

## **VILLAGE BOARD NEWS**

Mayor Pro Tem David Barker called the meeting to order on March 2, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. in the Elkhart Village Hall. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. Answering present: Matt Fights, Abby Fletcher, Nancy Moore, Travis Moore, and Ernie Shaw. Lyle Fout was absent. Attorney Don Behle and Clerk Ann Curry were also present. Visitors present were Jonathon Wright, Peggy Lee, Scott Schaffenacker, and Gillette Ransom.

Motion by Nancy Moore, second by Travis Moore to approve Consent Agenda Items, A, B, C, and D.

- A. Approve meeting minutes from February 3, 2020
  - B. Approve submitted bills and bill sheets
  - C. Approve employee reimbursements
  - D. Approve Treasurer’s report

Roll call vote. All yeas. No nay. Motion carried.

### **RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC**

Johnathan Wright introduced himself. He is the current Resident Circuit Judge for Logan County and he is running for that office again in the March 17, 2020 election.

Peggy Lee reported that one of the unfinished projects she was working on was the Looking for Lincoln application. The application was turned down because Elkhart didn’t have enough Lincoln history.

Scott Schaffenacker, the vice president of the Logan County Board, handed out information about the upcoming Courthouse referendum. The tax they are asking for will go to the Courthouse restoration. The renovation on the dome is the most immediate concern. \$7.5 million is the projected cost. He was here to answer any questions or concerns about the referendum.

Gillette Ransom asked if the Board would allow Main Street to be blocked off from the alley to Latham Street on Friday June 5, 2020. It would be closed from about 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. A Model A Club from Champaign will be having about 15 cars on display. They would be here around 11:30 a.m. They would eat lunch in the Village then go up to the Chapel in the Cemetery for a while, then head to Springfield. Gillette wanted to know if the Village would split the cost of a Port-A-Potty for the Cemetery. We will also need to have a police officer on duty to stop traffic when the cars are leaving the Cemetery.

Gillette also reported that there will be a big festival October 10-12, 2020. The Civil War Roundtable is wanting to come here to have a possible reenactment and other things. She will have more details later.

### **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Lyle received a call from IDOT about expenses and the Motor Fuel account. Dave and Lyle will meet with them to discuss this.

**POLICE**  
No report.

**ATTORNEY**  
No report.

**LIQUOR**  
No report.

**TIF REPORT**  
No report.

**SOLID WASTE**  
No report.

**LOCAL EVENTS LIAISON/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

No report

**WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT**

There was an electrical problem at the well. It was a wiring connection problem.

**STREETS/ALLEYS**

There are a lot of pot holes that need to be fixed. These will be fixed soon.

**BUILDINGS/VILLAGE PROPERTIES/EQUIPMENT**

No report.

**VILLAGE PARK**

The new light was installed at the Village Park.

The Port-A-Potty will be back in the Park in April.

**PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Ernie will be attending a Public Input Forum on Disaster Mitigation. It will be held March 26, 2020 at Lincoln College.

We need to get on property owners about cleaning up their properties. Residents need to make sure they are following ordinances on inoperable vehicles parked on the streets.

**FINANCE**

Two CD's were purchased using TIF funds. One for \$100,000 and one for \$400,000.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**RESOLUTIONS**

None

**ORDINANCE**

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Travis Moore, second by Abby Fletcher to adjourn at 7:09 p.m. Voice vote. All yeas. No nay. Motion carried.

Submitted By

Ann Curry

Village Clerk

**NEWSLETTER INFO**

All material for the April 2020 newsletter should be turned in before

**5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8th, 2020**

Please email your article in Word or as a PDF to [jcjkutz@frontier.com](mailto:jcjkutz@frontier.com)

If there is any event that needs added to the calendar,

Please call (899-5306) or e-mail the information.

# ECHO Bulletin Board

## ASSORTED SEASONED FIREWOOD

Pickup bed (8') full un-split seasoned firewood delivered \$75

Pickup bed (8') full split seasoned firewood delivered \$100

Pickup bed (8') full split seasoned firewood delivered & stacked \$125

Within 10 miles of Elkhart- - any farther will cost additional for gas.

Call 217-671-7376

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### Attention: Volunteers Needed!!!



The Elkhart Fire Department is in need of more volunteers. Currently we have 10 volunteers on our roster but due to some going back to college and others moving out of the district, there is a need to seek new potential volunteers. There are no prerequisites to joining other than to be in good medical health and at least 16 years old. If you are interested in joining and serving your community, please call Chief Akers @ 217-947-2931 or email @ lf154@fdmail.sfm.illinois.gov.

Thank you, Elkhart Fire Dept.

