The Roanoke Village Board meeting was called to order; Mayor Michael Smith presiding.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

There was a moment of silence. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Michael Smith.

**ROLL CALL**

On roll call were Trustee Jeremy Hilton, Trustee Wayne Blunier, Trustee Jerry Hasler, Trustee Kirby Wagner and Trustee Tony Bond. Mayor Michael Smith was also present. Trustee Bob Knepp was absent.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

There was no public input.

**WATERWORKS AND SEWERS**

UPDATE ON LAGOON VIOLATION – Trustee Blunier reported on a meeting with the IEPA regarding the lagoon violation. There is a possibility the Village of Roanoke could be fined for the violation because the IEPA is not satisfied with the progress the village has made and is making. Trustee Wagner was not surprised by the response by the IEPA and felt the outcome was decided before the meeting occurred. Trustee Wagner noted that the reports that would have answered some of the questions during the call were not available which Trustee Wagner thought didn’t help and that the IEPA was more concerned about the track record over the last couple of years rather than recent activity. It was brought to the attention of those participating in the call that some testing needs to occur twice a month which wasn’t being done. The Village’s attorney has been sent all of the information regarding correspondence between the Village of Roanoke and the IEPA since he has been asked to be involved.

**FINANCE**

CLAIMS – Trustee Blunier motioned to approve the claims; Trustee Bond seconded.

 Motion carried by roll call vote.
 Ayes: Blunier, Bond, Hasler, Hilton, Wagner, Smith
 Nayes: None

LEVY ORDINANCE – Trustee Blunier motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-08 Making the Levy for Corporate Purposes for the Fiscal Year Commencing the First Monday in May 2022; Trustee Hasler seconded.

 Motion carried by roll call vote.
 Ayes: Blunier, Hasler, Hilton, Wagner, Bond, Smith
 Nayes: None

**STREETS, ALLEYS AND ORDINANCES**

205 N. FRANKLIN – Trustee Hasler expressed frustration with the owner of the property at 205 N. Franklin. The owner was sent numerous letters asking for repairs to be done on the house to no avail. A disrepair of the roof exposes the inside of the house allowing animals to invade. The owner’s attorney is not able to contact her. The attorney assisting the village with this matter has offered a few options to the village to attempt to rectify the situation. One of the options was to ask a deputy to serve papers to the owner informing her of the village’s intent to start court proceedings for demolition. An individual has expressed interest in purchasing the house, therefore, the board members would like to explore that option also by providing the owner’s phone number to the interested buyer. Trustee Hasler suggested having her attorney visit her workplace to communicate. The board members agreed to ask the attorney to contact her.

**VILLAGE PROPERTY**

SALE OF PARKING LOT –There is someone interested in purchasing part of the property associated with old village hall. Mayor Smith read from an email from Attorney Brunton that relayed the rules of a municipality selling property and described the process to do so. Trustee Hasler is concerned about the appearance of the interested party’s property adjacent to village property currently, therefore, is not in favor of selling any property to the interested party. Trustee Blunier is not in favor of selling it either and felt the property owner should be forced to remove the pile of debris that is situated on village property. Trustee Wagner is in favor of helping businesses but would like to see the property get cleaned up. Trustee Bond felt the village should contact the property owner to offer to work with him on the appearance and storage on the property. Trustee Hilton offered the option of possibly rezoning the property to accommodate some the issues but would like to enforce ordinances if there are violations. Mayor Smith would like to tell him that the board members aren’t on board with selling the property at this time and there are concerns with the appearance of the property. Trustee Wagner will try to contact the interested party.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORTS**

INTERRUPTION OF INTERNET SERVICE – Mayor Smith expressed frustration with the number of times the internet service has been interrupted because of a cut line which disables the use of the phone at village hall. Mayor Smith just wanted to make the board aware. Trustee Bond’s opinion was the public would understand if this happened. The other board members felt a change should not be made.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Trustee Hilton asked for an update on an abandoned house in town. Trustee Hasler contacted the current owner who is trying to get a contractor to clean it up.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Blunier asked if the code book needs to be updated as it has been in the past and wondered who would be responsible for doing it.

Mayor Smith read from an email from Chief Deputy Tipsword regarding the price of a new contract for police services. The cost has increased due to renegotiation of the union contract which resulted in an increase in wages for the deputies. Mayor Smith will forward the email to Trustee Hilton.

Trustee Hilton informed the board members that the Community Development Committee will start organizing the sesquicentennial.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

There will be a regular meeting of the Roanoke Village Board on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at 7:00pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Hilton motioned to adjourn the meeting; Trustee Wagner seconded.

 Motion carried by voice vote.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Crumrine
Village Clerk