## VILLAGE OF ERIE

## May 10, 2022

The Board of Trustees met in regular session May 10, 2022. President Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call found the following Trustees present: Joe Froeliger, Jeff Wirth, Becky Cox, Quincy Pool, Tara Kapple, and Woody Besse.

Chief Hawk swore in Michael Barger as the Village's new police officer.

\*\* Trustee Cox made a motion to approve the April 12 and April 25, 2022 minutes

as written. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye - Cox, Pool,

Kapple, Wirth, Froeliger, and Besse; nay – none.

- \*\* Trustee Besse made a motion to approve the April Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Trustee Kapple. Roll call was as follows: aye – Besse, Kapple, Pool, Cox, Wirth, and Froeliger; nay – none.
- \*\* Trustee Kapple made a motion to approve paying the bills. Seconded by Trustee Froeliger. Roll call was as follows: aye – Kapple, Froeliger, Besse, Pool, Cox, and Wirth; nay – none.
- \*\* Sales Tax for January was \$10,444.86. Recycling for March was 22,970 lbs.
- \*\* The Board received a thank you note from the After Prom committee for its

donation.

Joyce Wisdom was present for a cemetery update. Joel informed her that when the wind dies down and Public Works has time the cemetery would be sprayed.

Jen Temple, representing Village businesses, Mark Melton with Revitalize Erie, Jason Robshaw, president of Revitalize Erie, Ron Huisman, past president of Revitalize Erie, Joel Papineau, Public Works director, and Chuck Milem, Superintendent, spoke to the Board. They all expressed their support of the Village hiring intern Katelin Bridgman once her internship is done at the end of July. She has initiated a lot of projects for Village improvement and they would like to see the momentum continue.

Keith Moran went over the Erie Business District Redevelopment Plan and Project synopsis. This is a sales tax based tool that does not affect grocery or medical related items or things licensed by the state of Illinois. It will be a tool to facilitate repair, rehabilitation, and construction of new improvements. Some of the money generated may be used to fund improvements in the business district area through grants. If this is enacted by the fall of 2022 the tax will go into effect January 1, 2023, and the Village will start receiving funds in April 2023. Information on the TIF District is available on the Village website, villageoferie.com, under the business heading. Packets are also available in the Village office, 740 Main Street.

Intern, Katelin Bridgman, handed out a Sesquicentennial brochure that will be mailed to everyone in the 61250 and 61251 zip codes. The Board learned that the 5 new "Welcome to Erie" signs would be a gift from Mel Saad Sr. Trustee Besse made a motion to approve the sign design. Seconded by Trustee Kapple. Roll call was as follows: aye – Besse, Kapple, Pool, Cox, Wirth, and Froeliger; nay – none.

The high school participated in a very successful community clean-up day. The middle school clean-up day will be May 19<sup>th</sup>.

At 6:50 Trustee Besse made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Besse, Pool, Froeliger, Wirth, Cox, and Kapple; nay – none.

At 7:45 Trustee Besse made a motion to return to open session. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Besse, Pool, Kapple, Cox, Wirth, and Froeliger; nay – none.

Trustee Cox made a motion to increase the cemetery sexton allowance to \$400.00/month effective May 1, 2022. Seconded by Trustee Kapple. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Kapple, Pool, Besse, Froeliger, and Wirth; nay – none.

## **Public Works**

Trustee Pool made a motion to accept Stichter Construction's bid of \$76,649.00 for asphalt work this summer and add on more areas to meet the \$106,000.00 the Village budgeted. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Besse, Froeliger, Wirth, Cox, and Kapple; nay – none.

## Police

Chief Hawk is conducting School Resource Officer (SRO) interviews. He is also working on grant paperwork for a new squad car. There will be a public hearing at 5:15, June 14<sup>th</sup>, prior to the next Village Board meeting, to approve the squad car purchase.

Bulky waste pick-up will be June 11. Additional information will be posted on the Village website and Facebook page.

The sidewalk on Main Street, beside Corner Café has not been resolved.

At 8:26 Trustee Cox made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Cox, Pool, Kapple, Wirth, Froeliger, and Besse; nay – none. ATTEST:

Gail Possley, Village Clerk