

VILLAGE OF ERIE

August 8, 2023

The Board of Trustees met in regular session in the Village Hall on August 8, 2023. President Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call found the following Trustees present: Joe Froeliger, Jeff Wirth, Rollie Elder, Quincy Pool, and Woody Besse. Trustee Tara Kapple arrived at 6:45.

President Smith thanked retiring Village Treasurer, Doug Wherry, for his 40 years of service to the Village.

- ** Trustee Pool made a motion to approve the July regular and special meeting minutes as written. Seconded by Trustee Elder. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Elder, Wirth, Froeliger, and Besse, nay – none.
- ** Trustee Froeliger made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for July. Seconded by Trustee Wirth. Roll call was as follows: aye – Froeliger, Wirth, Elder, Pool, and Besse, nay – none.
- ** Trustee Froeliger made a motion to approve paying the July bills as presented. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Froeliger, Besse, Pool, Elder, and Wirth, nay – none.
- ** Sales tax for April 2023 was \$9865.10 and Business District tax was \$5419.90.

Police Report

National Night out went really well. The department received a drone from the fire department and Officer Garrison is officially a drone operator.

Public Works

All roadwork is done. Trustee Wirth made a motion to pay Helm Civil \$116,699.58 for the work. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Wirth, Besse, Froeliger, Elder, and Pool, nay – none.

Trustee Froeliger made a motion to hire Joe Wenzel as a public works employee at \$22.00/hour. He will be starting work on August 16th. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Froeliger, Besse, Pool, Elder, and Wirth, nay – none. Joe has an Iowa sewer and water license and will be working towards acquiring his Illinois license.

At 6:24 Trustee Besse made a motion to go into closed session to discuss the purchase of property. Seconded by Trustee Elder. Roll call was as follows: aye – Besse, Elder, Pool, Froeliger, and Wirth, nay – none.

At 6:37 Trustee Pool made a motion to return to open session. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Besse, Froeliger, Wirth, and Elder, nay – none.

Trustee Pool made a motion to purchase the Township building for \$240,000.00 with the understanding that new LED lights would be installed in the back of the building. Seconded by Trustee Besse. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Besse, Froeliger, and Wirth, nay – Elder.

Trustee Kapple made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the car show. Seconded by Trustee Pool. Roll call was as follows: aye – Kapple, Pool, Besse, Froeliger, Wirth, and Elder, nay – none.

President Smith has been speaking to grant writers. A representative will come to a future meeting and speak to the Board about writing a grant to get new playground equipment for Heritage Park.

Seat belts and passenger numbers for golf carts were discussed. No action was taken at this meeting.

At 7:00 p.m. Trustee Pool made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Kapple. Roll call was as follows: aye – Pool, Kapple, Elder, Wirth, Froeliger, and Besse, nay – none.

Marcia Smith, Village President

ATTEST:

Gail Possley, Village Clerk