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# VILLAGE OF WALNUT

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## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**October 5, 2021**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Village Hall**

### **AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Approval of Bills
6. Visitors/Public Comment
7. Reports & Communications from President & other Officers
  - a. President
    - i. Garbage ordinance ( Discussion / Action )
  - b. Police Department
  - c. Superintendent
    - i. Marquee sign ( Discussion / Action )
  - d. Treasurer
  - e. Clerk
8. Committee Reports
  - a. Finance.....Middleton – Smith – Dye
  - b. Streets & Alleys.....Johnston – Stull – Middleton
  - c. Water & Sewer.....Stull – Dye – Christensen
  - d. Garbage.....Christensen – Stull – Middleton
  - e. Law & Order.....Stull – Johnston – Smith
  - f. Cemetery.....Christensen - Smith – Dye
  - g. Local Improvements.....Smith – Johnston – Middleton
9. Old Business
10. Adjournment

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**WALNUT VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES**  
**Tuesday October 5, 2021**

The meeting with the President and Board of Trustees held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021 started at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall in the Village of Walnut, IL.

President Rosenthal then directed the Clerk to call roll and the following Trustees answered present: Duane Christensen, Brian Stull, John Middleton, Lee Johnston, Brian Smith and Melissa Dye.

President Rosenthal asked if there were any additions or corrections to make to the regular meeting minutes from September 21, 2021. With none made, a motion made by Christensen and second by Smith to approve the minutes. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

Treasurer Wolf presented the bills for \$7,804.10. A motion made by Stull and second by Christensen to approve the bills as presented. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor and the motion carried.

President Rosenthal asked if the visitors had anything to comment on, they had nothing so we moved to the reports.

President Rosenthal wanted to discuss the Garbage Ordinance. We have noticed that the carts are being left at the curb longer than what they need to be and some are left out 24/7. The section of importance are Section 1 a, b, and c.

**SECTION 1:** That Chapter 22, Article II of the Walnut Village Code, as amended, be further amended by adding a new Sec. 22-35 to read as follows:

“Sec. 22-35. Use and Placement of Receptacles.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this article, only those receptacles, containers and bags authorized under the contract between the village and its exclusive contractor for the collection and disposal of authorized waste material and recyclables shall be utilized by customers covered by such contract.
- (b) All such receptacles, containers and bags shall be placed curbside in an orderly fashion for collection at or prior to 5:00 AM on the day scheduled for collection but in no event prior to 5:00 PM on the evening preceding a scheduled collection.
- (c) All such receptacles, containers and bags shall be removed from the curb so as to be hidden from the street and adjacent property within twelve (12) hours after the contractor has been present for the purpose of collection. The contractor’s refusal to perform the same for any reason shall not limit the requirements provided for herein.”

Smith agrees with the ordinance but wanted know if there was a safety issue. President Rosenthal stated there has been residents leaving the carts on the streets and neighbors are complaining. Spt. Minks stated that it’s hard to sweep around and plow snow. A motion made by Johnston and second by Stull to approve the Ordinance Amending Chapter 22, Article II. On roll call vote, all present voted in favor.

Chief emailed out his report.

Spt. Minks talked with the Village of Sheffield about their marquee sign. They put him in contact with Stacy Sights. Spt. Minks talked to her about where he thinks would be a good place for it. Sights said it definitely needs to be on a Village owned property. If it’s on someone else’s property you have to be careful with what you put on the sign. The way it works is that the office has the ability to change the

screen and what it says. It will only work with a PC laptop, it will not work with a Mac. You'll log in and whatever you change will be stored in the Cloud. The signs come with lifetime internet. Smith asked if this company has the Watch Fire brand. Spt. Minks said yes. Smith said that is an Illinois based company and is the best on longevity and clarity along with ease of use. This is the Cadillac for signage and it also comes with a hefty price tag. We can use our CURES money to put towards it. Smith stated we also have to be aware of how the flashing lights affect the neighbors. Spt. Minks said that is why he was looking into just the scrolling screen.

Treasurer Wolf handed out the account balances and monthly appropriation worksheets. Stull asked about the savings in the water/sewer fund. Treasurer Wolf stated that jump was because it was from the ARPA money of \$88,771.57.

Finance Committee –nothing at this time but wants to set up an evaluation meeting at the end of October.

Streets & Alleys – Johnston stated that McDonald Trucking was in town doing repairs. He also spoke with Spt. Minks about the cul-di-sacs being broken up from the garbage trucks. McDonalds was going to look at the cul-di-sacs and get a price of what the repairs would be. Also he was going to get them a price on resurfacing Depot St. Spt. Minks spoke with Bill about Depot St. and that street will need to be engineered. The section talked about was from Red Oak to Franks.

Water & Sewer – nothing at this time

Garbage –nothing at this time

Law and Order – Stull thanked Chief and appreciated him working on Saturday of the Fall Fest.

Cemetery – nothing at this time

Local Improvements – The Committee met late this afternoon with Mr. Randy Wright, the owner of the Peerless building. They did a walk-through of the property. It was a very positive and encouraging meeting. Stull asked about the concerns of what was in the ground. Middleton stated that they discussed phase 1 hazardous material assessment that was done and approved. There is no need for a phase 2 assessment. Mr. Wright is going to send us a copy of the report.

Old Business – nothing at this time

With no other business to come before the board, Stull made a motion to adjourn, Christensen second the motion and on roll call vote, all voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Tiffany Pistole  
Village Clerk