

**Village of Stoddard
Village Board Meeting
January 14th, 2025, 6:00 p.m.**

The Village Board met in regular session. Roll call: Bill Evans, Scott Chiples, Steve Davis, Jancyn Lepke, Karen Long and Diane Olson.

Minutes: Motion Long, second Davis to approve minutes from the December meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Appearances: None.

Bills and Vouchers: Motion Chiples, second Long to approve December payments #21698-#216744 in the amount of \$54,162.34 for payment. All aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Board of Appeals – No meeting.

Board of Review – No meeting.

Budget & Finance – No meeting.

Building/Zoning/Land Planning – No meeting.

Fire – Chief Brian Lehmann said the SBFD would like to donate a bench at the dog park. Board thanked Lehmann and the Dept. for the donation.

Park – No meeting.

Personnel – No meeting.

Public Works – No meeting.

W&S – Utilities Commission Meeting, December 16th, 2024, 3:30 p.m., Stoddard Sewer Plant

Meeting called to order at 3:37 p.m. Present - Mark Peterson and Russ Bolton. John Tully - excused. Village Lead Operator-Rob Hurlburt, Operator Chad Maas, Village Trustee Scott Chiples, Mike Young, Village Clerk Kent Hatlestad and Deputy Clerk Carrie Brudos also present.

Minutes: Motion Bolton, second Peterson to approve minutes from the October meeting, no quorum in November. All aye, motion carried. **Appearances:** None.

Bills and Vouchers: Sewer - #3817-3827 = \$11,825.42, Water - #3457-3472 = \$47,143.17. Motion Bolton, second Peterson to approve. All aye, motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion on 2026 Hwy 162 project. Hatlestad reported that the project has been rescheduled to 2027. Budget proposal for 2027 was passed out. It is subject to change.

New Business:

Discussion on facility plan. Hatlestad reported that he had turned in a facility plan to the DNR explaining what the village is going to do to meet the new levels for fecal coliforms in the new permit. Looking at installing UV lighting in the chlorine contact tank building. Coon Valley is doing this now and the cost is around \$40K. The project will not be due until 2028. The outfall project will be paid off next year and that will free up \$36K /yr.

Discussion on new Utility Commission member. Mike Young was offered the position of Utility Commission member. Young accepted the position.

Communications: None. **Public Comment Time:** None. Motion Bolton, second Peterson to adjourn at 3:50. All aye. Motion carried. Adjournment. Next meeting January 20th.

Unfinished Business:

a) Discussion on Rummage Along the River. Hatlestad reported that the Rummage Along the River committee asked for a donation of \$250 to help with advertising and signage. Motion Chiples, second Olson to approve the \$250 donation. All aye, motion carried.

Hatlestad will also three port-a-potties for the event and place them around the village to help relieve some of the pressure from local businesses with the increased number of visitors.

b) Discussion on SMRT Bus donation. Hatlestad reported that the Vernon County SMRT Bus asked for a \$500 donation to help keep the service running. Motion Chiples, second Davis to approve the \$500 donation. All aye, motion carried.

New Business:

a) Discussion on SBFD Big Walleye Tournament. SBFD Chief Brian Lehmann reported that the tournament had been moved to May 30 – 31st and will be held at the Legion. The village will pitch in where they can.

Communications: None.

License Applications: None.

Public Comment: None.

Motion Lepke, second Olson to adjourn. All aye. Motion carried.

Next meeting February 11th.