President O'Connell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Clerk Posing called the roll, and the following trustees answered present; O'Connell, Wendt, Stam, Abrassart, Miramontes, and Dhans Clerk Posing reported the roll, and President O'Connell declared a quorum existed for the transaction of public business. President O'Connell then asked for all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Also in attendance was Police Chief Navratil, Treasurer Bonvallet.

**CALL TO ORDER** 

**ROLL CALL** 

**QUORUM** 

Jevin Anderson, Nicole Hull and Philip Gardner were visitors.

VISITORS: JEVIN
ANDERSON, NICOLE
HULL, COREY
WINSTEAD, ANGIE
ARSENEAU, RICK
BLANCHETTE, &
PHILIP GARDNER

President O'Connell stated that since Attorney Parish resigned last month, we have attained a new attorney. President O'Connell then asked for a motion to appoint Trey Brasel as the new village attorney. Trustee Abrassart made the motion and was seconded by Trustee Stam. After a roll call vote where all present voted in favor the motion was passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** 

Jevin Anderson and Nicole Hull brought up a concern about the upkeep and responsibility of the alley next to their property at 211 E. State St. They would consider the possibility of purchasing this property to install a fence on their property. President O'Connell stated that they would investigate the property and let them know of any decisions that will be made.

PERSON WITH PRESENTATION

Corey Winsted and Angie Arseneau presented to the board the new expansion of the FS Grain plant located right outside of town. This development will be a big boost in the capabilities of the plant and a major boost for our village. We are looking forward to the finished project. They have filed for a rezoning of their newly purchased property for the expansion from Agriculture to Industrial. President O'Connell asked for a motion to rezone the property, the motion was made by Trustee Abrassart and seconded by Trustee Miramontes. After a roll call vote where all present voted in favor the motion was passed.

FS GRAIN EXPANSION AND REZONING

Rick Blanchette then presented the board with the new budget and tax levy for the new year.

RICK BLANCHETTE
PRESENTED BUDGET
AND LEVY

President O'Connell than asked for a motion to accept the budget. The motion was made by Trustee Stam and seconded by Trustee Dhans. After a roll call vote where all present voted favorably the motion was passed.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET

President O'Connell asked for a motion to pass the tax levy in the amount of \$217,800.00. Trustee Stam made the motion and was seconded by Trustee Miramontes. After a roll call vote where all present voted in favor the motion was passed.

APPROVAL OF LEVY

President O'Connell asked if there were any questions or corrections to the minutes of November 11, 2024, regular meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Wendt seconded by Trustee Stam and after a voice vote, where all present voted favorably, the motion was carried.

11/11/2024 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVE

Treasurer Bonvallet read the treasurers report President O'Connell asked for a motion to accept the report. It was moved by Trustee Abrassart, seconded by Trustee Stam that the treasurer's report be approved. After a voice vote, where all present voted favorably, the motion was carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Clerk Posing informed the board about the Winter Party. This will be held at Oak Springs Golf Course on Jan25, 2025. Drinks will be at 5 with dinner being served at 6. RSVP'S need to be in by Jan 10<sup>th</sup>.

**CLERK'S REPORT** 

Clerk Posing then read a Thank you card from the family of Bobby Hubert for the gift of money at his passing.

Clerk Posing then brought up the subject of Christmas gifts for the employees. President O'Connell asked for a motion to keep the gifts the same as in the past. Trustee Stam made the motion and Trustee Wendt seconded it. After a roll call vote where everyone voted in favor the motion was passed.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** 

President O'Connell distributed a handout regarding current issues to the Board. (attached)

President O'Connell stated that we are waiting for Neil to go over the initial plans to see if we want to change anything. We should be able to apply for a matching grant.

STREETSCAPE PROJECT

President O'Connell stated an additional cost to this project. We need to install a flowmeter and sampler. R&R had a bid for just over \$33,000 whereas Don has someone that can do this for approximately \$10,000. We will be going with who Don suggests as they will be the ones to service the flowmeter.

PHASE 2 WATER PROJECT

President then asked for a motion to approve the purchase of the flowmeter not to exceed \$15,000. Trustee Stam made the motion and was seconded by Trustee Miramontes. After a roll call vote where all present voted favorably the motion was passed.

President O'Connell stated we should hear about getting a loan with principal forgiveness after the first of the year.

PHASE 3 WATER PROJECT

President O'Connell informed that he met with Edward Meier from St. Anne Bank and discussed the possibility of purchasing CDs with the money in the Water Dept account. He then asked for a motion to purchase 2 6-month CDs at \$50,000 each. Trustee Stam made the motion and was seconded by Trustee Dhans. After a roll call vote where everyone present voted favorably and the motion was passed.

