

VILLAGE OF BISMARCK

Regular Board Meeting

June 19, 2018

1. **Pledge of Allegiance** – President Lewis opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Roll** –

Jane Cress	-	PRESENT
Terry Light	-	PRESENT
Jack Luttrell	-	PRESENT
Mary Potter	-	PRESENT
Dave Switzer	-	PRESENT
Karel Volpert	-	PRESENT
Greg Lewis	-	PRESENT
Eric Nesbitt	-	ABSENT
Valerie Moss	-	PRESENT

Valerie Moss was sworn in as Clerk to fill the remainder of the term of Eric Moss which ends April 2019.

3. **Approval of the Agenda for June 19, 2018** – On a Motion by Jack Luttrell and a second by Jane Cress, the agenda was approved.

4. **Public Comments** –

Carol Milner expressed concerns for Dan Ribbe's lot on Chicago Avenue which borders her property on Franklin Street. Lyle and Carol Milner erected a 10' fence to hide the "junk" which is stored in two semi-trailers on the Ribbe property. Milner's feel that the semi-trailers are not only a nuisance but a safety hazard.

Carol Milner voiced her disappointment regarding lack of notice to Village residents for the Village Cleanup Day. Since the Village failed to distribute a newsletter, she suggested the Village consider holding another event later this year.

Alvina VanPelt expressed concern for "junk" on John Brain's property.

Susan Freedlund requested an update with regard to the abandoned vehicles within the Village. Susan Freedlund also expressed her concerns for Dan Ribbe's trailers filled with junk.

5. **President's Comments** – None.

6. **Approval of minutes for May 15, 2018** – Minutes were not prepared timely but should be available at the July meeting.

Concerns were expressed about Eric Moss not preparing the May minutes, newsletter or sending out nuisance letters.

7. **Treasurer's Report** – On a Motion by Jane Cress and a second by Jack Luttrell, the Treasurer's Report was approved as presented. The Motion passed by roll call vote.

Jane Cress – Yes	Terry Light – Yes	Jack Luttrell – Yes
Mary Potter – Yes	Dave Switzer – Yes	Karel Volpert – Yes

President Lewis suggested new Clerk, Valerie Moss, be paid for one month of the Clerk's salary for this quarter for the month of June, 2018 instead of the previous Clerk, Eric Moss. The Motion passed by a roll call vote.

Jane Cress – Yes	Terry Light – Yes	Jack Luttrell – Yes
Mary Potter – Yes	Dave Switzer – Yes	Karel Volpert – No

A Motion was made by Mary Potter with a second by Jane Cress to rehire Ed Ryan to do the CPA work for the Village. The Motion passed by roll call vote.

Jane Cress – Yes	Terry Light – Yes	Jack Luttrell – Yes
Mary Potter – Yes	Dave Switzer – Yes	Karel Volpert – Yes

Mary Potter expressed concern about the time Noreen Shults' states she spends on the items she is billing the Village for, including mowing and watering flowers. Discussion was made over which properties within the Village are being mowed. The board reviewed the areas around the

Village in which they have employed Johnnie and Noreen Shults to mow. President Lewis agreed to review with Noreen what their expected duties are.

Jack Luttrell questioned the Menards purchase which was explained by President Lewis to be for doors.

8. Reports of Committees and Assignments –

a. Public Works –

It's been brought to our attention that we need to get Noreen help for getting the push mower in and out of the Kubota tractor or possibly purchase a riding mower. Liability concerns were shared. President Lewis offered to shop around for ramps.

Riprap has been placed at the bridge finally.

b. Budget and Finance – None

c. Health and Safety – It has been suggested that the Clerk compose letters to be sent out to nuisance offenders.

d. Keep Bismarck Beautiful (KBB) –

Karel Volpert reported that \$40.00 was collected from the town cleanup day on June 2, 2018.

The Village has been given a 2017 sign and decal for our Keep Vermilion County Beautiful membership.

Karel also presented information for a medicine collection bin by Medx Return.

Judges will be placing the Keep Bismarck Beautiful signs on award winning lawns soon.

e. Tax Increment Financing (TIF) – None

- f. Municipal Projects (Roads, Drainage, other improvements)**
– C2 Engineers is waiting to hear back from the State of Illinois on drainage.

g. Permits –

Pending President Lewis' contact with neighbors of Jeff Beukelman located at 20 N. Franklin, with their approval, his request to expand his yard barn has been approved due to being within ten feet of his property line.

President Lewis will request an update from Michael Kruse, landowner on Shake Rag Road, as to when he intends to remove the mobile home structure on his property which was allowed to be temporarily parked while a permanent dwelling was constructed. It appears that the construction of the permanent dwelling is complete and that the landowners reside within. Arrangements need to be made to remove the mobile home from the property.

9. **Old Business** – None

10. **New Business** – None

11. **Executive Session/Closed Session** – None

12. **Date and Time of Next Meeting** – The next regular meeting of the Bismarck Village Board will be held at the Village Office in Bismarck, Illinois, at 6:30 p.m. on July 19, 2018.

13. **Adjournment** – With no further business to come before the Board at this time, on a motion by _____ and a second by _____, the meeting was adjourned by 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Valerie Moss, Clerk