Village of Germantown Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees January 21, 2025

The regular monthly Board meeting of the President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Germantown was held on January 21, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Those present included the following: Village President Duane Ripperda (via Facetime – due to work related absence), Trustees: Ken Albers, Michael Albers, Ken Brauer, Roger Rickhoff, Brad Schroeder and Jerald Schroeder. Village Clerk Dawn Lakenburges, Police Chief Dean Darnall and Village Attorney Aaron Epplin and were also present. Public Works Supt. Steve Mullins was absent.

The minutes of the previous month's meetings were available for review. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Jerald Schroeder, seconded by Trustee Michael Albers. Motion carried.

Attorney Aaron Epplin explained that the property closing for the sewer plant road was directly before the regular meeting of the Board. Essentially the Village purchased property from Dave & Sharon Ortmann to move property lines from the Ortmann's to Ed's Pallet property to Mike Zurliene property to Village property.

Village President, Duane Ripperda, said he had a conversation with Jeff "Cotton" Wuebbles regarding rental inspections at his two rental properties. He said Wuebbles is not going to comply so he directed Village Attorney Aaron Epplin to start proceedings. Clerk Lakenburges said she sent Jason Kohrmann a letter back in November regarding the same. Kohrmann slipped through at the initial inspection notifications. She sent a letter to him explaining that and gave him until January 1, 2025 to contact the zoning administer for compliance. Attorney Epplin will also send Kohrmann a letter.

The Zoning Board of Appeals met earlier in the month to discuss some text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding solar and wind energy. Trustee Michael Albers made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Zoning Board. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried. Attorney Aaron Epplin will draft the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance for next month.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Trustee Roger Rickhoff seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Albers then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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