

Village of Sheffield
Village Board Mtg
March 11, 2025
6:00 pm

Determining that a quorum was present, President Mary Lanham called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 pm and asked Clerk Ries to call the roll. .

Roll Call

PRESENT: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss, Price, Yepsen, Lanham

ABSENT: Pratt

Attorney Jacob Frost also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

No Public Comment

Board Reports: Trustees reviewed reports in the board packet. Police Report reviewed. Horrie will be attending a Zoom Meeting regarding the E-Citation Implementation to take effect this summer. Attorney Frost reported the new elected board may want to discuss keeping grocery tax or implementing an additional tax for Sheffield before the end of the year. Treasurer/Office Report Reviewed. Ries commented that the Ameren bill was added to the bill sheet after the board packet Public Works report discussed. Lanham asked for an update on the lift station. Lanxon reported Gasvoda to be on site in the next few days. Public Works pulled another shop rag out of the pump - Impeller needs realigned. Lanxon suggested sending a PSA regarding what gets flushed down toilets either on purpose or from children throwing objects. DeVoss questioned the John Deere Diesel Mower status on agenda for trade. Lanxon explained our model has been problematic for the Village and John Deere as a whole. Birkey's is close for service and is offering good deals on older "2023" new models as well as decent trade in amounts.

Discussion/Action Items:

Adams, seconded by Yepsen, made a motion to **approve the February 11, 2025 regular meeting minutes**. Motion Carried 5-0.

Yepsen, seconded by Corwin, made a motion to **approve the February 11, 2025 closed session meeting minutes**. Motion Carried 5-0.

DeVoss, seconded by Adams, made a motion to **approve the March 11, 2025 Regular Bills & Payroll**.

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss, Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Corwin, seconded by Yepsen, made a motion to **approve the March 11, 2025 TIF Bills**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss, Price, Yepsen, Lanham

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 6-0

Lanham started discussion regarding new checking accounts for the water and sewer surcharges already being collected with the amounts allocated in separate checking accounts to better see the collection of funds and maintenance expenses disbursed. Adams, seconded by Corwin, made a motion to **approve opening separate checking accounts for both Water Surcharge and Sewer Surcharge Funds collected through the Utility billing.**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss , Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Lanham presented the Sheffield Lions Club Fidelity Bond Waiver Raffle request pertaining to the new Queen of Hearts Raffle they will be starting next month . Adams, seconded by DeVoss, made a motion to **approve the waiver of the fidelity bond request for the Sheffield Lions Club.**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, DeVoss, Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Corwin

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1

Lanham presented Ace in the Hole Quote for FY26 Spray Patch. DeVoss, seconded by Price, made a motion to **approve the Ace in the Hole FY26 spray patch quote in the amount of \$18,970 paid out of the General Fund.**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss , Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Lanham requested a motion for the FY2026 MFT Street Program which is in year 5 of the rotation and starting over with the mapped area and also to proceed with getting bids. DeVoss, seconded by Adams, made a motion to **proceed FY26 MFT program as presented and let bids for the same.**

Roll Call:

Adams, Corwin, DeVoss , Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Lanham requested a motion to transfer “to date” WPark concrete donations currently placed in the Playground account to the new “Park” Checking Account. Adams, seconded by Corwin, made a motion to **to date balance of \$8,500 WPark donations currently in the Playground fund transferred to new Park checking account.**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss , Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Lanham presented the LRS annual rate increase per the Village contract. Adams, seconded by Yepsen, made a motion **to implement the rate increase per LRS contract - residential bin cart to \$11.64 and all dumpster charges 3.5% and additional bin cart service increase to \$4.00 per month with the April 2025 Utility bills reflecting the increase.**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss , Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Lanham asked for discussion of the next item on the agenda. DeVoss, seconded by Corwin, made a motion **to place Public Works maintenance position under Village Superintendent Lanxon for all reporting and delegating purposes beginning immediately.**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss , Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Board discussion of Village property - 503 E Mill Road. Public Works to level and line up fill dirt. PW to fence the old foundation for safety in the interim. No Action taken.

Discussion regarding Superintendent Lanxon's recommendation to acquire a new Exmark 70" mower with trade in of Village's John Deere 2018 60" diesel ztr. Adams, seconded by DeVoss, made a motion **to accept Birkey's of Annawan quote for purchase of a new 2023 Laser X with included trade of JD z994R in the amount of \$4550.**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss , Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Yepsen, seconded by Price, made a motion **for the increase in pay for employees from the 2-11-2025 meeting motion to take effect with the March 15, 2025,** which was absent from the February 11, 2025 motion

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss , Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Lanham asked for a motion to enter into closed session for appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of public employees Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c). Adams, seconded by Corwin, made a motion to **enter into Executive Session at 6:38 pm**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss, Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Corwin, seconded by Yepsen made a motion to **close Executive Session at 6:46 pm**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss, Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Roll Call at 6:46 pm in regular session

PRESENT: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss, Price, Yepsen, Lanham

ABSENT: Pratt

Adams, seconded by DeVoss, made a motion to **approve Superintendent Lanxon's recommendation for summer help - rehire Anthony Forst with as many hours he can provide and Codi Sturm up to 40 hours weekly both at \$15 per hour .**

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Corwin, DeVoss, Price, Yepsen

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Pratt MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Adjournment: Corwin, seconded by DeVoss, made a **motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 pm**
MOTION CARRIED 5-0.