

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD
April 8, 2024

Meeting called to Order 7:00 p.m.

Those Present:

President:

Ernest Millsap

Clerk:

Stephanie Gardner

Trustees:

Jorea Touranjeau

Vicky Moxley

Lida Mills

Dominic Misasi

Attorney:

John O'Connell

Pat Rogers

Those Absent:

Trustee:

Tim Kovel

Larry Rice

Those also present: Melody Salerno, Rose Mary Lopez, Joseph Klotz, Rodney Cummings, Tom Brandstedt, Jody Kovel, Ken Tucker, Matt Struve

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments from the Audience:

Martine Scheuarman- Resident-is concerned about the volume of the microphones. Attendees are not able to hear well in the back of the room. Clerk Gardner informed her the new processors are on order and this is supposed to fix the issue. If that does not work, a few microphones may need to be replaced. Mr. Salerno has been addressing the issue.

Motion to approve Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on March 11, 2024 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve minutes of the March 11, 2024 meeting was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None.

Motion to File for Audit the Finance Statement for February 2024. Motion to file for Audit Finance Statement of February 2024 was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Ms. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None.

Motion to approve Bills as submitted for the Month of March. Motion to approve the March 2024 bills was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Ms. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None.

Motion to approve/deny Closed Session Minutes from the March 11, 2024 meeting. Motion to approve the March 11, 2024 Closed Session Minutes was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mrs. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None.

Motion to approve/deny giving the Police Committee the Authorization to approve the purchase of Flock Safety Software at the Tuesday, April 9, 2024 Police Committee Meeting. Motion to approve giving the Police Committee Authorization to approve/deny the purchase of Flock Safety Software was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None.

Presentation by Russell McKinley and Jeff Kopp from KME Founder, Inc. DBA Acorn Print Solutions Location at 6880 River Rd. Unit 10. They are renting the unit from Mr. Price. All questions answered. Mr. Struve made a recommendation to the Board of Trustees to approve the Business License to Acorn Print Solutions, contingent upon passing a Building/Fire Inspection.

Motion to approve/deny Business License to Acorn Print Solutions. Motion to approve Business License to Acorn Print Solutions pending approval from the Fire Department and Building Department was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mrs. Moxley Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None.

Report from Village Clerk, Stephanie Gardner:

-The Cook County Ethics Statements are due by May 1, 2024. We have a few people who need to submit still. I am contacting these people individually.

-A moment of Silence to remember Cook County Clerk, Karen Yarbrough who passed away April 7, 2024.

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell:

Mr. O'Connell reported Management for the Quarry Shopping Center has changed. Principle Real Estate Investment will take over. Mid-America handled the day to day operations and they have been replaced by Fidelius Management. He and Mr. Millsap will be meeting with the company tomorrow.

Report from Village Attorney, Pat Rogers:

Mr. Rogers reported an accident with a Police car from approximately 13 months ago was settled. There is no personal responsibility of the Officer. The Village will not be contributing to the settlement.

Report from Village Comptroller, Melody Salerno:

Mrs. Salerno reported the price of 6601 Kane Avenue lot was reduced to \$60,000 from \$85,000 due to lack on interest in the property. 2 people have shown interest in the lot, but no contracts/deposits have been received.

-2 Public Works vehicles were put out for Bid. 2008 Chevrolet Silverado and 1999 International Truck.

-2008 Chevy Silverado winning bid was \$14,127.00 to the Village of Bridgeview.

-1999 International Truck winning bid was \$15,127.00 to the Village of Bridgeview.

Report from Superintendent, Jody Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported employees have been trained on the new Street Sweeper and it is being used.

-Flowers will be arriving next month.

-Cross walk signs have been put back out.

Report from Building Commissioner, Matt Struve:

Mr. Struve reported Valley Oaks is going to be doing some home renovations. A demolition permit has been issued for 1 home.

-2 new homes will be breaking ground in the Village soon.

-Property Maintenance and inspections continue.

-Terry Nelson, President of the Manufacture Home Association will be having a meeting with the Building Department next week to discuss issues.

Report from Village Engineer, Thomas Brandstedt:

Mr. Brandstedt reported he received the final Civil Engineering plans for Duckee's Travel Center. MWRD permits still need to come through.

- North Bound East Avenue will continue to be closed for another for 3-4 weeks for Sewer structure improvements from Joliet Rd. to 55th Street. They are running a little behind schedule.

-There was a meeting with the Architect for the new Public Works Building, regarding the Interior design. The ground breaking Ceremony was held April, 2, 2024.

Report from Chief of Police, Joseph Klotz:

Mr. Klotz reported they have been talking with Flock Safety Group regarding License Plate reading cameras. There will be a presentation by Flock Group at a Police Committee Meeting on April 9, 2024 at 6:00p.m.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley

Mrs. Moxley reported she has completed her 16 hours of Pension Board Education. There is a Pension Board Meeting on April 10, 2024.

Public Works Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel

Absent-No report

Police Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

No Report.

Building Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel

Absent- No Report

Water Committee, Chairman Jorea Touranjeau

Mrs. Touranjeau referred to Mr. Ken Tucker.

-Mr. Tucker reported both the River Road and Quarry Shopping Center Water Towers will be getting cleaned.

Zoning Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills

No Report

E.S.D.A Committee, Jorea Touranjeau

No Report.

Public Relations Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported April 10th is the Business Appreciation Breakfast at 7:30am.

- April 17th is the Aging Well Meet and Greet at 6:00 pm in the Larry Rice Room.

Interested people must be 55 years or older and a Resident of the Villages of Hodgkins or McCook.

-May 27th is Memorial Day Service at 11:00am. Public Works will be putting the crosses out again this year prior to Memorial Day Weekend.

-June 14th is Concert in the Park from 6:00- 9:00p.m.

Health Committee Chairman, Stephanie Gardner

-1 ramp and 1 lift were installed in March. We had one lift damaged from a car accident. This is the homeowner's responsibility to have it fixed, and it is in process.

Aging Well Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills

Mrs. Mills reported there were 20 people present at the March Aging Well Meeting.

There were presentations from The Hodgkins Public Library, Hodgkins Park District and Aging Care Connections.

-The next Meeting will be April 17, 2024 at 6:00p.m. Please RSVP as pizza will be ordered.

Motion to go into Closed Session for discussion on the following:

- 1.) Previous Closed Session Minutes
- 2.) Real Estate

Motion to go into Closed Session at 7:22 pm to discuss the above was made by Ms. Touranjeau. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None

Motion to resume Open Session at 7:40 pm was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Resolution #2024-06 Making Certain Closed Session Minutes Open to the Public. Motion to approve Resolution #2024-06 was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Ms. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills, Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None

Old Business:

New Business:

Mr. Rogers commended the Board and Weeping Willow for hosting a well-attended event this past Saturday. It was a well-received event.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Moxley, Mrs. Mills and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None.

Signed: 
Stephanie Gardner, Village Clerk

Date Approved: 5/13/2024

Ayes: 5 Absent: 1
Nays: 0 Abstain: 0