**CD PURCHASE** 

President O'Connell then thanked everyone involved in Santa's arrival and lighted parade, as it was a success. A special thanks to Bret & Lisa Stalnecker for the donation of the beautiful tree, the fire department for the Lighted parade and hosting Santa, the beautification committee for the cookie decorating & the police dept for keeping everyone safe in the parade. Also, a big thanks for Don & his crew for getting the tree up & lights on all while fighting with the high winds.

**SANTA CLAUSE VISIT** 

President O'Connell stated that with the resignation of Attorney Parish and the installation of new attorney Brasel will not be a report tonight.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT** 

Trustee O'Connell gave the monthly Police report. He read the report as follows: 19 traffic stops, 0 local citations, 11 written warnings, 9 traffic

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**POLICE REPORT** 

citations, 0 accident, 21 agency assists ambulance, fire, other agencies, 4 suspicious activity calls persons, vehicles, 0 arrest warrants/traffic/felony/misdemeanor, 0 notices to appear in lieu of bail, 2 disorderly conduct/disturbance/fireworks, 1 battery/agg battery, domestic battery/ fights, 0 admin tows, 0 criminal damage to property/vehicle, 2 theft/identity theft/shoplifting, 0 removal. Fines collected were \$1,180.74 warrant fees, \$0.00 and \$0.00 e-citations. There was \$0 in administrative tow fines, \$0.00 in golf cart fees, \$150.00 in ordinance fines and \$900.00 collected from Papineau for a total of \$2,238.74.

POLICE/JUDICIAL

Trustee O'Connell made a motion to make a \$500.00 donation to Shop with a Cop. Trustee Abrassart seconded it and after a roll call vote where everyone voted in favor the motion was approved.

**SHOP WITH A COP** 

Trustee O'Connell also made a motion to pay Kankakee County Police Dept to patrol St. Anne at \$65.00 per hour the night of the Winter Party so the officers will be able to attend. This was seconded by Trustee Stam, after a roll call vote where Trustees O'Connell, Wendt, Miramontes, Dhans and Stam voted aye Trustee Abrassart voted nay the motion was passed.

WINTER PARTY
POLICE COVERAGE

Trustee Wendt reported that the chlorinator was fixed, and we have samples being tested to see about lifting the boil order. There is discussion as to keep using the liquid chlorine over the gas due to price and safety to the employees. There was also discussion about installing cameras in the pump house so it can be monitored remotely as to having someone go check when an alarm goes off as they send out false alarms on a regular basis.

**PUBLIC WORKS** 

Trustee Abrassart reported that there was no building permit report.

LICENSE AND HEALTH

Trustee Abrassart made a motion to put a spiller ordinance in effect. This will be for any company that has a spill that needs cleaned up. They are responsible for the cost of the cleanup & restoration instead of the village having to pay. Trustee Stam seconded the motion. Trustee O'Connell voted present while Trustees Wendt, Miramontes, Dhans, Abrassart and Stam voted in favor. The motion was passed

**SPILLER ORDINANCE** 

PARKS AND BUILDINGEQUIP.

Trustee Miramontes reported that the trees have been removed down at TREE REMOVAL Grubbs Pond Park. **ADDITIONAL WORK** Trustee O'Connell stated that there still will be a little more work on the AT THE POND east side of the pond before April 1st. **EQUIPMENT/CIVIL** Trustee Dhans gave an update that the body cams were shipped on Friday, DEF and we should receive them this week Trustee Stam reported that the bills had been examined by the committee PERSONNEL/FINANCE and recommended for payment. It was moved by Trustee Stam, seconded by Trustee O'Connell that the above recommendation be approved, and the bills be authorized for payment. Upon roll call vote, where all present voted favorably, President O'Connell declared the motion carried. **NEW AND** The President asked for any new or unfinished business. **UNFINISHED** REPLACE OLD FIRE Trustee O'Connell brought up the issue of old fire hydrants in town that **HYDRANTS** need to be replaced. He is getting an updated list from the fire department. Discussion was had to replace 5 or 6 this spring/summer. If weather permits getting at least 1 the by the grade school sooner will be a big priority. Discussion was had to get bids to replace the hydrants. INVESTIGATE Trustee O'Connell also asked Trustee Dhans if the equipment committee **PURCHASE OF 40 FT** could look into getting a 40 ft boom lift to help with some of the projects in **BOOM TRUCK** town. Trustee Dhans said she will get with Trustee O'Connell and find out what would be best and look into prices to bring to the board possibly at the January meeting. **ADJOURNMENT** President O'Connell asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Stam, seconded by Trustee Abrassart, and after a voice vote, where all present voted favorably, the motion was

Approved by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024

carried, and President O'Connell then adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Village President		
Village Clerk		