TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

September 11, 2024

The 2025 Budget Hearing commenced at 6:30 p.m. and the September meeting opened with the pledge to the flag at 7:00 p.m. in the Stilesville Town Hall with all three Town Board Members present. The Fire Chief, Attorney, and Marshal were all in attendance, the Wastewater Treatment Operator was excused for the meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes as written (3-0).

NEW BUSINESS

The Sewer Rate Hearing commenced after the Pledge of Allegiance, the Ordinance rate Increase was read, and a motion to accept the Sewer rate increase effective October 1, 2024, passed (3-0). The Fire Chief reported they had received a \$5,000 grant for extrication equipment. The wastewater treatment plant operator was an excused absence from the meeting, had submitted a report stating that there are trees starting to take root in the banks that need to be removed as well as all the cat tails. Barbara Webster offered to call him to request an estimate on the cost of removing them. The town attorney updated the board on the status of the Stone Estate regarding the sewer fees owed. The town marshal reported that there would be a need for a \$500 radio update by 2026. The board determined the Halloween trick or treat hours for Stilesville to be 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. October 31st.

OLD BUSINESS

A motion to accept the TJ Fence proposal for the 8 feet repair passed (3-0). A motion to purchase an updated Motorola radio for the Stilesville Police Dept passed (3-0). A motion to hire one reserve police officer passed (3-0). The board was informed the light pole on the corner of US 40 and Harrison would not be allowed a DAR Banner because it is a power distribution pole. The board asked Kevin to let the cleaning lady know the foyer and blinds need cleaning. The board reviewed the letter terminating the current snow plowing contract with Jet Trucking, and decided to post a notice for applicants for the remainder of calendar year 2024 and 2025 on the Town website. Complaints of violations of the mowing/weed ordinance were brought against the following four addresses: 8440 Putnam St, 6214 West US Hwy 40, 8366 Hendricks St, and 8440 Morgan St. (tree obstructing street view)

<u>CLAIMS</u>

Vouchers dated from 09/01-9/30/2024 in the Voucher Register were reviewed & approved by the Town Board Members for \$10,327.91 . A motion to adjourn carried (3-0).

Kevin Turnbull, Clerk/Treasurer