

VILLAGE OF VANLUE

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Robert Brooks, (Mayor)

Melinda Boyd, (Fiscal Officer)

January 27, 2020

On January 27, 2020 Council met in regular session, called to order by Mayor Robert Brooks at 7:00 PM.

Roll call by Mayor Brooks of Council Members:

Amy Wiseley

Dan Fellrath

Melissa Sunderhaus

Melissa Caudill

Village Employees in attendance:

Melinda Boyd (Fiscal Officer)

Jim Hunter (Water Operator)

Sara Phillips (Village Administrator)

Don Rasmussen (Village attorney)

Village Residents in attendance were:

In attendance were, Village Residents: Keith Hendricks, Leo Hendricks, Robert Green, Becky Lloyd, David Nye and Cindy Frantz. Roger Tanner and 2 people with him were there as well but did not sign in. Deputy Cooper also attended. William Bateson, candidate for County Commissioner.

Mr. Bateson is a farmer in Arlington. He is running for County Commissioner and married to Lee Ann Bateson. He wants to bring back value to the farmers. And would like to look into if the County is being efficient with people's money.

Mayor Brooks performed the swearing in of Council Women Jeri Wenger and Ann Burrell on this date.

Mayor Robert Brooks gave his State of the Village; a copy has been put in his file.

Three people were nominated for Council President. Those 3 were Dan Fellrath, Melissa Sunderhaus, and Melissa Caudill. Council wrote their choice on pieces of paper and Mayor Brooks read them aloud and the 2020 Council President position was retained by Dan Fellrath.

All reports, minutes and agendas are given to Council prior to the meeting so they can be reviewed by Council members and the Mayor. The same reports are available to the public at the meeting.

The reading of and a motion to accept the minutes of the January 27, 2020, meeting was made by Amy Wiseley and Jeri Wenger seconded it.
All 6 Council members accepted and responded yes.

Reading of and motion to accept the agenda for the January 27, 2020 meeting was made by Jeri Wenger and Dan Fellrath Seconded it.
All 6 Council Members accepted and responded yes.

Reading of and a motion to accept the payment of the bills as presented
Ann Burrell motioned and Amy Wiseley seconded it.
All 6 Council Members accepted and responded yes.

Reading and motion to accept the financial documents/bank reconciliation/fund summary as presented.
Melissa Sunderhaus motioned to accept and Dan Fellrath seconded it.
All 6 Council Members accepted and responded yes.

Public Participation:

Cindy Frantz, 308 W North St, Vanlue
Worried about a possibility of a broken tile in the well field due to all the water in her yard.

David Nye, 304 W North St, Vanlue
Was present to discuss the flooding at the West end of town. He brought pictures to show Council. The last flood was May 30, 2019. They have to put everything on blocks in their shed so nothing gets wet from flood water. The leaves in the ditch need to be cleaned out regularly. He also went on to say that the former Mayor texted him on 1/10/2020 at 7:20 pm. Telling Dave to make sure his OCD has the ditches cleaned out so that end of town doesn't flood. Becky Nye, same address said phase II will help but the tile at Roger Lessig's needs to be replaced with a larger one and the catch basins need cleaned regularly.

Keith Hendricks, Vanlue

Phase II needs to be watched over so they don't cut a tile. He thinks a tile needs to be ran back to tri county tiles out North. Mayor Brooks thinks that 1 tile has been fixed but possibility of another one.

Someone brought up the question of putting a handicap parking spot for the post office. Main Street is a State Route and there isn't really enough room to put one there. People are going to park wherever they want to park regardless of a handicap spot.

Roger Tanner, 110 Center St, brought up that Council and the employees need to review the Public Utilities law guidelines. He states we are not following those guidelines and he and the previous owner did not sign a contract to have City water. He also brought up that he cleaned up old tires and other items when he bought the property. This was all an EPA problem that he cleaned up. Mr. Tanner also stated he does not have Water or Sewage through the Village. He stated he uses his well and septic tank. He kept going on and on and finally Don Rasmussen shut him down.

Departmental Reports:

VCO Sharon May: (Ann Burrell gave report)

Some upcoming dates for the park are as follows:

- New floor in the kitchen is complete
- February 29, 2020 the VCO Firecracker Supper. Fund raiser to raise money for the Vanlue festival fireworks.
- Trick or Treat has been set for October 29, 2020 Judging is at 6:00 pm and parade at 6:15 at the Vanlue School.
- Town Cleanup has also been set by Council for May 2, 2020 at the Water plant. Becky will print flyers up
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Maintenance- Keith Thomas:

- Quiet month
- Plowed once
- Had the oil changed in the truck

Zoning Jeri Wenger:

- Couple of people interested in permits. Seth Arnold being one. He wants to add a building and new drive but may have an issue with the storm drain location.

Committee Reports:

Streets & Sidewalks – Amy Wiseley

Finance– Melissa Sunderhaus

- Melissa has been reviewing and initialing each paid bill and incoming receipts.

Community and Public relations– Melissa Caudill

Buildings and Grounds: Jeri Wenger:

Records - Dan Fellrath

Trees,

Village Administrator, Sara Phillips

- There were 15 shut off notices issued
- Lake Sunderhaus will be the new meter reader. He is currently being trained by Luke Pilmore. Once Lake feels comfortable with the position we will release Luke. They have done shut off notices and a reading together.
- Dennis Altvator Made payment and signed the contract for the well field.
- Discuss the possibility of adopting a new updated shut off notice policy. When someone receives a notice on their door, they would be charged \$20 for the notice itself and if they get shut off, they will get charged \$30.00 each for turn off and turn on. The delinquent date will also change from 20 days to 3 days. So payment would be needed by the 10th of the month. Then they would have till noon on the 13th of the month before being shut off.

Mayor's Robert Brooks Report

- Next Council meeting is February 24, 2020 at & 7 pm at the Town Hall.

Fiscal Officer Melinda Boyd Report

- Approve for Council to agree to maintain Phase II ditch project once completed. This entails removing any debris from the window drains once per week and residents will still maintain the ditch, such as mowing, trimming and removing debris. Motion made by Melissa Caudill and Melissa Sunderhaus seconded it All said yes

- Adam Higgins has made payments on the new door glass.
- Phase II will start in 2020 sometime. Initially thought February but I was incorrect. Bids will be Sought by the Commissioners and the contract awarded. I have received all the permission forms back from land owners.
- On December 16, 2019 at 7:26 pm Mayor Elect Robert Brooks was sworn in to office by Mayor Louis Abraham. He will officially take office on January 1, 2020.
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At 8:05 pm the Mayor requested an Executive session.

Melissa Caudill motioned to enter into an executive session and Jeri Wenger seconded it. All 6 Council people said yes.

At 8:16 pm Melissa Caudill asked to exit executive session and Ann Burrell seconded. All council said yes.

Motion to adjourn the January 27, 2020 meeting at 8:17 pm was made by Jeri Wenger Melissa Sunderhaus seconded.
All 6 said yes

MAYOR

FISCAL OFFICER