

Village of Pecatonica Finance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 1, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.
Village Hall 405 Main Street. Pecatonica, Illinois

1. **Call to Order** - Chairman Determan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2024, at Village Hall.
2. **The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was recited**
3. **Roll call** -

Chairman Determan, Trustee Howard, and Trustee Hardy were present.

Also in attendance: Nick Berry, Treasurer Sherry Bessert, President Tom Heister, Trustee Tom Gipe, Jason Stoll, and Village Clerk Gwenn Shirley.
4. **Additions and Corrections to the Agenda** - None
5. **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Trustee Howard and seconded by Trustee Hardy. No Discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All Trustees approved. Motion was approved 3-0-0.
6. **Call to the Public** - None

Agenda Items

1. **Discuss and Recommend to send to the Board Colors for the Water Tower.**

The committee discusses the options that were received from JetCo. The Committee collectively agrees that the Water Tower should be purple with gold, matching the school colors. President Heister asked Jason to get a print of the Water Tower with the purple and gold for the approval next meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Howard and seconded by Trustee Hardy to send a final recommendation of Option #3 to the Board the Colors for the Water Tower. No discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All trustees present approve. Motion approved 3-0-0.

2. **Review and Recommend to send to the Board the Proposed Revised Purchasing Policy.**

The committee discusses any changes needing to be changed to the Purchasing Policy. The policy will include that in the event a meeting is cancelled for any reason and bills are not able to be approved, the bills would be the Treasurer's responsibility without committee approval. The board will still need to approve any payments that would be equal to or greater than \$7,000 before any transaction is made.

3. **Review Current Phone Bills**

The committee reviews the Verizon phone bills for July 2023. It was noted that the well house is receiving a phone bill when there should not be phone service as it is not in running order. The only service that should be going

through the well house is an internet connection. The bills are also still coming through under Bill Smull which will be changed to Tom Heister.

The committee reviewed a bill from Mediacom for the internet. The committee agrees that looking into the Free JCWifi will be beneficial and will request to get a written service agreement for possibly going with that company over Mediacom.

The committee also reviewed bills from Frontier for the landlines at the sewer plant.

Nick and his group will be using JCWifi for a 6-8 week trial to see how the service runs and once it's up and running, the committee will further discuss setting up services long-term.

4. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Bessert received an email from auditors regarding the budget figures that the previous treasurer presented to them not matching the ordinance that was filed with Winnebago County. She stated that there are figures missing from either what was used or the ordinance that was approved. It is known to the auditors that amends are trying to be made regarding the financial situation of the village. She finishes by stating that her, Clerk Assistant Darla, and Village Clerk Gwenn will be working together to resolve the issues at hand.

5. Other Business - None

6. Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Trustee Howard and seconded by Trustee Hardy. No discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All Trustees approve. Motion was approved 3-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m..