

# VILLAGE OF VANLUE

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**Robert Brooks, (Mayor)**

**Melinda Boyd, (Fiscal Officer)**

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## **July 27, 2020 Council Meeting**

On July 27, 2020 Council met in regular session at the Village Town Hall and was called to order by Mayor Robert Brooks at 7:00 PM.

### **Roll call by Mayor Brooks of Council Members:**

Amy Wiseley  
Dan Fellrath (P)

Jeri Wenger  
Melissa Sunderhaus

Ann Burrell  
Melissa Caudill

### **Village Employees in attendance:**

Melinda Boyd (Fiscal Officer)  
Leo Hendricks (Village Administrator)

### **Village Residents in attendance were:**

Deputy Chad Randall, Hancock County Sheriff Deputy, Sharon May and Vivian Sheffel both residents of the Village.

**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 June 22, 2020, meeting was made by Dan Fellrath motioned to accept and Amy Wiseley seconded it.

All 6 Council members accepted and responded yes.

Reading of and motion to accept the agenda for the July 27, 2020 meeting was made by Jeri Wenger and Ann Burrell seconded it

All 6 Council Members accepted and responded yes.

Reading of and a motion to accept the payment of the bills as presented  
Dan Fellrath motioned to accept and Melissa Sunderhaus 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 Caudill motioned to accept and Ann Burrell seconded it.  
All 6 Council Members accepted and responded yes.

### **Public Participation:**

Vivian Sheffel of 320 N High Street, stated her trees in front of her house needed trimmed because the campers hit and knock limbs out when going by. Plus, birds are making a mess of the area. Also stated the neighbor, Matt Girdler building is falling down at 324 N High St. He also has boards with nails in them sticking up, as well as his fence being close to her fence and she is unable to trim the weeds. The Mayor will stop down and look at it.

### **Departmental Reports:**

#### **VCO Sharon May:**

- Sharon May informed Council that the Vanlue Community Day is cancelled. The health department said no fests, parades or fireworks. The VCO will be having a chicken barbecue drive thru only and King and Queen awards, as well as Prince and Princess awards. The Fireworks have been postponed and the Band has been cancelled.
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#### **Water operator, Jim Hunter:**

Jim had increased the water reserve in the tower to 65,000 gallons to cover a potential 3-day supply in case

of power outage while the radiator was being repaired.

o Water plant generator radiator repaired and back in service on July 24th. Many thanks to Keith Hendricks

and Brad Ellerbrock for assistance in removal and reinstallation. Total cost of repairs, parts, and labor – approximately \$525.

o End of EPA emergency water declaration effective July 10 th . Had 14 delinquencies from June billing. Notified

users of disconnect on July 14 if not resolved. Only had to disconnect 2 which were quickly paid or

negotiated payment plan.

o Robbie Brooks sewer and water taps were performed on June 29 th and 30 th . Street repairs to be performed

after heat wave dissipates.

- o Well field hay harvested – 2nd cutting of 2020.
- o Broken field tile in area of well head #1. Evaluating for repairs.

### **Sewer,**

- o Future - Needed repairs to lagoon ponds valve pit tower handrails.
- o Several dead trees targeted for removal from borrow pit area.
- o Need to address tree growth along ditch outside of lagoon fence. Will be contacting Soil and Water agency about ditch maintenance program.

### **Brad Ellerbrock, Maintenance**

- Mowing
- Placed stone at two residents parking areas along streets.
- Assisted in generator radiator repairs

### **Village Administrator, Leo Hendricks:**

- Performed 4 OUPS utility locates.
- Had a tree service place several truckloads of brush from out of town on the recycle pile without permission.
- Contractor had been given one-time permission for previous small job in Vanlue. Contractor was warned about latest infraction and was advised that he is no longer allowed to utilize brush pile for disposal. Signs were posted advising of NO commercial dumping of brush.
- Met with insurance pool representative to inspect village and park buildings for accuracy of lists and to update values.
- Compiled items list for submission of PEP safety grant. Maximum grant of \$1,000; list was for \$999.22
- Performed minor repairs to the tractor.
- Flood Control – Phase II
- Met with Steve Wilson and contractor at kick off meeting on July 23rd. Project now scheduled to start in early August.
- Low bid was submitted by B Hill’z Excavating of Bradner for \$179,901. Estimated cost was \$200,000.
- Will replace Main Street bridge and sidewalk with culvert tile.
- Contractor will be utilizing an area of the non-hayfield area of the well field adjacent to the alley and the water plant for staging of pipe, and materials.
- Working with Steve Wilson on the issue of Roger Lessig’s culvert needing to be enlarged due to restriction of ditch flow.

### **Zoning Robbie Brooks:**

- Hunter Hoop was given a permit for a fence and shed 104 E Main St

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Streets & Sidewalks – Amy Wiseley**

#### **Finance– Melissa Sunderhaus**

- All is ok.

#### **Community and Public relations– Melissa Caudill**

- Nothing new

#### **Buildings and Grounds: Jeri Wenger:**

- Nothing new to advise of

#### **Records - Dan Fellrath**

- Nothing new

#### **Trees Ann Burrell:**

Several trees will be trimmed and a couple will be removed at various locations around the village.

#### **Mayor's Robert Brooks Report**

- Next Council meeting September 28, 2020 at 7 pm at the Park.
- Thank you to Keith Hendricks for donating his time.
- Don Rasmussen explained about a filing a proof of claim in the Purdue Bankruptcy. 5 billion will go to entities and can benefit entities. Initially it didn't go as far down to the Villages but now a village can file by July 30, 2020. It costs \$456.00 to file and an attorney in Columbus. A vote will be taken approving.

**Mayor Brooks old business:**

- Discussion regarding reducing the Sheriff contract started with Jeri Wenger disagreeing with reducing the number of hours they are visiting in the Village. She feels the hours need to stay the same at 8 hours per week. She is concerned about the crime here in town. The Deputies will visit 4 hours per week per the new contract and if they are out this way they would take a drive through town on their time. A vote will be taken.

**Fiscal Officer Melinda Boyd Report**

Approve to reduce Sheriff contract to 4 hours per week excluding overtime.  
A motion was made by Melissa Caudill and seconded by Amy Wiseley.  
The vote was 5-1 to reduce. Motion passed.

A motion was made to allow Leo Hendricks to have a Village credit card with \$1000.00 limit  
Ann Burrell motioned to accept and Dan Fellrath seconded.  
The motion passed 6-0

A motion to approve the file proof of claim in Purdue Bankruptcy was made by  
Melissa Caudill to accept and Amy Wiseley seconded it.  
6 present council members voted yes to approve

Motion to adjourn the July 27, 2020 meeting at 8:08 pm was made by Jeri Wenger and  
seconded by Amy Wiseley.  
All 6 said yes

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**MAYOR**

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**FISCAL OFFICER**