

VILLAGE OF VANLUE

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Robert Wells, Mayor

Leo Hendricks, Village Administrator

Melinda Boyd, (Fiscal Officer)

May 20, 2024

On May 20, 2024, the Council met in regular session at the Vanlue Village Town Hall and was called to order by Mayor Robert Wells at 7:00 PM.

Roll call of Council Members Present by Mayor Wells:

Amy Wiseley
Becky Nye

Ann Burrell
Robert Greene Absent

Jeri Wenger (P)
Melissa Caudill

Village Employees in attendance:

Leo Hendricks (Village Administrator)
John Filkins (Village Solicitor)
Mindy Boyd, Fiscal Officer
Craig Bowman (Zoning)

Village Residents or other in attendance were:

Sharon May
Mitchell Alan?
Lucas Tyson

All reports, minutes and agendas are sent electronically to all of the 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 May 20, 2024 meeting was made by Becky Nye and Bob Greene
Motion passed 6 - 0.

Reading of and motion to accept the agenda for the May 20, 2024 meeting was made by Melissa Caudill and Jeri Wenger seconded by
Motion Passed 6 – 0

Reading of and motion for approval of current expenditures Amy Wiseley motioned to accept the seconded by Becky Nye.

Motion passed 6 – 0.

Reading and motion to accept the financial documents/bank reconciliation/fund summary as presented. Jeri Wenger motioned to accept, and Ann Burrell seconded it.

Motion passed 6 - 0.

Public Participation:

Departmental Reports:

VCO Sharon May:

- Council and Sharon discussed if Trick or Treat should be the 24th or 31st. A decision will be made closer to Halloween.
- Sharon has also been working with the Garden Club to “dress” up the Boulevard
- Larry and Sharon. Christ Church will be putting small American Flags at each residence for Memorial Day.
- Sharon asked if the park had paid a payment on the mower yet and I informed they have not.

2024 VCO yearly calendar

- June 14 and 15th Village garage sales
- July 25, 26, 27 Vanlue Fest
- September 21 Veterans Parkway chicken BBQ
- October 24th or 31st Trick or treat.
- November
- December 1 Christmas in the Park
- December 22 Village Christmas caroling

Zoning:

- Andrew Cain is not mowing the ditch.
- Roger Tanner would like to put a privacy fence up. Craig told them no, not till things are cleaned up and zoning issues resolved . The streets will be paved this summer and Craig informed Mitchell that everything needs to be off the street.

Committee Reports:

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Trees, Streets & Sidewalks – Amy Wiseley & Ann Burrell

- Mindy answered Ann's request on what is available for sidewalks. From the general fund there is \$5500.00 from the General fund and the Hwy fund is also \$5500.00. The Highway fund is only for sidewalks along 330. Amy and Ann are meeting on the 21st of May to look at sidewalks.

Finance and Community & Public Relations–Melissa Caudill & Rebecca Nye:

- Becky and Melissa are both posting on Facebook.
- Becky has been reviewing payments and receipts
- **Buildings and Grounds and Records: Jeri Wenger (P) & Robert Greene:**

Nothing new with Buildings and Grounds. Jeri is still working on getting her report typed up.

Village Administrator, Leo Hendricks

Shaferly repaired the leak in the water system. The service line feeding the Wildcat Café was the culprit. Went from 52,000 daily to +/- 19,500 average daily production. Back to normal range.

Village Cleanup Day went well again this year. Received \$48.00 for scrap metal. Participated in an informal informational meeting with most of the property owners on the north side of the 100 block of West North Street regarding interest in alley vacations. Most are in favor, need feedback from a few yet.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Submitted the required annual report for ARPA spending.

Have used all but \$72 of ARPA funds – all on water/sewer related.

Water Related

Mike Bakies has created the 2023 CCR report which is now available on the website, and stickers will be added to the May bills directing consumers to the direct link to view or request hard copies.

Mike Bakies continues working on the softeners to alleviate taste/smell issues and get softeners fully functional. The softeners are performing better with decreased daily flow.

Finally received correct replacement pipes for the softeners lines and will be installed in the near future.

Awaiting further word on status of the SWAP grant requesting \$14,900. The state is still reviewing applications. If approved, should know sometime in May, and will have six months to spend monies. A committee will need to be formed by the Mayor consisting of community and business persons to help develop the Protection Plan.

Had 16 delinquencies this month with ONE disconnect.

Website: 46 people have signed up so far for text or email alerts and news.

Paystar Statistics to date - during the April payment month:

40 customers or 22% of the total water/sewer customers used the

Paystar option for \$4,163 in collections.

The 27-month average is 33 customers or 18.5% utilizing Payster each month.

Total transactions of 901 and collections to date are \$95,842.

May 2024 Report

Sewer/Storm Sewer Related

Will be working with Hancock County Engineers office in coming months for catch basin cleaning.

Streets

Received the application form for 2025 OPWC paving grant program. Recommended target area would be repaving South Blanchard Street and possibly part of Crawford Street by the water tower, depending on estimates. Will approach the township about participating to include the turnaround at D & H.

Request approval to explore the best method for disposing of unneeded old equipment – Backhoe attachment, flail mower, and Farmall mower tractor.

If item(s) are valued at less than \$1,000 we can take sealed bids.

If selling, we must advertise in the local paper(s) for at least two weeks and take sealed bids.

We can auction off by means of an internet auction service, buyer premiums of 9-10%.

Use as trade in value for replacement of the Kubota mower with another comparable capability mower.

If purchasing new, can try to leverage state purchasing contracts.

Veterans Parkway

The garden club will be adding some flowers and landscaping this spring.

Mayor's report and New Business

- Next meeting is Monday June 24, 2024 at 7 pm at the town hall.
- There have not been any updates on the approving of HB197 regarding the solar panels.

Old Business:

Fiscal Officer Melinda Boyd

- Bob is on the schedule for cleaning in May
- The Village received \$47.73 as of now, from the County's reassessment fund.

10 Motion to approve Sheldon Gas ordinance 2024-05 was made by Ann Burrell and seconded by Melissa Caudill
Motion passed 6-0

11 Motion to approve the selling of the Village's obsolete equipment was made by Becky Nye and seconded by Amy Wiseley

A motion was made by Jeri Wenger and seconded by Melissa Caudill to adjourn the May 20, 2024 Village of Vanlue Council meeting at 7:54 pm
Motion passed 6-0

MAYOR

FISCAL OFFICER