

VILLAGE OF WESTPHALIA
COUNCIL MEETING
February 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Westphalia Village Council was called to order by President Dean Kohagen at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance given to the flag.

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

Guests, Present: Dave Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner
Jim Bierstetel, DPW Supervisor
Becky Halfmann, village resident
Sara Miller, village resident
Amy Cook, village resident

Minutes & Agenda: Member Smith made the motion, supported by Member Krzeminski to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2018 regular meeting and the meeting agenda. Motion carried.

Guests: Dave Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner updated Council on County issues, new solar farm in St Johns, water/sewer bond paid off, central dispatch new 911 will be live Spring '18, etc. Village residents Becky Halfmann, Sara Miller and Amy Cook discussed their frustration with the Village Post Office. A recent note received by all postal box holders has caused much confusion. Major areas of concern are the returning of mail without PO Box numbers, current Post Office hours, and the receipt of packages. President Kohagen will contact the Regional Post Office to voice the residents' concerns.

Financial: Motion to approve all invoices paid during the month of January for all funds was made by Member Fandel. Member Miller seconded. Motion carried. Clerk Smith presented the 2018-2019 Proposed Operating Budget. Member Boswell made a motion supported by Member Krzeminski to approve the '18-'19 Proposed Operating Budget. Motion carried.

Building & Zoning: Member Boswell presented Zoning Permit 18-001, Dan Wirth, 205 E. Main Street, addition to residence and accessory building. Member Boswell made a motion to approve addition to house/Part A, Member Miller seconded. Motion carried. Member Boswell made a motion to deny approval of accessory building/Part B, proposed size is larger than Zoning dictates. Member Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Streets: President Kohagen presented cost proposal from Westphalia Electric for new street lamp posts and lights.

Community Services: The Village website is complete, check it out www.westphaliami.com. Initial comments have been extremely positive. Thank you to Debbie Hengesbach for her creativity and knowledge on this project. Clerk Smith presented a new 3 year contract with Hometown Decoration and Display for the Villages Christmas lights. Member Smith made a motion, supported by Member Boswell to approve the contract. Motion carried.

Administrative Issues: Motion by Member Krzeminski to authorize DPW Jim Bierstetel to purchase new backhoe. Seconded by Member Smith. Motion carried. President Kohagen informed the Council that no Village action would be required in regards to the new Marijuana Law. The Village of Westphalia will be hosting the All Area Village meeting on March 26 at 7:00p.m. Clerk Smith presented the purchase agreement with the Polack Corporation for a new printer/copier. Member Miller made a motion to approve purchase of copy machine. Member Boswell seconded. Motion carried. Clerk Smith presented a BS&A proposal for an upgrade to the current Water/Sewer/Garbage software. Member Boswell made a motion to approve upgrade. Member Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Planning Commission: Working on updating the Emergency Response Plan. The next meeting is March 5, 2018.

Next Council Meeting: March 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

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