

VILLAGE OF KALEVA COUNCIL MEETING

21 MARCH 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

Present: R. Schafer, E. Dufresne, D. Howes, D. Grossnickle, J. McKinley, K. Weaver, *K. Dufresne*

Absent: K. Somsel, D. Nye

Visitors: K. Mleck, W. Beldo, R. Durant, M. Hamilton(DPW)

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes. Motion made by D. Grossnickle, seconded by E. Dufresne. Motion Carried

Approval of Financials. Motion made by D. Grossnickle, seconded by D. Howes. Motion carried

Reserved time: K. Mleck Presented Resolution for USDA loan for \$1,717,000.00 towards Water Project. Motion made by E. Dufresne, seconded by D. Howes.

D. Howes - aye. D. Grossnickle - aye. R. Schafer - aye
J. McKinley - aye. E. Dufresne - aye

Missing: K. Somsel, D. Nye

Motion carried

K. Mleck also presented SDWR Resolution for \$420,000.00 to replace lead pipes in village. Motion made by E. Dufresne, seconded by D. Howes.

D. Howes - aye. D. Gosnickle - aye. R. Schafer - aye
J. McKinley - aye. E. Dufresne - aye

Missing: K. Somsel, D. Nye

Motion carried.

K. Mleck presented Amendment to the Engineering Agreement. Original agreement for well depth of 220 feet. It was decided to go to 300 feet to access more favorable geological conditions. \$15,139 was added to agreement. Motion made to approve by E. Dufresne, seconded by D. Howes. Discussion about why additional depth vs cost. Motion Carried.

K. Mleck presented Amendment to remove \$4000.00 from USDA to SDWR for a technical component required to qualify for grant. Motion made by E. Dufresne, seconded by D. Howes. Motion Carried.

Funding should close in April for USDA, May for SDWR.

R. Durant- President of Kaleva Art Gallery was updating Council about what has been uncovered as remodeling has started at 9219 Aura St. A large picture window was uncovered from when building was a drug store, still intact with words Fountain Service. A brick fireplace found and the possibility of hardwood floors. The Gallery is hoping to apply for a grant to preserve these things. The lease is at Village lawyer for approval. It is noted that the council is aware of remodeling and approves.

Kaleva Heritage Day appears to have double the vendors as last year. Asking about using outlets on light poles which are solar so will not work during day. Need to find alternatives. The meeting for this is Wednesday 23 March at 10:00A.M.

Unreserved - none

Reports: Fire - responded to a brush fire and several medical assists.

Streets - Street Sweeping should start after last of ice melts.

DPW - Asking where placement of trail cameras are wanted. Walkway, trail and recycling center at this time. ORVs are not allowed on new snowmobile trail. D. Grossnickle stated that he thought all ORVs were allowed on trails. Will discuss at next meeting. Benches at Ball field are being refurbished and individual who originally painted donators name is willing to repaint them. Next month will be busy cleaning up from winter damages.

Water - The laptop being used by water supervisor has cracked mother board so he replaced it. New iPad has been delivered. Having problems getting Verizon to provide municipality with phone number and internet to it. They will be flushing hydrants in may. M. Hamilton will be taking tests in May. Many complaints from community regarding bleach in water. Standards are posted on bulletin board in hallway.

Park - Opens 1 April. Hoping for good camping year. Motion made by J. McKinley, seconded by D. Grossnickle to get consumers energy to trench in power

needed to provide sites in back of park with power. Motion carried. Need written estimates for 2 - 3 electricians so grant can be applied for this fall.

Zoning - There is one land use permit pending.

Planning Commission - Did not meet. Next meeting in April. Expecting Master Plan from Network North to be finished by July then Joint Zoning can begin.

Communication - Letter from Bois Blanc Township to enlist our backing to request change to state legislature. Smaller communities are having difficulty filling boards. Board elected not to take part at this time. Please send thank you note for including us.

New Business: Increase hourly salaries for both DPW workers considering current economy. Motion made by D. Grossnickle, seconded by J. McKinley. Discussion about evaluations yearly, or changes in job by learning new skill. Concerns about M. Hamilton and water supervisor position. Suggested from a committee to discuss water supervisor position. Motion carried. M. Hamilton would like village to provide insurance if possible.
Motion Carried.

Motion made to adjourn by D. Grossnickle, seconded by D. Howes. Motion carried.


Karen Dufresne
Village Clerk