

Town of Wood River

Regular Board Meeting

November 13, 2024

Joel Johnson

Mike Chell

Gilbert Meyer

Marjean Legler

Laura McKeag

Tyler Ullman

7 others in attendance

Chairman Joel Johnson called the meeting to order 6:30pm

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Joel Johnson opened the Budget Hearing

1. Mike Chell motioned to approve the budget Gilbert Meyer seconded, carried.
2. Gilbert motioned to close the budget hearing Mike Chell seconded.

Joel Johnson opened the Special Meeting of the Electors

1. to approve resolution #2024-1 to increase the levy by \$6000 or .810%. Chuck Swenson motioned to approve the resolution and Dick Strom seconded, carried.

2. to approve the levy of \$465,176 Dick Strom motioned to accept the levy and Chuck Swenson seconded, carried.

1. Gilbert Meyer moved to approve the agenda, Mike Chell seconded, carried

2. Motion was made by Mike Chell to approve the October Regular Board Meeting minutes as well as the Special meeting minutes, seconded by Gilbert Meyer carried.

3. **Treasure's Report:** there is \$163,060.51 in the operating account, \$37,915.11 in the CD and \$67,260.69 in the Money Market account and the cemetery savings \$2,570.51. Gilbert Meyer moved to accept the Treasurer's report as read, seconded by Mike Chell, carried.

4. **Clerk Communications:** Marjean reports there were 580 voters at a cost of \$3.89 per voter

5. **Maintenance Report:** Tyler reports he has been grading and doing some cold patching. He has ordered a culvert for Crosstown Road; church signs are up.

6. Fire Report: Meeting was held September 30, 2024, there will be a 3% increase in their budget for 2025, 18 on the roster and year to date there are 162 calls. They will be checking into first responder courses.

6. Chairman's Report: Joel Johnson reported that John Richards owner of the land where the substation is on Range Line Road is proposing a solar field on the 34 acres there.

7. Public Comments: Chuck Swenson appreciates that the town has been able to hold down the costs.

8. Vacate portion of Hanson Road: Mike Chell motioned to allow a resolution to abandon the undeveloped portion of old Hanson Point Road that goes across the properties of Chester Scheer, Alice Hedberg and Bill Parker. Gilbert Meyer seconded, carried.

9. Jason's PC: Mike Chell made a motion to accept Jason's contract for another year of service through 2025, Gilbert Meyer seconded, carried.

10. Road disaster spread sheets were reviewed they will be sent to the State.

11. Closed session: Mike Chell motioned to move to a closed session, Gilbert Meyer seconded.

14. Identify agenda items for the next meeting: Jason's PC, Tyler's insurance, set caucus date

15. Audit bills and sign disbursements: Gilbert Meyer motioned to pay the bills seconded by Mike Chell.

16. Adjourn: 7:45 pm

Closed session: Tyler had no issues to bring up, he likes his job. Mike Chell motioned to increase Tyler's pay by \$2 bringing him to \$28/hr. Gilbert Meyer seconded, carried. Mike Chell motioned to close and move back into the regular meeting, Gilbert Meyer seconded, carried.