

VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA
COUNCIL MEETING
December 6, 2021

The meeting of the Westphalia Village Council was called to order by President Tim Fandel at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance given to the flag.

Council Member, Attendance: Tim Fandel, President Sandy Smith, Clerk Phil Smith
Steve Miller Kevin Krzeminski Nort Upson-Absent
Dave Boswell, Pres Pro-Tem Bill Schmitt

Guests: Leah Bectel, Fleis & Vandenbrink
Shane Peterson, Fleis & Vandenbrink
Dawn Lund, Utility Financial Solutions (via. video)
Jason Orton, David Chapman Agency
Tom Trierweiler, Trierweiler Insurance Agency

Minutes & Agenda: Member Boswell made the motion, supported by Member Smith to approve the agenda and the minutes of the November 1, 2021 regular meeting. Motion carried.

Guests: Dawn Lund of Utility Financial Solutions presented her findings from a water rate study she conducted. The water main improvement project requires our water rates to be increased. Much discussion followed with Leah Bectel and Sean Anderson of Fleis & Vandenbrink as well as Ms. Lund. The village has received a grant to help fund part of this project and will be able to secure a low-interest loan. The program includes replacement of 11,670 feet of water main that was installed in the 1950's. This is a project the council feels needs to be done in the near future. Member Schmitt made a motion seconded by Member Miller to proceed with the water main improvement project. Motion carried. Jason Orton, from the Chapman Agency was in attendance to answer any questions the council had with regards to their insurance proposal. Discussion followed. Tom Trierweiler from Trierweiler Insurance Agency submitted their insurance proposal. Much discussion followed. Motion by Member Smith to maintain our current insurance coverage with Trierweiler Insurance Agency. Member Krzeminski seconded. Member Fandel opposed. Motion carried.

Water/Sewer: The outside of the water tower has been cleaned. The relining of the sewer system down S. Westphalia Street is complete.

Financial: A motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of November for all funds was made by Member Schmitt, supported by Member Krzeminski. Motion carried.

Building & Zoning: A correction to the Zoning Permit number 21-013 - from Lot #20 to the corrected Lot #19.

Community Service: County Commissioner Dave Pohl's update was shared with the council.

Planning Commission: The zoning ordinance revisions are complete and just waiting on the zoning map. Once that is received, an open meeting will be scheduled. The next commission meeting is January 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Next Council Meeting: January 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Moved by Member Smith supported by Member Krzeminski. Motion carried.