our account by calling 866-258-3782 or contact them on their web site at AEPENERGY.com

Stone Creek's state liquor license was renewed on April 25. The Village license was up for renewal effective May 1. President contacted Tim Chrzan regarding renewal and new license has been delivered and fee has been paid.

**CLERK:**

**TRUSTEES:** Trustee Hilliard inquired if the Treasurer had received a bill from Road Runner for the post that were. Treasurer has received an invoice for the post, but not the bill. Trustee Hilliard gave each Board member a copy of the Annual Street and Road Report. Trustee Allen reported on a possible water leak on Crackers Neck, which has since been determined to be a spring. Elaine reported that someone has moved the barrier that was across the sidewalk at the Renaissance House. Trustee Ross reported that it had taken Buncombe water 3 days to respond to and fix a water leak on Baptist Hill. Trustee Ross reported that there is an Eagle Scout in Herrin who will properly dispose of old flags. Flags can be brought and left in the flag box at the American Legion in Herrin. Trustee Ross would like to see a flag at the Bost Monument. Trustee Hilliard reported that the flagpole is broken, and the Village has no way to reach the top of the pole to fix it. Trustee Ross recommended the Village find a way to hide the septic in front of the Village Hall. Trustee Ross stated that the Community Center needs to be power washed. Board approved that her husband could do it. Trustee Ross is continuing to work on getting bid for work on the Community Center floors. Trustee Ross has a catalog with prices on the type of signs the Village needs. Trustee Ross talked with Jay Kranz who works for IDOT at the county level, and left a message for Ben McClusky, state level, requesting a meeting to discuss the poor condition of Makanda Road in the Village. IDOT is currently busy with local flooding damage. Trustee Dalton inquired about the repainting of the letters on the Veterans Memorial. Trustee Hilliard stated that it has been to damp to do any painting.

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**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 Ross. 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:** Dan Walker was contacted by Southern Illinois Power Cooperative for reserving Cyclone Boiler Bottom Ash (cinders). This year they require a contract. There are some items of concern regarding such as including them as an additional insured on our policy. Legal counsel stated we might also need a permit from the EPA to use this type of cinders. He is checking to make sure things are in order before we sign this contract. The Board discussed whether we should continue using cinders. Trustee Allen suggested using sand and turkey grit.

Three bids have been received for repairs to Church St. It was recommended that a soil analysis be done before the low areas are raised. Cost of soil analysis would run about \$2,500. After conversation with the Street and Road Committee it was decided this part of the bid ad be removed. All bidders were advised of the change when they called for an appointment to look at road to give a bid. Bids for replacing culverts, ditching, and shaping banks were received from:

E.T. Simonds	\$63,034.94
Fenton’s Excavating	\$37,443.14
Rawson Excavating	\$54,581.00

It was agreed the Street and Road committee meet on June 8 at 8 a.m. In the Village Hall to review bids. The board approved the Committee to select the bid once they have been reviewed.

**D. Subdivision Committee:**

**E. Insurance Committee:**

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**A. Emergency Disaster Committee:**

**B. Special Events Committee:**

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:** Presented 2019 Motor Fuel Tax Resolution. Village is requesting \$22,000 for oil and chipping and \$2,000 for snow removal. A motion was made by Trustee Ross to accept the 2019 Motor Fuel Tax Resolution. It was seconded by Trustee Hilliard. Voice vote. All present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:** Legal counsel received a letter from Buncombe Water rejecting the Village's offer of \$5,884.59 to settle the water main break underneath the Makanda pavilion. They would be willing to accept the sum of \$8,395 as full payment. This figure is arrived by dividing the difference between the Village's offer and Buncombe's demand exactly in half. President asked Board how they wish to respond. Although the Board felt the counter from Buncombe Water was not a reasonable alternative, it was decided to pay the \$8,395 to settle the matter.

President asked for a motion to approve payment of \$8,395 to Buncombe Water District to settle the dispute concerning the water main break in April 2018 underneath the Makanda pavilion. Trustee Wolff made the motion to make payment, seconded by Trustee Hilliard. All members present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried.

President will advise legal counsel to contact Buncombe Water to move forward with joint and mutual releases.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** President asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Hilliard and seconded Trustee Wolff. Voice vote. All present at roll call voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

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**Leslie Yambert, Village Clerk**

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**Tina Shingleton, President**

