

Village of Glenbeulah Meeting Minutes

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Present: Daun, Starnitcky, Cary, Grunewald, Feldmann, and Bertram

Absent:

Guests: Herbie Kohlmann, Don Ditter, Arthur and Chris Birch, Jake and Carey Jacobson, Mike Mooney and Dan Blanke

Daun opened the 9/14/16 Village board meeting at 7:12PM

Approval of Minutes

Daun asked the Board if there were questions or changes to the August 10, 2016 Village Board Meeting minutes or a motion to accept the minutes as distributed to Board members before-hand, posted, and placed at the Bank and Post Office for pick-up by residents. Daun pointed out some typos. They were documented and in a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Feldman, the minutes were approved with the changes. Motion carried.

A copy of the draft minutes are also put on the website: glenbeulah.org

Treasurer's Report

In a motion by Cary and seconded by Feldmann, the treasurers report was approved. Motion carried.

Citizen Comment

Dan Blanke asked if the Village has an ordinance prohibiting him from graveling his property. Daun said the Village did not have one and he could do so, but to make sure he knows where his property lines are.

The order of the agenda was changed to accommodate the audience.

New Business:

Plan Commission – Chris Birch – storage shed

Cary reported that the plan commission approved the request for a storage shed to be placed at 110 Clark Street. All the setback requirements were met per the plans provided. Chris Birch did comment and wanted to verify that the permit gotten for this storage shed could also be used for a garage if it were to be built within one year. Daun agreed, but said any plans for a garage will still need to be approved and if any electrical would be placed in the garage, an additional permit would be required. In a motion by Cary and seconded by Starnitcky, the board approved the storage shed. Motion carried. Daun will contact the building inspector to issue the permit.

Jake Jacobson – storage units

Jake and Carey Jacobson are interested in purchasing the lot on Young Street and put up two storage units. He questioned setback requirements for commercial zoning and asked about the variance process. When he has completed drawings of the buildings he will contact the plan commission to have a meeting.

Old Business:

Hwy 23 Expansion

Feldmann checked into the “Friend of the Court” letter that was discussed at last month’s meeting. A brief discussion was held and she will contact the Village Attorney to find out how and if we should proceed.

Brush piles/weeds

Nothing to report.

Trees in Right away/ordinance update

The County cut trees in the right away on Main and Slade Street for the maintenance work that is coming up.

House number ordinance

Chief Mooney questioned if this ordinance is in place. Currently there is nothing on file, but he sees this as an EMS issue.

Dam Inspection

The work detail has been rescheduled to October 15th at 7:00AM. Top soil and rip rap will be put down. Volunteers are welcome.

Backup generator

Nothing to report. This item will be removed from the Village agenda and put on the Utility agenda.

Road Work/ loan amount

In a motion by Grunewald and seconded by Starnitcky, resolution 2016-4 was approved for the Village to borrow funds from National Exchange Bank and Trust for Main Street, Slade Street and Benson Street paving projects. The loan will not exceed \$140,000.00 for 10 years at 4.25%. Motion carried. Daun will also get a cost from the County to either remove the current rip rap, or removal and replacement of rip rap on Main Street north of Garden Street.

Fire Siren

Kohlmann stated that the siren has been repaired. A few members didn’t hear it go off at noon. They will double check to make sure it is operating properly.

New Business:

Glenbeulah Fire Dept/First Responders general business

Chief Mooney passed out the month report. There were 6 calls for the month of August: 5 Elkhart requests and 1 MABAS request. 1000 gallons of water was used for the month. Chief Mooney shared

a shelving idea for the brat stand. The board agreed. There were 5 EMS calls for the month of August: 3 in Glenbeulah and 2 in the Town of Greenbush. As of September 1 the Rescue Task Force unit is in service and the First Responders will store three of the trauma bags the unit has. The 2017 proposed budget was passed on to the budget committee. In a motion by Feldmann and seconded by Starnitcky, a temporary liquor license was granted for October 8-9, 2016 for the Departments meat raffle. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Cemetery

Grunewald talked to Scott Kelling about ideas he and his family would like to see done at the cemetery. Mr. Kelling would like people from the community to form a committee to implement them. Feldmann checked with the Historical Society. The cemetery is on the list and is currently deemed inactive. She learned that the Village can trim vegetation and clean and erect headstone but that is about it. If any ground is moved further action is required first.

Traffic Signs

In a motion by Feldmann and seconded by Cary, ordinance 2016-2 was approved. It stated that section 4.04(2) (e) be deleted. Parking on the east side of Otis Street from its intersection with Main Street north to its intersection with Barret Street is prohibited. Motion carried. The no parking signs will be renewed. Two other No Parking signs were found to be unreadable. Mr. Kohlmann will seek replacements. Feldmann will also be checking with the Attorney to find out who is at fault if there is an accident at an uncontrolled intersection.

Brat Stand

This item was discussed in the fire department general.

New Business

Emerald Ash Borer

The DNR confirmed EAB in Glenbeulah. Bertram will ask the DNR to mark the infected tree and any other ash tree on Main Street. Daun will find costs to remove the tree.

Main Street Development/TIF

Nothing to report.

Building permits

Daun questioned a homeowner on Swift Street about if a permit was needed. He passed along Paul Birshbachs phone number. The other permits were pass around for the Trustees to approve.

Law Enforcement

The log was reviewed from August. Daun passed around a list of property owners that have unlicensed vehicles on their property. They will be sent letters to comply with the ordinances. Daun also received a complaint about traffic speeding as they come into the Village from County Rd A. Daun asked the on duty officer to patrol that area and asked that speeder get tickets and not a warning.

Operator's license

In a motion by Feldmann and seconded by Starnitcky, the operator's license were approved. Motion carried.

Correspondence of the month

All correspondence were passed around for review.

Committee Reports

The budget committee will meet on October 4 at 6:30 to prepare a proposed budget to the Board for the October meeting. Grunewald would like to review the ordinance book for 2017, to update it and add any newer ordinances to it.

Approval of Invoices

In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Cary, the September invoices were approved. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM in a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Cary. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Michele Bertram, Clerk/Treasurer