

**Regular Board Meeting  
Board of Trustees of the Village of St Anne  
Kankakee County, Illinois 60964  
Village Hall November 11 ,2024**

President O'Connell called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m. Clerk Posing called the roll, and the following trustees answered present; Wendt, Stam, Abrassart, and Dhans. Trustees O'Connell and Mirmantes were absent. 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, Public Works Director Don Leveque and Building Inspector Dave Pomeranski.

Nicole & Zach DuFrain and Mike Seed, and Alex Hutchinson were visitors.

Alex Hutchinson presented to the board her interest in expanding our Dollar General to a Dollar General Market. She asked if the board would write a proclamation letter to the corporate office expressing our support and the need for this addition in our village. She also expressed the need for everyone to do the surveys on the receipts and put in your comments on the need for a grocery store in this community. Trustee Stam made the motion, seconded by Trustee Abrassart to write a proclamation letter in support of the Dollar General Market coming to St. Anne, after a roll call vote where everyone one present voted in favor the motion was approved.

Nicole and Zach Dufrein presented to the board for approval the dates for the 2025 Cruise Nights. They proposed a starting date of April 11<sup>th</sup> and every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday monthly while keeping the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday as a rain date. They will continue to work with Watseka and Manteno to bring more cars and people into town to see what we have to offer. Trustee Stam made the motion to have the cruise nights on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays of the month starting in April while using the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday as rain date. Trustee Wendt seconded the motion after a voice vote where everyone one in attendance was in favor of the motion was passed.

Nicole and Zach also discussed the dates of the Pumpkin Fest for 2025. The 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of October is going to be the date for the Pumpkin Fest. President O'Connell suggested tying the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Village of St. Anne into the theme this year. President O'Connell asked them in December or January to bring a list of their board members and their financials.

Cory Winstead of FS Grain was unable to attend due to a family issue but he and a few of this people will be there next month. The petition to rezone that section of the property has been filed. The rezoning will be added to the agenda for next month to be approved.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**QUORUM**

**VISITORS:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**PERSON WITH  
PRESENTATION**

**FS GRAIN**

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President O'Connell asked if there were any questions or corrections to the minutes of October 14, 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.

**10/14/2024**  
**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 Dhans that the treasurer's report be approved. After a roll call vote, where all present voted favorably, the motion was carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Clerk Posing asked about the dumpster that is by Grubbs Park since it is locked all the time. The dumpster is for the Youth Group and is mainly in the summer.

**CLERK'S REPORT**

Clerk Posing also reminded the board to spread the word about the Craft Day & hot dogs at the Civic Center on Dec 1<sup>st</sup> from 11:30-2:00.

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

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President O'Connell stated that the TIF and Business District Sales Tax have both been filed with Kankakee County.

**TIF DISTRICT &**  
**BUSINESS DISTRICT**  
**SALES TAX**

President O'Connell spoke with Neil about moving forward with the streetscape project. He was going to look over the initial plans and see what changes we might consider. We will also be applying for a matching grant for the project.

**STREETSCAPE**  
**PROJECT**

President O'Connell stated the work on Phase 2 is going good and hopefully the equipment will be here before the expected date of March 2025.

**PHASE 2 WATER**  
**PROJECT**

President O'Connell informed the board that we are waiting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of project selections with forgiveness. We should know in December if we are selected.

**PHASE 3 WATER**  
**PROJECT**

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President O'Connell stated that FS Grain will be attending the December meeting to layout their plans for their expansion. A truck route has been established that will come north from Guertin Street and enter just north of Station Street.

**FS GRAIN**

President O'Connell stated that the annexation of Dixie Delight is still being worked on.

**ANNEXATION**

President O'Connell mentioned that the Fire Department will be setting the date for Santa Clause to be in town. Once we find out the date there will be tree lighting and a lighted parade.

**SANTA CLAUSE  
ARRIVAL**

Attorney Michael Parish has drafted a spill ordinance that will be put on the agenda for approval in December.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Parish also announced that due to scheduling issues with his practice and the growing needs of the village in the future he has decided to put in his resignation. He will submit it to the President O'Connell in writing later this week. Attorney Parish's resignation letter is attached.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Trustee O'Connell gave the monthly Police report. He read the report as follows: 29 traffic stops, 0 local citations, 12 written warnings, 18 traffic citations, 0 accident, 25 agency assists ambulance, fire, other agencies, 6 suspicious activity calls persons, vehicles, 0 arrest warrants/traffic/felony/misdemeanor, 0 notices to appear in lieu of bail, 3 disorderly conduct/disturbance/fireworks, 4 battery/agg battery, domestic battery/ fights, 0 admin tows, 0 criminal damage to property/vehicle, 3 theft/identity theft/shoplifting, 1 removal. Fines collected were, \$0.00 warrant fees, and \$0.00 e-citations. There was \$0 in administrative tow fines, \$0.00 in golf cart fees, \$0 in ordinance fines and \$900.00 collected from Papineau for a total of \$900.00.

**POLICE REPORT**

**POLICE/JUDICIAL**

Trustee Abrassart suggested we put the yearly donation to Shop with A Cop on the December agenda.

**SHOP WITH A COP**

Trustee Wendt reported that the leaves are being picked up in town now. The company that does it had problems with their equipment. He also stated that the backhoe is still in for repairs.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

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Trustee Abrassart reported that there were 4 building permits issued in the amount of \$64,126.00 with fees collected totaling \$550.00.

**LICENSE AND HEALTH**

Trustee Wendt reported that the concession stands, and park bathrooms have been winterized.

**PARKS AND  
BUILDINGEQUIP.**

President O'Connell brought to the attention of the board that there have been some inquiries as to keeping the park open later so more people can go see the Statue of Liberty lit up at night, it was decided to leave the gate open until 10 p.m.

**PARK OPEN LATER**

Trustee Dhans thanked the board for allowing the purchase of the tasers and body cams. The tasers have been received and issued to the full-time officers. The in-car cameras are waiting to be installed, and the body cams should be here by the end of the month.

**EQUIPMENT/CIVIL  
DEFENSE**

Trustee Stam reported that the bills had been examined by the committee and recommended for payment. It was moved by Trustee Stam, seconded by Trustee Dhans 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.

**PERSONNEL/FINANCE**

The President asked for any new or unfinished business.

**NEW AND  
UNFINISHED**

Trustee Abrassart recommended donating to the family of Bobby Hubert at his passing as he has been a big part of the Pumpkin Fest and the Business district in St. Anne for many years. Everyone in attendance was in favor.

**DONATION TO BOBBY  
HUBERT FAMILY**

President O'Connell asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Stam, seconded by Trustee Wendt, and after a voice vote, where all present voted favorably, the motion was carried, and President O'Connell then adjourned the meeting at 6:51p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Village President

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Village Clerk