

Village of Germantown
Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees
July 20, 2021

The regular monthly Board meeting of the President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Germantown was held on July 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Those present included the following: Village President Duane Ripperda, Trustees: Ken Albers, Michael Albers, Ken Brauer, Roger Rickhoff, Brad Schroeder and Jerald Schroeder. Clerk Dawn Lakenburg, Village Attorney Aaron Epplin, Police Chief Jeff Wuebbles and Supt. Steve Mullins and were also present. Guest included Justin VonderHaar of HMG, Inc.

The minutes of the previous month's meetings were available for review. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Roger Rickhoff, seconded by Trustee Ken Brauer. Motion carried.

Justin VonderHaar of HMG was present to discuss the water replacement project. Korte-Luitjohan has completed the water line replacement project which included several change orders including replacing the water line under the railroad tracks. Once permission is received by the railroad, Korte-Luitjohan will complete that portion as well. Even with the several change orders, the project should come in under the estimated costs at the beginning of the project, not including the replacement under the railroad tracks. Trustee Brad Schroeder made a motion to accept the Change Order #2 in the amount of -\$27,470.44. Trustee Michael Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Albers then made a motion to accept Pay Request #5 for the water line replacement project in the amount of \$324,774.03. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

VonderHaar then went on to explain the EPA Violation notice regarding the residuals on the Village water supply. HMG will assist Supt. Steve Mullins in drafting a letter to the EPA explaining the Village's timeline to install a water filtration system. VonderHaar estimates the project to be complete by summer 2022. Funding from the project will come from TIF funds and Village general funds.

Village President Duane Ripperda had a few questions regarding the streets for Steve and also asked the Street & Sidewalk Committee to look at a couple ditches in town that may need closing.

Police Chief Jeff Wuebbles said he and Officer Dawson Huelskamp are still working on the car break-ins that happened on Sunday. Wuebbles said the security cameras the Village has been installing around the town have been instrumental in solving these cases. He's hoping to add a few additional cameras to the Village in the next few months. Trustee Michael Albers said he has received several compliments from the County regarding the cameras and GPD work on a previous case.

Supt. Steve Mullins gave his report next. He thanked Chief Wuebbles and Trustee Jerald Schroeder for their help with the streets.

Trustee Michael Albers asked Supt. Mullins to give Carl Molitor Trucking an opportunity to deliver rock to the Village for the MFT program.

Village Clerk Dawn Lakenburges said she was asked by Keith Knobloch to bring up reimbursing for curbing they installed several years ago. At the time Keith & Melinda Knobloch and Duane & Diane Ripperda installed their curbing the Village was not undertaking any curbing projects. The Village told the homeowners, that at the time the Village started doing curbing projects, the Village would reimburse them. Trustee Jerald Schroeder agreed and made a motion to reimburse both homeowners for their curbing. Trustee Michael Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Clerk Lakenburges said she will have an ordinance prepared for next month for the funding of the water filtration project. The TIF and Finance Committee previously approved using TIF funds for the project.

Attorney Aaron Epplin will review the IML recommendations on the small wireless facilities ordinance the Village passed at an earlier date.

At 7:40pm Trustee Michael Albers then made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters - section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act. Trustee Roger Rickhoff seconded the motion and the motion carried.

At 8:00pm, Trustee Jerald Schroeder made a motion exit the executive session and re-enter the regular meeting. Trustee Roger Rickhoff seconded the motion and the motion carried.

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

Trustee Michael Albers then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Brad Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:05pm.


