

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Gridley was held at the Village Hall on Monday, August 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Richard Martin opened with a word of prayer.

President Benedict called the meeting to order and directed the Clerk to call roll, and upon roll call, the following Trustees answered present: Michael Finck, Richard Martin, Susan Laiming, Kevin Krones, Jay Kiefer and Mick Finck. Quorum present. Employees Phil Romersberger, Mark Peterson and Jen Hany were present.

Jeff asked if there were any corrections or additions to the July meeting minutes. There were none. Kevin made a motion to approve the minutes and Michael seconded the motion. Roll call: Michael Finck-yea, Martin-yea, Laiming-abstain, Krones-yea, Kiefer-yea, Mick Finck-yea. Motion carried.

Board reviewed the "Bills received by Clerk." There were no additions. Michael made a motion to approve the bills and Susan seconded the motion. Roll call: Michael Finck-yea, Martin-yea, Laiming-yea, Krones-yea, Kiefer-yea, Mick Finck-yea. All present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the Treasurer's Report. After discussion, Jay made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Mick seconded. All present answered in favor.

Michael presented Ordinance #644, Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the fiscal year commencing on May 1, 2023 and ending on April 30, 2024. One change was made since the draft. The water and sewer maintenance cost for the aeration system was changed to \$20,000. After discussion, Michael made a motion to pass Ordinance #644. Richard seconded the motion. Roll call: Michael Finck-yea, Martin-yea, Laiming-yea, Krones-yea, Kiefer-yea, Mick Finck-yea. All present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Richard presented a service agreement with Pace Analytical Services for our water testing services July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. The cost is billed monthly according to the testing needed. After discussion, Richard made a motion to approve the service agreement. Kevin seconded the motion.

Richard presented two quotes for sewer plant aeration system cleaning and sewer plant aeration system repair at a total cost of \$18,250. After discussion, Richard made a motion to approve the quotes in the amount of \$18,250. Mick seconded. Roll call: Michael Finck-yea, Martin-yea, Laiming-yea, Krones-yea, Kiefer-yea, Mick Finck-yea. All present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Mick reported that several trees in the city park need to be removed. The village employees can most likely remove the smaller trees, but he will ask Todd Witzig for a quote on the larger trees.

Jay presented a quote for sidewalks from Knob Hill Nursery and Landscaping. The quote is for an estimated 582 linear feet, formed and poured. Village employees will tear out the old sidewalk and the village will pay for the concrete direct. After discussion, Jay made a motion to approve the quote from Knob Hill in the amount of \$13,968.00. Mick seconded. Roll call: Michael Finck-yea, Martin-yea, Laiming-yea, Krones-yea, Kiefer-yea, Mick Finck-yea. All present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Cynthia Wilbur attended the board meeting to ask that trees at 502 Livingston be looked at to see if they need to be trimmed or removed.

Mick made a motion to adjourn. Jay seconded. Roll call: Michael Finck-yea, Martin-yea, Laiming-yea, Krones-yea, Kiefer-yea and Mick Finck-yea. Motion carried.