

MINUTES

PALESTINE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 1, 2021

Palestine Board of Trustees met on July 1, 2021. Trustees answering roll call were J.R. Dunlap, Twilla Davis, Tim McDaniel, Mary Michael, Gene Purcell and Brian Nethery.

Staff Members present: Chief Besing, Shirley Adams, Village Clerk and Patricia Schofield, Mayor's Consultant. Stacey Myers was absent.

Visitors present: None

Meeting called to order by Mayor Byrley.

The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes were taken by the Village Clerk.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Bridge Repair – Status Quo.

New Business:

1) Approval of handicap parking spots at the AmVets. J.R. Dunlap moved that we approve the spaces to be used for handicap parking. Brian Nethery seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Approval of the 2021 Tax Levy Ordinance. Gene Purcell made a motion to approve the 2021 Tax Levy Ordinance No. 2021-O-04. J.R. Dunlap seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Discussion of upgrading the Main Street Lighting to LED. Motion made by Mary Michael to discuss upgrading main street lighting to LED. Tim McDaniel seconded motion. After reviewing the information at hand, the consensus was that we are definitely interested, however, we would like to request that the representative be at our next board meeting to give the Trustees an opportunity to ask questions before formally voting.

4) Approval of Palestine Chamber's request for Special Use Permit for Beer Tent at the park over Labor Day. J.R. Dunlap moved that we approve the Chamber's request for the Special Use Permit for the Beer tent. Gene Purcell seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DPW REPORT: Kathy Clark.

A new processor was purchased for the operation of the LED display at \$468. The processor had to be configured for the sign dimensions, which took a lot of time to figure out. Luckily for us, a local Frontier tech offered to help and he is the reason it is operational. We will soon need to purchase LED replacement panels @ appx \$21 each (some of the pixels have burned out).

No appointment has been set for the piping install at the influent station.

Kathy was able to find an acceptable winch for the pump lift. It will be installed on the original bracket.

The new parts for the Egin were successfully installed only to have the water (irrigation) system pump

go out. They are looking for an alternative pump.

It was necessary to alter the MFT budget for chip and seal, therefore, taking E. Franklin & S. Rush off the list.

POLICE REPORT: Chief of Police, Jeff Besing.

Total ordinance citation fines received since we added the new ordinance procedure is \$4,890. Total ordinance citations issued since May 1st have been 36 citations. Total sent to court is 6.

Safety information concerning the July 4th holiday weekend was sent out to the public via social media.

Other Business no Executive Minutes to review.

**PIONEER ROOM/COMMUNITY FACILITY – JULY – J.R. DUNALP
COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Budget Committee: Shirley Adams, Chairman. No financials were available.

Bldg Regulations, Permits, Maintenance: Harry Gene Purcell, Chairman.

Employee Relations Committee: J.R. Dunlap, Chairman.

FOIA/OMA Officers: Shirley Adams, Chairman. The site has been down for some time, so Harry Gene and J.R. have not been able to complete their training.

Ordinance/Grant Committee: Pat Schofield. The Herning Grant will be coming up in October.

Streets, Sidewalks, Alleys Committee: Tim McDaniel, Chairman. Have lots of sidewalks to replace when Dave can get to them.

Sewer/Lagoon Committee: Brian Nethery, Chairman.

With no further business to discuss J.R. Dunlap moved to adjourn. Tim McDaniel seconded motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

PRESIDENT

VILLAGE CLERK