

West Union Village Council

February 1, 2021

West Union Village Council met in special session at 7:00 p.m., on 2-1-2021, at the Municipal Building, Council President, Randy Brewer presiding. Call to order, pledge to the flag, and roll call: John R Lafferty – present, Mark Brewer – absent, Jason Francis – present, Donna Young – present, Steve Rothwell - present; also in attendance: Tanya Johnson – Clerk, Shelley Gifford – Treasurer, Jerry Kirker – Village Administrator/ Fire Chief. Visitors: Mike Pell – First State Bank, Bob Gage – GNT Realty, Paul Brown, David Gifford, Alan Holsinger, Patty Holsinger, Donna Glenn, Ralph Glenn, Adam Fulton, Ashley McCarty – People’s Defender.

President of Council, Randy Brewer, announced the only topic that was being heard tonight will be the closing of West Street between Main Street and Walnut Street, and the location of new Dollar General.

Bob Gage, GNT Realty, passed out two preliminary site plans on the corner of South Manchester Street and West Walnut Street. The first document represented that half of West Street would be closed. The second document indicated that West Street would not close. He asked Council about safety issues such as: crosswalks, speed bumps and signs.

Council member, Steve Rothwell, told Gage that Council wanted to keep West Street open.

Council member, John R Lafferty, asked if GNT Realty had often closed streets, Gage said only a couple.

Council member, Donna Young, talked about parking, and a fence between the Dollar General and the First State Bank.

Mike Pell, President of the First State Bank, said he was in favor of the new Dollar General, but this bank was their busy branch and West Street was very important to them.

Council member, Donna Young, asked if the front of the store could face Walnut Street, Gage will check into this matter.

Gage talked to Council about the unloading of delivery trucks. He said construction should start by July and finish by November.

Jerry Kirker, Village Administrator, spoke on the sixteen-inch water main, sewer force main, fire hydrants, water and sewer taps.

Alan and Patty Holsinger told Council it was a bad way to find out the way they did, meaning that their business would need to be moved. Donna Glenn agreed because she found out the same way, that she will need to move out of her mobile home.

Council discussed about a few empty buildings in the Village, Gage informed Council they did not do remodels.

Paul Brown told Gage about the Kepp property on SR 41N. Council informed him of a few other properties in the Village.

Motion by Jason Francis to adjourn, second by Donna Young, roll call vote: all yea, meeting adjourned.