

into that infrastructure repairs. There was some money added under Christmas decorations to start replacing a couple of decorations a year to get them up to date. The budget was sent to the Auditor today.

President Dowdy presented a General Fund Budget and asked for approval. Motion by Wilson, seconded by Callan, to approve the General Fund Budget. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Engineer Bingham discussed the Motor Fuel Tax bid received from Louis Marsch, Inc. for the oil chip work to be done this summer. The bid is for \$31,554.00 which was a little more than the estimated cost.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to award the Motor Fuel Tax bid to Louis Marsch, Inc. for \$31,554.00. Motion by Ramsey, seconded by Callan, to award the Motor Fuel Tax bid to Louis Marsch, Inc. for \$31,554.00. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy moved to the discussion of Kari Scott's hours. Kari is part-time and she is not eligible for IMRF retirement. After much discussion, the Board felt it was more feasible to change the Employee Policy to reflect her working hours to 1300 hours in a calendar year.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to change Kari's working hours and the Employee policy to reflect working 1300 hours in a calendar year to be eligible for IMRF retirement.

Motion by Blakeman, seconded by Wilson, to change Kari Scott's working hours and the Employee policy to reflect part-time personnel to work 1300 hours in a calendar year to be eligible for IMRF retirement. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy welcomed Jodi Rusher to the table as a co-chair of the Stonington Summerfest. She announced that this year's event will be held June 18, 19, 20, 2021. The theme for this year's Summerfest is "Roaring Twenties".

They requested to close Lake Street from Wabash to North Street and North Street from Railroad Tracks to Church Street and Walnut Street from 3rd Street to North Street during the weekend events. They will be holding a 3 on 3 basketball for K through eighth this year. On behalf of the committee, she asked for a donation from the Village towards firework expenses.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to donate \$2,000.00 towards the Summerfest fireworks to come out of the General Fund. Motion was made by Callan, seconded by Bailey, to donate \$2,000.00 towards the Summerfest fireworks to come out of the General Fund. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to grant the liquor license to the Summerfest Committee for use June 18, 19, and 20, 2021. Motion by Bailey, seconded by Wilson, to

grant the liquor license to the Summerfest Committee for use June 18, 19, and 20, 2021. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

President Dowdy brought the discussion to the bids received from Trimble Construction, Inc. for the maintenance building. The bid in the amount of \$27,454.62 is for the roof and the bid for \$38,537.67 is for the termite damages. President Dowdy recommended for this year to fix the roof, so it is not leaking water anymore and next year take care of the other bid. If the bids are split into a couple of years, the cost will be less than building a new building.

President Dowdy suggested on the first bid of \$27,452.62 to subtract \$2,265.00 for the gutter and downspout and \$250.00 for hauling off the debris which puts the bid at \$24,939.62 to fix the roof.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to move forward with Trimble Construction, Inc.'s bid to fix the roof on the maintenance building minus the gutter and downspout and hauling off the debris for \$24,939.62. Motion made by Callan, seconded by Wilson, motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

The Village Garage Sales are May 14-15, 2021.

There will not be Village clean-up day. There is a dumpster available for residents to use and is open all the time. Senior citizens and disabled residents can contact the office if they need help with items to be taken to the dumpster.

President Dowdy reported that Trustee Nathan Rybolt has turned in his resignation to the Board. We have 60 days to fill the position.

Village Engineer Report: Engineer Bingham reported on the water project.

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

Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc.	\$16,564.50
Chastain & Associates, LLC	\$4,607.52

President Dowdy asked for a motion to pay the requested disbursements of \$16,564.50 for Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. and \$4,607.52 for the engineering costs. Motion made by Callan, seconded by Ramsey, to pay the requested disbursements of \$16,564.50 for Burdick Plumbing & Heating, Inc. and \$4,607.52 for the engineering costs. Motion passed with 5-0 vote.

Engineer Bingham reported that Stonington was not selected for the Community Project Funding.

Engineer Bingham asked to move forward with the chlorine change at a cost of \$24,955.00. This can be incorporated into the loan.

President Dowdy asked for a motion to move forward moving with the chlorine room into the original grant at \$24,955.00. Motion made by Blakeman, seconded by Wilson, to approve moving forward with moving the chlorine room into the original grant at \$24,955.00. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

The two filters that the EPA would not let go into the loan because of capacity size is \$76,247.31 and that is if a contractor is doing all the work. Some of the install work could be done by the Village. He has more details for that installation.

Village Attorney Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Heberling reported the water main outside of town has been abandoned and capped off.

Trustee Bailey asked about the ditch in front of the Triangle Pub. Superintendent Heberling has placed calls to the company and has not received a call back to get it fixed.

Superintendent Heberling reported the Village employees have been taking some gas training.

Superintendent Heberling reported there are 16 hours on the new mower.

President Dowdy reported that Jeff Nolen is moving forward with his building.

WATER – The Water Report for March 25-April 28, 2021 billing period was presented.

GAS – The Gas Report for March 25-April 28, 2021 billing period was presented.

SEWER – The Sewer Report for March 25-April 28, 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 – Nothing to report.

President Dowdy reported that there are talks between the gas commissions and their buyers looking into the price gauging.

President Dowdy reported that we have 60%-70% of the gas money recovered. Office Manager, Debbie Niles reported there approximately 260 customers who have paid in full and there is a hand full of Village residents that have not paid at all. Some customers are still waiting for assistance with their gas bills.

Office Manager Debbie Niles reported that automatic bank draft payments are available now for the utility bills. Customers can set this up online or they can stop by the office to have it set up for them.

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

With no further business coming before the Board, a motion was made by Ramsey, seconded by Callan, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Motion passed by all "Yea" votes.

APPROVED:

Bruce Dowdy, Village President

ATTEST:

Jill Gilpin, Village Clerk