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, Geppert, Hall, Weber, Ruhmann, and Boden. Sandy Stolte, Tyler Liefer,
Andrew Green, Josh Dietz, Officer Hamon and Chief Simburger were also present.

The minutes from the March 5th board meeting were reviewed.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Boden to approve the
minutes as presented. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Hall, Weber,
Ruhmann and Boden. Geppert voted present.

VISITORS
John Feder, Geoff Iverson

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS
Trustee Ruhmann scheduled a committee meeting March 27th at 6 p.m. to discuss the
monument at the village park. Ruhmann will let the V.F.W. and the Historical
Society know when the meeting is scheduled so they can attend.

WATER & SEWER
Tyler Liefer noted Scott Kelley purchased the lot next to his and wants to keep a
water spigot for a garden. He doesn’t need sewer or trash service on the empty lot.
He recently removed the trailer that was there. The board discussed and agreed to
allow water only on a vacant lot.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to allow Scott Kelley
to have water only for a garden on the vacant lot of 306 South Market Street. A
vote was answered aye by Hampton, Hall, Weber, Ruhmann, Geppert and Boden.

STREETS & ALLEYS
Nothing new to report.

PARK
Nothing new to report

CEMETERY
Nothing new to report

PUBLIC SAFETY
Trustee Ruhmann reported Jake Owens would like to send a letter to three inactive
EMT’s. The board was in agreement of sending the same letter that was used in the
past. Andrew Green said the three EMT’s are Zach Adams, Heather Britt and Jim
Wilderman. Mayor Klein asked Andrew Green how the ESO software is working since
Jake is not at the meeting to ask. Andrew said there hasn’t been any major issues
and they have the ability to change some things which makes the reports easier to
complete, by not allowing certain things to be left out.
POLICE

Chief Simburger noted it is time to renew the VPN Access Key with St. Clair County. The cost is $300 for a three-year subscription.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Boden to approve to renew the subscription with St. Clair County for the VPN Access Key. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Hall, Weber, Ruhmann, Geppert and Boden.

Trustee Geppert said a committee meeting will be held March 21st at 6 p.m.

Trustee Hall asked about getting officer performance reports like the board has received in the past. Chief is working on a way to include everything on the report in the new program.

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PERSONNEL

Tyler Liefer recommended re-hiring Savannah Idecker and hiring Deric Maurer for seasonal public works help. Tyler said Gerald Badgett is not coming back to mow the Cemetery this year and Tyler thought it would be best to advertise for this position. Tyler said Savannah would make $10 an hour and Deric would make $9 an hour.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to hire Savannah Idecker and Deric Maurer for public works seasonal help and to post an ad for cemetery help. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Hall, Weber, Ruhmann, Geppert and Boden.

The board received four applications for part-time EMT’s: Lorenzo Schwartzkopf, Jacob Toenies, Kateland Thornton and Courtland Ravtio. Chief will do a criminal background check before they can work.

Trustee Ruhmann made a motion; seconded by Trustee Weber to hire Lorenzo Schwartzkopf, Jacob Toenies, Kateland Thornton and Courtland Ravtio pending a background check by the police department. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Hall, Weber, Ruhmann, Geppert and Boden.

Trustee Geppert asked what happened to the people that took the EMT classes last year? One has been hired, but the other four failed the national test on their first try. A refresher class was held and they will re-test.

GRANTS

Nothing new to report

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Tyler Liefer is waiting to hear back from the insurance company regarding prevailing wages for the roof job at the medical center.

Mayor Klein said Attorney Dennis told him the paperwork is all done for the sale of the multi-purpose center and he is waiting on Ms. Santos to come in and sign the paperwork.

**ORDINANCE REVIEW**
Nothing new to report

**TREASURERS TIME**
The monthly treasurer report needs to be approved.

Trustee Weber made a motion; seconded by Trustee Boden to approve the monthly treasurer's report. A vote was answered aye by Geppert, Hampton, Hall, Ruhmann, Weber and Boden.

**CLERKS TIME**
Nothing new to report

**MAYOR’S TIME**
Mayor Klein said the joint review board meeting for the TIF was held last week and it went well.

Mayor Klein noted that Tyler Liefer and himself attended the VFW meeting to discuss the veteran's monument.

**OTHER BUSINESS**
Attorney Dennis was not present to update the board regarding the marina, but Mayor Klein said the next court date is April 5th.

Tyler Liefer noted he pulled out the courtesy docks at the marina. He is getting prices for the **MARCH 19, 2018 VILLAGE OF NEW ATHENS 905 SPOTSylvANIA  PAGE 3**

new docks.

The new sign at the entrance of town has been completed. Any banners put up at the entrance of town need to have a date, secured to the posts and taken down as soon as the event is over. Tyler will put note in the news brief.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Richard Klein Village President          Michelle Neff Village Clerk