



The Police Report for the month of January was presented to the Board for their approval. Motion made by Callan, seconded by Bailey, 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 Ramsey, 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 January.

President's Report: President Dowdy welcomed Ray Likes and Tim Bollinger to the table representing the Stonington United Methodist Church. The Church is asking the Village of Stonington to allow for the temporary closure of the North ½ of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and a portion of Elm Street during the construction of the new church building. They are also asking for permanent sidewalk variances along the West and South portion of the proposed new church building as well as an alley variance for mechanical items encroach into the alley.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to grant the Stonington United Methodist Church the temporary closure of the North ½ of 4<sup>th</sup> street that lies south of the Church property line and the portion of Elm street that runs between the church and the three-cornered area west of the current church building during construction of the new church building. And variances along the West and South portions of the new church building for a permanent sidewalk as well as an alley variance in the event for some mechanical items encroach into the alley. Motion made by Blakeman, seconded by Wilson, to allow the requests from the Stonington Methodist Church. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy discussed with the Board about mowing. There was discussion regarding opening the mowing for bids or purchasing a mower for Village personnel to do the mowing. Last year the Village spent \$6,000.00 in mowing. The three bids that were received were from Sloan Implement for a John Deere Z950M Z-Track at \$9,990.00, from Jenner Ag for a Kubota at \$9,767.00, and from Jenner Ag for a Kubota X-Mark at \$9,517.00.

After much discussion, President Dowdy asked for a motion to purchase a new John Deere Z950M Z-Track zero turn mower w/60" 7-iron deck, 27 HP Kawasaki suspension seat, folding ROPS, rear Tweel tires, flat free front tires from Sloan Implement for \$9,990.00. Motion made by Blakeman, seconded by Wilson for the purchase of the John Deere Z950M from Sloan Implement for \$9,990.00. Motion passed with a roll call vote that went as follows: Blakeman "Yea", Wilson "Yea", Ramsey "Yea", Callan "Yea" and Bailey "Yea". Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to grant the liquor license to Stoney Slots LLC. Motion by Callan, seconded by Ramsey, to grant the liquor license to Stoney Slots LLC.

Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to grant the Raffle License 21-22 to Stonington American Legion. Motion by Wilson, seconded by Bailey, to grant the Raffle License 21-22 to Stonington American Legion. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to approve Resolution 21-454. Motion by Ramsey, seconded by Callan, to approve Resolution 21-454, A Resolution of the Village of Stonington Appointing Director and Alternative Director to the Municipal Gas Commission. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Superintendent Heberling received a quote for the retaining wall across from The Triangle Pub. The quote was from Double R Boathouses for the steel shorewall at \$6,000.00.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to approve the bid from Double R Boathouses for the steel shorewall for the retaining wall across from The Triangle Pub. Motion made by Callan, seconded by Blakeman, to approve the bid from Double R Boathouses. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy discussed the current credit card that the Village employees use. When trying to add the new employees they found out the credit card company requires there to be an individual's name on the account. Office manager, Debbie Niles, checked with the bank and they said that there is a credit card out there that is for municipalities and non-for-profit groups that do not require an individual's name on the account but uses the business's name. Once more information is obtained the Village will be changing the credit card companies.

Village Attorney Report: Nothing to report.

Engineer's Report: Engineer Bingham handed out a map to discuss the Motor Fuel Tax project to get the packet together for the next board meeting.

Engineer Bingham reported on the water project and presented a disbursement and pay request from Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Burdick Plumbing & Heating has been getting some field fabrication numbers together and doing some fabrication at their plant. They do not have a delivery date for the tank yet but when they are ready to ship, they will be directly delivered to the water plant.

Engineer Bingham requested the following disbursement requests for the water project:

Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. ....	\$48,465.00
Chastain & Associates, LLC .....	\$1,543.98

Engineer Bingham will put together an excel table for the Board showing the budget and the progress of the water project.

Once the weather is better, he and Superintendent Heberling will get together with Petersburg Plumbing & Excavating, LLC to walk the project.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Heberling reported the old fire hydrants have been removed and all the valve boxes have been done.

The raw water line coming to town that was damaged because of the tile project is going to be abandoned this month.

He sent off the low-pressure gauge and high-pressure gauge from the gas plant to be calibrated. The low-pressure gauge is 24 years old and will need some work done to it. The cost is \$299.00. He is waiting to find out how much a new one will cost.

Superintendent Heberling will be taking the new employees to Edinburg to watch new gas services being installed.

Superintendent Heberling and employee Alan Barringer will be taking a gas testing in February 18-19, 2021 to get caught up on four training sessions.

WATER – The Water Report for December 22, 2020 – January 22, 2021 billing period was presented.

GAS – The Gas Report for December 22, 2020 – January 22, 2021 billing period was presented.

SEWER – The Sewer Report for December 22, 2020 – January 22, 2021 billing period was presented.

Committee Reports: STREETS & ALLEYS: Nothing to report.

HEALTH & SAFETY – Nothing to report.

FINANCE – Nothing to report.

WATER – Nothing to report.

SEWER – Nothing to report.

GAS – Trustee Blakeman suggested that Superintendent Heberling should record and keep paperwork showing the new employees watching the gas services being installed in Edinburg.

President Dowdy set the date and time for the March Regular Meeting as Monday, March 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

With no further business coming before the Board, a motion was made by Callan, seconded Bailey, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

APPROVED:

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Bruce Dowdy, Village President

ATTEST:

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Jill Gilpin, Village Clerk