

**TOWN OF KIRKWOOD
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

May 4, 2021

A regular meeting of the Kirkwood Town Board was held on May 4, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the Joseph A. Griffin Town Hall with Supervisor Lewis Grubham presiding.

Present: Supervisor Lewis Grubham
Councilman Robert Weingartner
Councilman William Diffendorf, Jr.
Councilwoman Katie Legg
Councilman Arthur Shafer

Also Present: Robert McKertich, Attorney
Kelley Diffendorf, Town Clerk
John A. Finch Jr., Commissioner of Public Works

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 6, 2021 Town Board Meeting

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Dog Control Report.

Councilwoman Legg reported numbers from the April Dog Control Report. A copy is filed in the Town Clerk's office.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Legg moved to adopt resolution awarding the Sealed Bid for the Air Stripping System Rehabilitation to Jones Specialty Services Group, Inc., being the lowest responsible bidder at \$174,000.00. Councilman Diffendorf seconded.

64:21
Bid Awarded
Air Stripping
System

Discussion. Supervisor Grubham said we met with Jones today, they have not done one of these before but they seem to be very knowledgeable about doing it. I wanted to try and hold this over until we get the stimulus money but it takes about 10 weeks to get the material and if something should happen to one of those strippers were in trouble. I think we are just going to have to proceed with it and use that money for something else later on.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Councilman Diffendorf moved to adopt resolution ratifying a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign the MS4 Municipal Compliance Certification (MCC) Form, in accordance with the attached form. Councilman Shafer seconded.

65:21
Authorize
Signing of MS4
Form

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Councilman Shafer moved to adopt resolution combining the June 29, 2021 Work Session and the July 6, 2021 Town Board Meeting into one night to be held June 29, 2021. Councilman Weingartner seconded.

66:21
Combine Mtgs
6/29 & 7/6

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

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67:21 Councilman Weingartner moved to adopt resolution combining the July 27, 2021 Work
Combine Mtgs Session and the August 3, 2021 Town Board Meeting into one night to be held August 3,
7/27 & 8/3 2021. Councilwoman Legg seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

68:21 Councilwoman Legg moved to adopt resolution combining the August 31, 2021 Work
Combing Mtgs Session and the September 7, 2021 Town Board Meeting into one night to be held
8/31 & 9/7 September 7, 2021. Councilman Diffendorf seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

69:21 Councilman Diffendorf moved to adopt resolution cancelling the November 2, 2021 Town
Reschedule Board Meeting due to Election Day and rescheduling for Monday, November 1, 2021.
11/2 Meeting to Councilman Shafer seconded.
11/1 due to
Election Day

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

70:21 Councilman Shafer moved to adopt resolution scheduling a Special Town Board Meeting
Schedule Special for December 28, 2021, after the Work Session, for the purpose of auditing year end bills
TB Meeting for and any other business that may come before the Board. Councilman Weingartner
Dec 28, 2021 seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

71:21 Councilman Weingartner moved to adopt resolution hiring Terry Everett as Laborer to
Hire T.Everett work in the Parks Department effective May 12, 2021 for 90 days at a rate of pay of
Laborer for \$12.82 per hour. Councilwoman Legg seconded.
Parks

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

72:21 Councilwoman Legg moved to adopt resolution ratifying a resolution authorizing W2
Emergency Operator Training Group, LLC to perform emergency repairs on the Booster Pump, at a
Repairs to cost not to exceed \$3,825.00, in accordance with the attached quote. Councilman
Booster Pump Diffendorf seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
Councilwoman Legg - yes
Councilman Diffendorf - yes
Councilman Shafer - yes
Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

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Councilman Diffendorf moved to adopt resolution increasing Tyler Harpell’s hourly rate \$.38 per hour after completing the Grade C Water Distribution Operator Certification Course, in accordance with the Policy Regarding Salary Increases for Advanced Training or Certification. Councilman Shafer seconded.

73:21
Pay Rate
Increase for
T.Harpell

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilwoman Legg - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Councilman Shafer - yes
 Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Councilman Shafer moved to adopt resolution approving the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials for Jeffrey Hawkes as Town Justice, in accordance with the attached resolution. Councilman Weingartner seconded.

74:21
Approve
Standard Work
Day -
Retirement

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilwoman Legg - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Councilman Shafer - yes
 Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Councilman Weingartner moved to adopt resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Landlord Authorization Form regarding the request from Tori Diffendorf to use Veterans River Park on June 12, 2021 for a wedding and reception and allowing liquor to be served, in accordance with the attached form. Councilwoman Legg seconded.

75:21
Landlord
Authorization
Form
T. Diffendorf
Wedding

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilwoman Legg - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Councilman Shafer - yes
 Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Councilwoman Legg moved to adopt resolution accepting the donation of real property located at 15 Grange Hall Road and dedicating said property as parkland, in accordance with the attached resolution. Councilman Diffendorf seconded.

76:21
Donation of
Property to
Grange Hall Rd
Park

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilwoman Legg - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Councilman Shafer - yes
 Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Diffendorf moved to adopt resolution authorizing the purchase of an In-Field Rake for the Parks Department from Southeast Turf Equipment, Inc., at a cost not to exceed \$7,100.00, in accordance with the attached quote. Councilman Shafer seconded.

77:21
Purchase
In-field Rake
Parks

Discussion. John Finch said since we sold the one mower I mentioned last week on the auction site for \$5,700, I’d like to take that money plus what we have in the parks equipment line to purchase this rake. I would also like to sell the 1998 in-field rake that we already own on the auction site. Between all that we should have more than enough to pay for this newer rake. John Finch responded to Councilman Diffendorf by saying this quote is from a company in Georgia. They buy and refurbish them and put all new equipment on them and sell them again. If we get this rake it comes with a 90 day warranty also. John Finch responded to Councilman Weingartner saying it’s either a 2009 or 2010, it goes by the VIN number. Councilman Diffendorf asked if we have one of these rakes now. John Finch said we have two of these rakes. One for Veteran’s River Park which is from 1998 and is in rough shape and has been flooded twice. I’m not sure how much more we are

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going to get out of it. That is why I'm proposing to get this newer one now. The other rake we own is used at the Valley Park fields and we don't use that one as much so it should last a while. The one at River Park is used heavily on the ball fields.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilwoman Legg - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Councilman Shafer - yes
 Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

78:21
Education -
C.Moran
Code

Councilman Shafer moved to adopt resolution authorizing Chad Moran to attend STBOA Training on June 2-3, 2021 at Tioga Downs Conference Center, Nichols, NY, at a cost of \$100.00, with all reasonable expenses paid. Councilman Weingartner seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilwoman Legg - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Councilman Shafer - yes
 Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

79:21
Audit/Pay

AUDIT AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Councilman Weingartner moved to adopt resolution authorizing the audit and payment of the following claims: General and Highway Funds, Special Districts (Fire, Light, Water and Sewer Districts), Professional Services, Capital Projects and Reserve Funds claims #21000459 through #21000613 in the total amount of \$ 854,103.45, which includes prepaid claims as authorized by resolution adopted January 5, 2021. Councilwoman Legg seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Weingartner - yes
 Councilwoman Legg - yes
 Councilman Diffendorf - yes
 Councilman Shafer - yes
 Supervisor Grubham - yes

MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Weingartner moved to adopt resolution to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Shafer seconded. All voted in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kelley M. Diffendorf
Town Clerk