STATE OF ILLINOIS	}	REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY OF CHRISTIAN	} SS.	December 2, 2024
VILLAGE OF STONINGTON	}	

The Board of Trustees met in Regular Session Monday, December 2, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

The Meeting was called to order by President Bruce Dowdy with the following Members present:

Trustees: Tara Ramsey, Tammy Wilson, Andrew Callan, Jeff Graham, Caleb Grover, and Scott Kuntzman

Clerk: Jill Gilpin Office Manager/Treasurer: Kari Scott Superintendent: Jake Heberling Village Engineer: Mark Bingham (Absent) Village Attorney: Scott Garwood (Absent) Chief of Police: Travis Peden Zoning Officer: John LeVault

Others in attendance: Elizabeth Wood, *Breeze-Courier*, Assistant Chief of Police, Phil Deal; Kim Brown, Village resident; and, Don Bouvet, Village resident.

Minutes from November 4, 2024, regular meeting was presented to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Wilson, seconded by Graham, that the minutes be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

Minutes from November 19, 2024, committee meeting was presented to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Kuntzman, seconded by Wilson, that the minutes be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Treasurer's Report was presented for the month of November to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Wilson, seconded by Callan, that the Treasurer's Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Gas Report was presented for the month of November to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Callan, seconded by Ramsey, that the Gas Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Water Report was presented for the month of November to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Grover, seconded by Kuntzman, that the Water Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Sewer Report was presented for the month of November to the Board for their

approval. Motion made by Kuntzman, seconded by Callan, that the Sewer Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

The Police Report was presented for the month of November to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Graham, seconded by Ramsey, that the Police Report be approved and filed as presented. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

Bills against the Village were presented for the approval of the Board. Motion made by Wilson, seconded by Kuntzman, to approve and issue warrants for all bills. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

Zoning Officer's Report: Zoning Officer LeVault issued no zoning permits in the month of November.

<u>President's Report</u>: The Board discussed the TIF Application from Randy White/Sheryl Coady for S & R Rentals. Motion by Wilson, second by Kuntzman, to approve the TIF Application of 75% of the TIF eligible funding reimbursement for eligible costs in the amount of \$95,836.50. Motion passed with a roll call vote that went as follows: Wilson "Yea"; Graham "Yea"; Ramsey "Yea"; Callan "Yea"; Grover "Yea", and Kuntzman "Yea". Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 24-697, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6. Traffic, Article 5. Abandoned, Stolen, Inoperable Motor Vehicles, Section 6.505 Penalties of the Municipal Code of Ordinances of the Village of Stonington, Christian County, Illinois. Motion made by Kuntzman, second by Graham, to approve Ordinance No. 24-697. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

There was no public comment.

Village Engineer Report: Nothing to report.

<u>Village Attorney Report</u>: Nothing to report.

<u>Superintendent's Report</u>: Superintendent Heberling reported J-May finished the electrical work at the wells and was under budget. Shelby Electric will be changing out poles this week. Sharpsburg has been trenching out by Garwood's on that phase.

President Dowdy asked with the new well pump heads have been installed. Superintendent Heberling reported they are waiting for approval from the EPA.

WATER – The Water Report for October 1, 2024 – October 31, 2024, billing period was presented.

GAS – The Gas Report for October 1, 2024 – October 31, 2024, billing period was presented.

SEWER – The Sewer Report for October 1, 2024 – October 24, 2024, billing period was presented.

<u>Committee Reports:</u> STREETS & ALLEYS – Nothing to report.

HEALTH & SAFETY – Trustee Graham asked with it would be possible to add diagonal parking spots on the side of the Beer Vault Saloon?

President Dowdy stated he would talk to Jason Bleisner about parking.

FINANCE – Trustee Wilson reported the Kick-Off to Christmas was very nice.

WATER – Nothing to report.

SEWER – Nothing to report.

GAS – Nothing to report.

Office manager Kari Scott stated she had a discussion with Attorney Scott Garwood, and he suggested that the Village should shut off comments on the Village's Facebook page to avoid unnecessary remarks.

Motion made by Wilson to go into Executive Session to discuss employee payroll issues at 7:20 p.m. Second by Callan.

Motion made by Callan, seconded by Wilson, to adjourn the Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. and return to the regular meeting.

President Dowdy set the date and time for the January Regular Meeting as January 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

With no further business coming before the Board, a motion was made by Grover, seconded by Ramsey, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

APPROVED:

Bruce Dowdy, Village President

ATTEST:

Jill Gilpin, Village Clerk