## HECKER VILLAGE BOARD MEETING December 10, 2024

President Charles Kujawski called the December 10, 2024, regular Board Meeting to order. After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, the following members answered roll call: Charles Kujawski, Rich Happel, Jim Mueth, Aaron Eckart, Arnold Eckart, Eric Sutton, Lori Amann and Annette Schreder. Douglas Van Buren and Gary Wittenauer were absent.

James Mueth made a motion seconded by Aaron Eckart to approve the November 12, 2024, Board Minutes: Voting all ayes, motion carried.

Treasurer Lori Amann has not received the FSH bill yet. Also in process is Back Street Wine and Dine for up to \$500.00 for Christmas Party and for Gift Cards for \$200.00. With these changes, Rich Happel made a motion seconded by James Mueth to approve the treasurer's report and pay all bills for the month of December. Voting all ayes, motion carried.

**Mayor's Report:** Santa visit went well. About 60 children came to visit Santa. Charlie also reported that he will not be seeking re-election for mayor in the April election. He also let the Board know that Trustee Gary Wittenauer fell down some stairs and is in the hospital and will be out for a while.

Committee Reports:

**Police/EMA**: Park damages have been paid by those involved in the vandalism. All repairs to the damaged equipment have been fixed.

**Water:** The JULIE app is up and working. Tried to convert the water program from UB Max to gWorks, but there were too many issues that needed to be addressed. We are still using UB Max.

Parks: The Dog Stations have been marked and ready for equipment to be installed.

President Kujawski discussed the proposed Tax Levy with the Board. James Mueth made a motion seconded by Arnold Eckart to approve **Ordinance 24-08** Levying the Taxes for the Current Fiscal Year Ending April, 30, 2025. A roll call vote was taken: Rich Happel—yes Arnold Eckart—yes James Mueth—yes Douglas Van Buren—Absent Aaron Eckart—yes Gary Wittenauer—Absent Voting 4 yes and 2 absent, motion carried.

A discussion was also held on raising the Officials salaries after the April Election for the Mayor, Clerk and 3 Trustees. Arnold Eckart made a motion seconded by James Mueth to approve **Ordinance 24-09** Amending Section 1-4-1 of the Village Code Regarding Official Salaries. A roll call vote was taken: Rich Happel—yes James Mueth—yes James Mueth—yes Arnold Eckart—yes Douglas Van Buren—Absent Aaron Eckart—yes Gary Wittenauer—Absent Voting 4 yes and 2 absent, motion carried. It was brought up to renew the liquor license for the Back Street Wine and Dine and the Hecker Community Center.

Aaron Eckart made a motion seconded by Rich Happel to approve the Liquor License for Back Street Wine and Dine and the Hecker Community Center for 1 year beginning January 1, 2025 thru December 31, 2025. Voting all ayes, motion carried.

Arnold Eckart made a motion seconded by James Mueth to adjourn the meeting. Voting all ayes, motion carried.

Next regular Board Meeting will be on January 14, 2025 beginning at 7:30pm.

Submitted by Annette Schreder, Village Clerk