

**Village of Germantown
Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees
September 19, 2023**

The regular monthly Board meeting of the President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Germantown was held on September 19, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Those present included the following: Village President Duane Ripperda, Clerk Dawn Lakenburg, Trustees: Ken Albers, Michael Albers, Ken Brauer, Roger Rickhoff, Brad Schroeder and Jerald Schroeder. Supt. Steve Mullins, Police Chief Dean Darnall and Officer Kyle Banker. Village Attorney Aaron Epplin was also present. Guests included five Central High School students here observing.

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

Village President Duane Ripperda thanked Dean Darnall's family for coming and appointed Dean to the position of Chief of Police for the remainder of President Ripperda's term. Trustee Brad Schroeder made a motion to approve with Trustee Ken Brauer seconding the motion. Motion carried.

Ripperda explained that the property closing for the Tom & Jan Eversgerd property was yesterday. The Village owns the property surrounding the current Debris Yard.

Police Chief Dean Darnall gave his report for the month. He reported the new truck was in service. The decals, lights, sirens, cage, etc have all been installed.

Supt. Steve Mullins gave his report next. Mullins said the work on Sycamore St. will be complete soon. There will be one more small oiling date before the end of the year. There is a curbing project on Walnut from West to Molitor on the calendar for the year as well.

The signs and ballards have been installed near the UTV/Golf Cart Path.

The Filtration Plant Project is moving along. The pumps and motors are in. Still working on some electrical items.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder asked about vacating the alley that runs through the legion property. This is something that should have been done years ago and wasn't. Attorney Aaron Epplin will prepare the paperwork for the vacation.

Trustee Roger Rickhoff, Street & Sidewalk Committee Chairman, said the committee met last week at the entrance of school to discuss the entrance and rebuilding the fence. The committee agreed that the entrance pillars and fence should be lowered to accommodate a sight line onto Munster St. Supt. Mullins will discuss with Supt. Becker.

TIF, Zoning & Subdivision Committee Chairman, Ken Brauer, said the committee met to discuss an application from Germantown Market owners: Tina Toennies, Brittany Toennies and Madison

Toennies. The Committee is recommending a grant TIF deal in the amount of \$30,000, payable monthly (\$1,000) to their mortgage company. Trustee Roger Rickhoff made a motion to approve the TIF deal. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion the motion carried.

Village Attorney Aaron Epplin said he will be working on the new zoning code for next month.

Trustee Brad 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 Ken Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.


