

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Josh Stolzenburg.

Present at the meeting were: President Josh Stolzenburg, Trustee Mark Brueggeman, Trustee Rubina Martini and Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz.

Citizens present: Walter Leppen, Lois Brueggeman, Jay Gordon, Gale Gordon, Tor Anderson, Judah Haas, Isiah Miller, Jim Walker

Minutes for January 14th BOT meeting were presented by Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz.

Minutes for January 14th Caucus were presented by Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz

M/S, Martini/Brueggeman, move to approve the January 14th Minutes, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's report submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz.

M/S, Martini/Stolzenberg, move to pay the bills as presented by Clerk/Treasurer Daniel Bootz, all in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Public Statements –

J. Gordon asked for additional information on a possible village hall, specifically the drilling of a public well and whether that would result in the village declaring a well head protection area. **Stolzenberg** indicated that this would be something that would need to be further explored at a later time during project development.

Haas asked about who would be responsible for any research or planning regarding new village construction and how it would effect water and local businesses. **Stolzenberg** indicated that the village would have to work with private and government offices to gather this type of information, but reiterated that the Village has not started the process of exploring options for any new municipal development.

Leppen inquired whether a village hall project would be put to a referendum. **Stolzenberg** indicated that the board can decide to pursue financing for a village hall or other municipal projects without a referendum, however any decision regarding how a village hall or other capital projects will be pursued are not being explored until after the village survey is completed and village interest in a village hall or other municipal project is better understood.

Martini updated the board on progress with the village survey. 34 individuals have completed the survey online and an additional 12-13 have been submitted on paper, but have not been entered yet. End date for submitting the survey will be February 29th. People are encouraged to reach out to neighbors and other residents and property owners regarding completing the survey. Planning commission will review and prepare results for the March board meeting.

Stolzenberg updated the board regarding the 2020 census. There is no budget at the county or State level. Residents will be sent a postcard from the US Government requesting that they reply online prior to any door to door canvassing.

Stolzenberg approved Maud Mangin and Robert Bailey as election workers.

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AT THE VILLAGE HALL Tuesday February 11th 5:30 pm

Bootz and **Martini** reported that the new Village of Nelsonville website has been posted online and the minutes and agendas are being posted to the site. The website remains villageofnelsonville.com

Stolzenberg asked about follow up information regarding the abandoned well that was brought up at the January board meeting. **Martini** explained that the DNR does have a program to assist individuals with paying for properly abandoning wells. **J. Gordon** explained that the Portage County GIS website has information on abandoned wells. **Anderson** indicated that there might be assistance through Portage County to help with properly abandoning wells. **Martini** asked that the Water Committee look into resources available to the village and residents regarding how they can legally abandon wells. **Anderson** asked about enforcement of abandoned wells and it was explained that there is not currently any enforcement policy in place to address these wells, but residents are encouraged to address these wells due to concerns regarding their continued access to the aquifer.

Martini indicated that she will be working on an email notification system which village residents and interested individuals can sign-up for to receive village notifications and meeting information

GCAC Update: No updates.

Groundwater Protection Committee report: **Anderson** reported that the latest ground water test results were received and **Bootz** confirmed that the results are available to review at villageofnelsonville.com. It was recently Clean Water Lobby Day and several Member of the Water Committee and their families met with Senator Patrick Testin and Representative Katrina Shankland.

Park Commission report: No updates

Plan Commission report: Village survey was reviewed and next steps were discussed. Judah Haas discussed possible plans for development at the Water/First Street intersection. He plans on presenting more information at the next planning commission meeting.

Fire Commission: No meeting

6:21pm, Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by: Daniel Bootz, Clerk/Treasurer