

**VILLAGE OF CHEBANSE
275. S. OAK STREET
CHEBANSE, IL 60922**

**REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MARCH 16, 2020**

Mayor Mathy called the regular Village Board meeting to order at 7:00 pm on March 16, 2020 an announced that the Village would be taping, and Kathy Washington from The Advocate would be taking notes.

The following Trustees were present: Trustee Beherns, Trustee Kohler, Trustee Perzee, Trustee Randles and Trustee Snyder. Trustee Odle was absent. Also present were Mayor Mathy, Attorney Hiatt, Clerk Pasel and James Smith from Maintenance.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Snyder and a second by Trustee Randles to approve the February 17, 2020 Board meeting minutes. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT: A motion was made by Trustee Perzee and a second by Trustee Beherns to approve the February 29, 2020 Treasurer's Report. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

BILL STATEMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Perzee and a second by Trustee Snyder to approve the Bill Statement for March 16, 2020. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
ADULT USE CANNABIS: NO ACTION TAKEN**

265 W. FIRST SOUTH STREET: The owner of 265 W. First South Street addressed the Board concerning the flooding of her yard and basement when we have heavy rains. Mayor Mathy stated his concerns of helping and making the situation worse. Trustee Beherns asked what it is that she is wanting the Village to help with. The homeowner stated that she would like assistance

with the cost of excavating, and the use of the Village's camera system to see where the Village tile meets her tile. She asked that the camera be put in at the clean-out on the side and follow where the tile meets at the house. She would like the Village to dig up the tile and she will pay a plumber to cap the tile. A motion was made by Trustee Perzee and a second by Trustee Beherns to have the Village do the excavation at 265 W. First South Street in the Village easement, coordinated with a licensed plumber. Should this not fix the problem, the Village will not be held responsible. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

ZONING MAP: Map is still a work in progress.

AUDIT: Our Auditor has recommended that we set up capital assets for the general fund. She has given us the name of a consulting firm that will help us with this process. A motion was made by Trustee Perzee and a second by Trustee Snyder to have Peterson Consulting Services give us an estimate of what our assets would be. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

DOG VIOLATIONS: Trustee Beherns stated that we have a dog barking issue. Mayor Mathy stated we can fine \$750.00 per violation. Trustee Beherns asked what our protocol is moving forward. Right now, the first complaint is a letter written, a second complaint becomes a fine. After tonight, it will be 2 formal complaints in writing, from 2 different people.

LIQUOR LICENSE VERBIAGE: Mayor Mathy would like to have the requirement of living in the Village limits removed from the Liquor License Ordinance. A motion was made by Trustee Beherns and a second by Trustee Snyder to remove the requirement to live in the Village of Chebanse to get a liquor license. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: Trustee Perzee stated there will be a Finance Committee meeting on April 20, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS: Clerk Pasel asked if the Board would be granting a reprieve on the penalties and shut offs for the time being. Response was yes. Clerk Pasel stated

that everyone has a budget comparison sheet through February, and a budget worksheet for the new budget. Also, an age trial balance that shows all residents with past due balances.

James stated Pittsburg Tank will be here in April.

NEW BUSINESS:

NEWSLETTER: Clerk Pasel stated that she replaced Winter with Spring and took out the snowplow section. Trustee Perzee had some concerns with the Shut-Off portion of the newsletter. After some discussion, the shutoff section was removed. Greg, our Engineer stated he knew of a municipality that drafted a formal agreement that residents could sign, allowing them to make scheduled payment. He will send us a copy to review.

GARAGE SALE DAYS: Trustee Snyder would like to change the dates of our garage sales due to Herscher and Watseka having theirs the same weekend. A motion was made by Trustee Beherns and a second by Trustee Perzee to have the Village Wide Garage Sales on May 29th and 30th 2020. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

UTILITY POLES: A motion was made by Trustee Perzee and a second by Trustee Beherns to purchase 2 Utility Poles at \$250.00 each. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

CIVIC CENTER ROOF: A motion was made by Trustee Perzee and a second by Trustee Randles to have the Civic Center roof repaired by James at a cost not to exceed \$1500.00 Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

LIFT STATION #1 BARRIER: Mayor Mathy expressed his concerns about a recent auto accident by lift station #1. The driver became ill, went through the field and hit a tree. Mayor Mathy asked if a barrier should be considered in case something like this happens again and the lift station is hit by a vehicle. If all the controls are destroyed, a temporary pump would have to be installed, it could be costly. Mayor Mathy asked if it would be more realistic to have a procedure in place, instead of installing a barrier. No final decision was made at this time. Mayor Mathy asked the Board to keep this under consideration.

WATER OPERATOR: Mayor Mathy informed the Board that James passed his water operators test. Mark Swinford has submitted his resignation as the Village Water Operator, effective April 1, 2020. A motion was made by Trustee Beherns and a second by Trustee Randles to appoint James Smith as the Village of Chebanse Water Operator at the rate of \$533.50 per month. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

GARY SEEDORF: Mayor Mathy stated that Gary would like for the Village to purchase his sound equipment and music that he has purchased over the years. Gary has helped the Village will all our events for the past 12 to 15 years and has acquired several thousand dollars of equipment and music. He is offering the equipment to the Village for \$7,000.00. He will still do all our events but would like to teach 3 or 4 people how to use it. Mayor Mathy asked if we should approach the Legion to see if they would like to go in with us. Trustee Perzee asked to wait for a month until James and Adam could speak with the Legion members.

PICKLEBALL NET: Andrea Adams approached Mayor Mathy asking if the Board would consider purchasing another Pickleball net. A motion was made by Trustee Perzee and a second by Trustee Beherns to purchase a Pickleball net not to exceed \$500.00. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Mathy asked everyone to please support our local restaurants during the Covid 19 pandemic.

James stated that the Legion Fish Fry would be doing carry out's only for the fish fry on March 27th.

Greg Gustafson stated that Illinois has a 5 million dollar Rebuild Illinois Program if the Village is interested. It has a 20 -25 % match. Applications need to be submitted by June 30, 2020. The application is involved so if we are interested, we need to move quickly.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Trustee Snyder and a second by Trustee Randles to adjourn the meeting. Time 8:45 pm. Vote:

Beherns	Aye	
Kohler	Aye	
Perzee	Aye	5 Ayes, 0 Nays
Randles	Aye	Motion Carried
Snyder	Aye	

Minutes of the March 16, 2020 respectfully submitted by Clerk Julie Pasel, MMC.