7:30 p.m. The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Klein, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was answered aye by Hampton, Weber, Geppert, Main, Politsch and Hall. Sandy Stolte, Tyler Liefer, Jake Owens, Officer Hamon, Lieutenant Buehler and Chief Simburger were also present.

The audit committee reviewed the bills.

Trustee Hall made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to pay the audit bills as presented. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Geppert, Main, Politsch, Hall and Weber.

The board reviewed the minutes from the April 17th board meeting.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Main to approve the board minutes from the April 17th meeting as presented. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hall, Hampton, Geppert, Politsch and Main.

**VISITORS**
Jamie Burkett, Stan and Laurel Ruhmann, John Feder, Josh Dachsteiner, Rob Stroder, Mark Schreder, Geoff and Mary Sue Iverson

Josh Dachsteiner presented a DARE donation of $1,204. The DARE fundraiser was a huge success.

Jamie Burkett said the five bars put in to cover the 48” culvert was raised sometime Friday evening or Saturday morning during the rain storm and she wants to know why it was raised. Tyler Liefer said no one in public works raised the grate. Jamie said she and her husband will keep an eye on it so there shouldn’t be anything that would block the drainage. Jamie would like the grate locked in place and would also like to see more vertical bars added as well as some horizontal bars. As it is now a kid can still fit through the bars. Tyler will figure out a way to lock it in place and improve the grate.

**LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS**
Tyler Liefer noted IDOT estimated the property value to be $2,000 on the property the Village is looking to acquire to place signs on. Tyler will contact Jerry Costello to see if he can help the Village acquire the property for little to no cost.

**WATER & SEWER**
Tyler Liefer noted the EPA chemical water test for the year is $700.40.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Politsch to approve the EPA chemical water test for $700.40. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hall, Hampton, Geppert, Politsch and Main.
STREETS & ALLEYS
Road oiling is scheduled for August 8th.

Tyler said the truck route ordinance does have a weight limit. It is a class three truck route.

Trustee Politsch noted a couple places on East Street and Chester Street that hold water into the street.

CEMETERY
Nothing new to report

PARK
Nothing new to report

PUBLIC SAFETY
Jake Owens noted EMS week is May 21st – 27th. Also the Ambulance Service has served the community for 40 years this year. Jake would like to give the 31 active EMT’s a small gift to recognize their service.

Trustee Hall made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to approve the purchase of gifts for the EMT’s spending up to $600 out of the special event fund. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hall, Hampton, Geppert, Politsch and Main.

July 7th Cencom will reprogram the radios.

POLICE
Trustee Weber noted the committee met April 25th along with the personnel committee to interview part-time police.

Chief Simburger reported DARE graduation is May 16th at 8:30 a.m.

PERSONNEL
Trustee Weber noted the committee met April 25th and interviewed part-time policemen. The committee recommended hiring Nicolas Mounts and Jacob Renner pending background checks and drug testing results.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to hire Nicolas Mounts and Jacob Renner pending background checks and drug testing results. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hall, Hampton, Geppert, Politsch and Main.

GRANTS
Nothing new to report

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Nothing new to report
ORDINANCE REVIEW
Nothing new to report

TREASURERS TIME
Nothing new to report

CLERKS TIME
Nothing new to report

MAYOR’S TIME
Mayor Klein reported the pump station in the park for internal drainage was not working over the weekend. Tyler called in a couple electricians and was able to get the pumps fixed in time before the flood waters reached the concession stand.

OTHER BUSINESS
Jake Owens called in a plumber for a sewer clog which ended up being on the village’s side. Jake would like to be reimbursed the $100 he was billed. Tyler Liefer confirmed the clog was on the Village’s side.

Trustee Geppert made a motion; seconded by Trustee Main approve to issue a $100 sewer credit to Jake Owens. A vote was answered aye by Weber, Hall, Hampton, Geppert, Politsch and Main.

Attorney Dennis was not present to give an update for the marina.

Trustee Politsch reported on the deplorable shape the houses are in at 205 North East Street, 209 North East Street and 300 South Elizabeth Street. Sandy Stolte noted the taxes are paid on all the properties. The properties are not considered abandoned so nothing can be done. If an ordinance ticket is issued, St. Clair County courts throws out the tickets. Chief Simburger is working on setting up a municipal court so we can enforce the ordinances. Lieutenant Buehler noted 15 houses, sheds and garages have been torn down in the last four years, so some progress has been made throughout town.

Mayor Klein talked about setting up a scholarship fund and noted it would have to come out of the special event fund. It was noted it is too late to set up for this year, but can be worked on for next year.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Michelle Neff
Village Clerk

Richard Klein
Village President