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## Senior Citizen Bingo

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2	17	31	48	63
6	20	38	51	68
7	22	FREE	54	69
12	23	39	57	72
15	27	44	60	75

**1st Tuesday of every month at 2:00 pm**

**At the Village Hall in Elkhart**

**Lots of fun, prizes, and it's FREE to play.**

**Hope you'll join us!!**



Senior Citizens Luncheon  
Wednesday, March 25, 2020  
11:30 at Gina's Talk of the Town



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**ELKHART AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit #66 will meet on Wednesday, April 1st, 1 pm  
at the Elkhart Village Hall

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**NAG Thank You**

Needs and Goals of Elkhart "N.A.G." would like to thank the Community for the support at the Breakfast and Raffle Drawings that we had on Sunday March 1, 2020 from 8-11am. We had a great turnout and raised enough funds to supply lifelines for several months. We had a total of 13 baskets to raffle off and the overall support to our organization is exceptional. For those who are not familiar with our organization we were established in 1984 for the betterment of the Elkhart Community, citizens and downtown. We supply lifelines to anyone in Elkhart area who are in need of one and support different events in the area. Our next meeting is at the Elkhart Township Building on April 1st @ 5:30pm all are welcome.

Our next event is the Annual Plant Sale that will be held at the Elkhart Village Hall on Friday May 1st and Saturday May 2nd. Please watch the echo for our ad next month.

Please like our Facebook page to be connected with all our great events. Our page name is: Elkhart Needs and Goals – NAG

Thank you from the NAG members.

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**March 17, 2020**



# **“Celebrate The Irish”**

**Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Lunch at The Wild Hare Café from 11a-1:00p.**

**Followed by a Celtic Concert at the**

**Historic Gillett Chapel**

**starting promptly at 2pm**

## **Menu**

**Corned Beef & Cabbage with carrots,  
onions, potatoes**

**Fresh baked roll & beverage**

**\$25 per person includes concert, and lunch with tax.  
(tip not included)**

**Or**

**Just concert \$10**

**Reservations required**

**217-947-2238**





St. John the Baptist Chapel on the Hill  
Elkhart, Illinois

# Community Easter Sunrise Service



**Sunday, April 12, 2020**

**Time: 7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.**

**(doors open at 6:45 a.m.)**

**Speaker: Stacy Popejoy, Pastor Elkhart Christian Church**

Celebrate the Savior with music, God's Word,  
Eucharist/Lord's Supper, and devotional.

**Tickets not required. Casual dress. Seating limited to 80.**

Hosted by Elkhart Historical Society. Questions? Call 217-947-2238

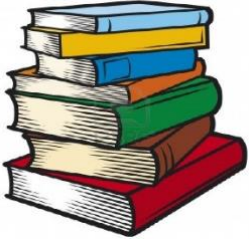
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# Elkhart Public Library District

Hours:  
Mon 4-8 pm  
Tues & Fri 9-11 12-4pm  
Wed & Thurs 9-11 12-8pm  
Sat 9-1pm

## March 2020



### BOOK SALE!!!



Would you like to add to your personal library  
or children's collection?  
**IT'S SPRING AND NOW IS THE TIME!!**

Elkhart Library is undergoing MANY updates and YOU get to benefit. The library's **Spring Book Sale** will begin on **Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>** and run through the end of the month (or sooner if we run out). Books are available in:

**Children/Early Reader (massive overhaul) Children's Non-Fiction**

**Fiction Non-Fiction**

**Junior Fiction**

**Young Adult Fiction**

**Few DVDs**

(Fiction categories of all ages include: romance, mystery, sci-fi, etc.)

Hardcover: \$1

Softcover: \$.50 each or 3/\$1

DVDs: \$1

Beginning on the 21<sup>st</sup>, if the library is open the sale is happening ... come see us!



Know what  
is going on at your library  
"Like" Elkhart Public  
Library District on  
Facebook!

Thank you to  
Ann Olson and  
Barb Oltmanns for  
your thoughtful  
donations!

### Elkhart Library's **LEGO** club!

LEGO club meets every Thursday  
after school - 5:00/5:30pm.  
Come Join the FUN!

Snack will be served : )  
If you have questions, please call  
us at 217-947-2313

### Elkhart Library offers free e-books, audio books, music and more!

[www.elkhartlibrary.lib.il.us](http://www.elkhartlibrary.lib.il.us)

We have popular titles available to download for  
your Kindle, iPad and other e-readers! Please  
feel free to ask questions if you need help.

217-947-2313 or stop in with your device!

Sign in with your library card.

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Paul Brown is the February 8th Grade Student of the Month at Mount Pulaski Grade School. He has demonstrated excellent behavior in and out of the classroom, has a positive attitude toward learning, is respectful of peers and adults, and consistently strives for academic success. Paul is the son of Terry and Shea Campanella of Mt. Pulaski.



Autumn Benhart, daughter of Jason and Kelley Benhart of Mount Pulaski, has been named February-Senior-of-the-month at Mount Pulaski High School. She was selected for this honor based on the criteria of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

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Mt. Pulaski High School Board Minutes

January 21, 2020

<https://www.mtpulaski.k12.il.us/article/182246?org=cusd23>

February 18, 2020

<https://www.mtpulaski.k12.il.us/article/196583?org=cusd23>

The next regular board meeting is March 16, 2020 at 6pm

The links above are located on the Mount Pulaski School District website

<https://www.mtpulaski.k12.il.us/o/cusd23/news>

Links to new school district websites:

<https://www.mtpulaski.k12.il.us/o/cusd23>

<https://www.mtpulaski.k12.il.us/o/mphs>

<https://www.mtpulaski.k12.il.us/o/mpgs>