

Minutes
May 16, 2023
General Meeting

- 1) **The meeting was called to order** by Mayor Bob Dablow at 7:00PM.
 - a) Council Members present were Mayor Bob Dablow, Tom Berglind, Toran Thornton, Adam Jenstead, and Drew Schwan.
 - b) Others present were Wendy Otte/Clerk, Doug Smith and Jim Sepp/Moore Engineering.
- 2) **The Pledge of Allegiance** was said.
- 3) **Previous Minutes**
 - a) General Meeting – April 18, 2023
A MOTION was made by Drew Schwan to approve the general meeting minutes for April 18, 2023. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried.
- 4) **City Attorney** – Zenas Baer – Not present to report.
- 5) **City Engineer** – Moore Engineering –Jim updated the council on the progress at the water plant. All 3 filters are now online we are waiting on electrical parts and painting. Set points were adjusted over the weekend, results of 0 iron and 0.030 manganese, all the water test numbers have been very good. There may be a few changes to make to the plant for controls and optimization improvements at next month's meeting. Swanberg Construction has requested the 6th payment application for \$86,639.03. **A MOTION** was made by Adam Jenstead to pay Swanberg Construction the 6th payment application of \$86,639.03. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried. The access road by the water plant was torn up by Swanberg Construction during construction and the council would like it repaired by them. The water tower project will be starting in about 2 weeks, we need to make sure the clear well is full and all is running smoothly while the tower is offline.
- 6) **Amendments to Agenda** – Benefit June 17th added to New Business 11) b)
- 7) **Citizens' Concerns** – None.
- 8) **Water/Sewer Department** – Dave Dickey/Norm Nyland – Dave passed his wastewater test and now has his license. Dave has been getting help from Barnesville with questions he has on anything water/sewer related. Dave will have the May DMR completed on time. Now that Dave is fully licensed Pathogen Defense has completely taken over the water/wastewater operations. We thank Norm for all he has done for Sabin over many years as well as with the transition to Pathogen Defense and wish him well.

9) **Maintenance Department** – Doug Smith – Drew has been doing some pothole patching on the streets that Doug will be taking over. Luther Ford is still waiting on parts for the truck. There are some street signs in the garage that Doug will be putting up.

10) Old Business

11) New Business

a) **Garbage Collection** – Fuchs Sanitation is switching the resident garbage cans to auto dumping cans. They will be supplying cans to all residences in Sabin changing from 2 – 32-gallon cans per residence to 1 – 64-gallon tote can. They plan to make this change by the beginning of June and will be notifying residents of this change. Residential garbage collection will also be switching from Friday to Wednesday with the can change. Along with this change curbside recycling has been brought back up. Adding curbside recycling would add a recycling cost to each resident of \$6.00 per month to the utility bill. We may be able to subsidize the cost to the residents with the county recycling aid we receive each year, we currently use those funds to help cover costs of the recycling center. If we can close the recycling center and still receive the county aid to use towards the curbside recycling, we could charge residents only half of the monthly fee for the curbside pick-up.

A MOTION was made by Drew Schwan to add curbside recycling at a cost of \$6.00 per resident with a subsidy of \$3.00 per resident as long as we are able to use county funding to cover the other \$3.00 per month by closing the recycling center. It was 2nd by Toran Thornton and the motion carried.

Toran will contact Fuchs Sanitation about getting the curbside recycling started.

b) **Benefit June 17th** – The Lions have requested use of the community center at no cost for a benefit they are hosting. Unfortunately, the benefit is not for someone in Sabin city limits they are in the township therefore we cannot waive the fee. The council will approve a \$100.00 fee for the use of the community center for this benefit.

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to approve a \$100.00 community center rental fee for the benefit on June 17th. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried.

12) Receipts, Disbursements and Claims

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to transfer \$100,000.00 from the investment account to the checking account. It was 2nd by Bob Dablow and the motion carried.

A MOTION was made by Drew Schwan to approve the claims. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried.

13) Treasures Report – Looked over.

14) Commissioner Reports

- a) **Health** – Adam Jenstead – Mosquito spraying will need to begin soon.
- b) **Weeds** – Bob Dablow – Dave’s Spray Service will be out by June to spray at the ponds.
- c) **Emergency Management Director** – Randy Schmidt – Not present to report.
- d) **Fire & Rescue** – Tom Berglind – It will still be a month or 2 until the new truck is ready.
- e) **Parks** – Adam Jenstead – T-ball benches need to be assembled and set up soon. We need to add the portable toilets to the parks this week.
- f) **Recycling** – Toran Thornton – Discussed earlier.
- g) **Streets** – Drew Schwan – Drew will contact someone for a quote on larger street repairs.
- h) **Zoning** – Tom Berglind – There have been 3 permits in the last few weeks.

15) Adjournment

A MOTION was made by Adam Jenstead to adjourn. It was 2nd by Toran Thornton and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Wendy Otte, City Clerk

Approved 6-20-23