**Village of Illiopolis Board Meeting Minutes**

**March 6, 2023**

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call was taken, all members were present except D Koonce and M Pevler.

Agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Minutes

R Reed made a motion to approve the February 20, 2023 meeting minutes seconded by B Honea All ayes Motion carried 4-0-0.

Visitors

Seth Flach from MG Engineers was present to give an update on the Storm Sewer Project. He said the project should start either the end of March or beginning of April. Work will begin on Matilda St. Trees have been marked for removal or trimming along First and also Anne St.

 Open Forum

Treasurer’s Report

C Mitchell ask for Board approval to open a savings account to move money earmarked for the Storm Sewer out of the checking account. Board agreed it would be a good move to do that. It was also mentioned that it is time for budget planning. Budget sheets were given to Board members.

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Economic Development Report

Engineering Report

Old Business

After a brief discussion with attorney Seggato R Reed made a motion to adopt the amended Video Gaming Ordinance 23-3. B Honea seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was taken motion carried

 3-0-1. With J Swick abstaining.

 J. Swick received only one bid for the fence at Westside Park. Due to incomplete information it was tabled till next meeting.

Nothing new to report on Solar.

New Business

J DeVore made a motion to approve the raffle license for the adult prom fundraiser/ Illiofest candidates and also for all Illiofest raffles. J Swick seconding. Motion carried 4-0-0.

The Village received bids from three companies for the tree removal & trimming for the Storm Sewer Project. Discussion was held on the various bids. J Swick made a motion to accept bid from Leka Tree Service with R Reed seconding. Roll Call taken all ayes Motion carried 4-0-0

Dilapidated Property

Comments

R Reed asked about who can dump trees at the burn pile. He was informed that companies working in town can dump tree debris at the burn site. They cannot bring in debris from another town.

J DeVore gave an update on the benches for the park. Bottle caps are no longer being collected and the 4 benches should be here the end of March. Dedication of the benches will be done on Memorial Day. He also asked if the Rail Road was coming back to finish up Dye Road crossing. Mayor Rogers said they told him they will be back after they get some more blacktop.

Mayor Rogers said Animal Control came out twice this last month or so. Once for a dog bite incident and also for two dogs loose in Kelsan Heights. He also mentioned possibly purchasing more barricade lights and possibly filling in of the Backwash Pond.

A discussion was held on 4-wheelers, dirt bikes and golf carts. Who needs stickers and what is and is not street legal. These concerns and the Golf Cart Ordinance will be reviewed at the next meeting.

R Reed made a motion to adjourn at 7:30pm with B Honea seconding.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Mitchell, Assistant Village Clerk