The West City Village Board met for their regular meeting on Monday, November 14th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was opened by Pres. Ron House. Roll Call: Pres. Ron House, present; Samantha Swofford, Deputy Village Clerk, present; Cindy Rudloff, Treasurer, present. Board Members present: Darren Romani, Linda Sullivan, and Jesse Young. Absent: Dale Watkins and Bill Baker. Police Chief, Jon Graskewicz, present; Administrator of Fire Department, Russell Bright, present; Street & Utility Supt., Jason Young, present; Zoning Adm., Scott Sandusky, present, Attorney, Ron Giacone, present.

Mayor House Request to move Item 7-1 appointment to fill vacant seat

Motion made by Darren Romani, second by Jesse Young to grant the mayors request to move the appointment of the vacant seat. All board members present voted yea- motion carried.

Mayor Ron House’s appointment of Terri Rice to husband Gordon Rice’s vacant seat.

Motion made by Darren Romani, second by Linda Sullivan to appoint Terri Rice to vacant seat. All board members present voted yea- motion carried.

Motion by Linda Sullivan, second by Darren Romani, I make a motion we approve the minutes. All Board Members present voted yea—motion carried.

Motion made by Darren Romani, second by Jesse Young, I make a motion we approve all bills and claims as presented. All board members present voted yea – motion carried.

Recognition of those in the audience who have complaints, problems, request for permits, etc. - None

Motion by Darren Romani, second by Linda Sullivan I make a motion we approve the treasurer’s report as presented. All board members present voted yea—motion carried.

Presentation of clerk’s report- Presented and accepted

Zoning administrator’s report – Presented and accepted.

Police chief’s report- Presented and accepted.

Administrator of fire department’s report- Presented and accepted.

Street & Utilities superintendent’s report- Presented and accepted.

Mayor’s Request to remove Daniel Holloway from the Volunteer Fire Department at Daniel Holloway’s request. Motion made by Linda Sullivan, second by Darren Romani, to remove Daniel Holloway from the Volunteer Fire Department. All board members present voted yea- motion carried.

Mayor’s Request to remove Bobby Wright from the Street Department Panel Department due to Bobby Wright getting a full-time job. Motion made by Darren Romani, second by Jesse Young, to remove Bobby Wright from the Street Department Panel. All board members present voted yea- motion carried.

Mayor- Fire Department would like to purchase a new Fire hose tester. Motion made by Darren Romani, second by Linda Sullivan that we purchase a new fire hose tester in the amount of $4,735.75 and shipping costs. All board members present voted yea- motion carried

Mayor- Informational: Benton Fire Chief Shane Cockrum called Russell Bright and reported that Benton Fire Department will not uphold any more agreements made in the last two years. Russell Bright requested that Chief Shane Cockrum put everything in writing. No Action.

Mayor- New BOF Training starting January 2023. Request for two volunteer firefighters to attend. Attendance is every other weekend in Swansea, IL and online when not in person. – No Action

Mayor- Discuss and possible act on annual membership and inspector contribution to Southern Illinois Drug Task Force, District 13, Du Quoin, IL. Motion made by Darren Romani, second by Jesse Young that West City contributes the $5,000.00 budgeted to Southern Illinois Drug Task Force, District 13, Du Quoin, IL. All board members present voted yea- motion carried.

Mayor- Discuss repairs to Dispatch from lightning strike in August 2022, all repairs have been completed. Insurance has covered expenses in the amount of $3,943.73

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS AND REQUEST FOR ACTION BY STANDING COMITTEES OF THE BOARD

Street Department- discuss and possibly act on repairing the creek/large ditch behind 1131 W. Webster

-Tabled until December

Street Department- discuss and possibly act on purchase of Rock Salt from the Franklin County Highway Department

Motion made by Darren Romani, second by Jesse Young, to approve the purchase of rock salt from the Franklin County Highway in the amount of $93.00/ ton.

Finance- Information on Insurance

Discuss and possibly act on donations to Benton Junior Football league in the amount of $500.00 and Benton High School Cheerleaders in the amount of $500.00 for the work done at West City Fall Festival.

Motion made by Linda Sullivan, second by Darren Romani to donate $500.00 to both Benton Junior Football League and Benton High School Cheerleaders.

Discuss information on IPR Grant. Illinois public risk grant for the following year will be awarded to the police department.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Surplus Real Estate for public bidding

Resolution No: 380 Authorizing the publication for sale of unused village real estate.

Motion made by Linda Sullivan, second by Darren Romani to approve Resolution No: 380

All board members present voted yea- motion carried.

Ordinance change reflecting the new water rates.

Ordinance No: 699 Increasing water and sewer rates for the village.

Motion made by Darren Romani, second by Jesse Young to approve Ordinance No: 699

All board members present voted yea- motion carried

Health and Safety – None

Utilities- None

No Unfinished Business.

No Executive Session.

Adjournment- 6:37pm

Motion made by Linda Sullivan, second by Darren Romani. I make a motion for adjournment. All board members present voted yea.

Ron House, Mayor

Samantha Swofford, Deputy Village Clerk