# VILLAGE OF HODGKINS MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD October 14, 2024

Meeting called to Order 7:00 p.m.

**President: Those Present:** Ernest Millsap

> Clerk: Stephanie Gardner **Trustees:**

Vicky Moxley

Robert V. (RV) Millsap

Tim Kovel Dominic Misasi Jorea Touranjeau

Lida Mills

John O'Connell **Attorneys:** 

**Pat Rogers** 

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments from the Audience:

Motion to approve Minutes of the Special Board Meeting on September 24, 2024 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve minutes of the September 24, 2024 meeting was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Ms. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

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

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

Presentation of Commendations to Police Officers by Chief Joseph Klotz.

Motion to approve/deny Intergovernmental for the Provision of Environmental Health Inspectional Services. Motion to approve Intergovernmental Agreement was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Closed Session Minutes from the September 9, 2024 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting. Motion to approve the September 9, 2024 Closed Session Minutes was approved by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. RV Millsap. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Intergovernmental Cooperate Agreement Between the Village of Hodgkins and the Pleasantview Fire Protection District. Motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement was made by Mr. Kovel. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Resolution #2024-10 Adoption of the update of the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion to Approve Resolution #2024-10 was made by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Resolution #2024-11 Allowing Elected or Appointed Governing Body Officials to Participate in IMRF. Motion to approve Resolution #2024-11 was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Kovel. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Discussion/Action Regarding Seeking a request for Proposal (RFP) for Waste Hauling/Recycling. Mr. Rogers explained the Waste Management Contract expires on December 1, 2024. Mostly everyone was satisfied with the service. President Millsap would like up to go out for request for proposal with Major Waste Haulers. Mr. Brandstedt and Mr. Rogers are working on the proposal. Everything that we currently provide will be in the proposal. We would continue with a 3-year proposal.

Motion to approve/deny allowing Mr. Rogers and Mr. Brandstedt to go forward in seeking a Request for Proposal for Waster Hauling/Recycling Services. Motion to approve was moving forward with RFP was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

## Report from Village Clerk, Stephanie Gardner:

- Early Voting began October 9, 2024 at the Court Houses. October 21, 2024 Early Voting begins at the Brookfield and Lyons Village Halls. The Village of Hodgkins will not be hosting early voting.

-We are beginning to work on Liquor and Business Licenses for the 2025 Business Year.

## Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell:

Mr. O'Connell reported the Annual Joint TIF Review Board Meeting was held this afternoon. TIF #2 and #4 are in good shape, Mr. Lightcap reported on the 2 TIF's.

-Mr. O'Connell is working on the Special Events Permit Application. It will be reviewed and then presented to the Board.

## Report from Village Attorney, Pat Rogers:

Mr. Rogers reported Eileen Burke, State's Attorney Candidate visited Hodgkins. She thanked Mr. Rogers and all who attended. The Village of Hodgkins did not make any Financial Contribution to Ms. Burke's campaign.

## Report from Village Comptroller, Melody Salerno:

Absent-No Report

## Report from Superintendent, Jody Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported work on the new Public Works Building continues.

- -67th Street had some "Slow 20 mph" markings placed on the street to help with speeders.
- -Christmas Decorations will start to be installed November 1st.

## Report from Building Commissioner, Matt Struve:

Absent- No Report

#### Report from Village Engineer, Thomas Brandstedt:

Mr. Brandstedt reported Police Station Roof Project is nearing completion. The certification will be presented once the walk through is complete.

- -The Justice/Willow Springs Water Connection Plans are about 90% complete. Com Ed will be met with to talk about Power Connection. Vault Design is being worked on now.
- -Mr. Kovel asked about the railroad grades at the crossing. A new plan will be presented.

## Report from Chief of Police, Joseph Klotz:

No further report

Rodney Cummings presented an update on the Santa Fe Prairie Connection. Mr. Cummings. said the River Through History Rendezvous had a nice turn out.

- -The Caboose was reorganized in museum type style.
- -There will be a work day on November  $12^{th}$ , if anyone is interested in volunteering contact Mr. Cummings.
- -There will planning on an upcoming Rt. 66 Event in 2026.
- -A tall grass specialist did some test plot to prevent invasive grass species.

- -DNR stewardship Grant is being applied for.
- -Next meeting is Thursday, October 17th.

## **Committee Reports:**

## Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley

Mrs. Moxley reported everyone will begin to work on the 2025 Budget. The Annual Budget Meeting will be in November.

## Public Works Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported there was floor grading in the new facility that was completed by the Public Works Department.

- -Tree Trimming is being done by Public Works.
- -Cargo boxes will be purchased to hold Christmas Decorations. They will be placed near the Building.
- Public Works is doing a good job.

#### Police Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported the roof is complete. We are awaiting final inspection. Sealant has been applied in the Sally Port so that project is complete.

-Chief Klotz has posted rules on Electric Powered Bicycles on the Police Department Website. They will also be posted in the next communicator.

## Building Committee, Chairman, Robert (RV) Millsap

Mr. RV Millsap reported there are meetings with BNF technologies regarding updating Residential Codes.

- -There are 3 houses under construction
- -The Codes will be updated for the Mobile Home Department.

### Water Committee, Chairman Jorea Touranjeau

Mrs. Touranjeau reported Hydrant Flushing is being completed.

#### 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 November 3<sup>rd</sup> will be a Fund Raiser for a Village Employee.

November 19th is the Hodgkins Food Pantry.

- November 24<sup>th</sup> is Hodgkins Holiday Happenings 4:30-7:00 p.m.
- -December 7<sup>th</sup> is Breakfast with Santa.
- -December 17<sup>th</sup> is Secretary of State at the Village Hall 10:00-2:00 p.m. Call the Village Hall for an appointment.

## Health Committee Chairman, Stephanie Gardner

-COVID and Flu shots are available at the local pharmacies.

## Aging Well Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills

Mrs. Mills reported there was a Field Trip to Medieval Times there were about 30 people who went.

- -This month will be a Halloween Party.
- -November will be a Friendsgiving lunch celebration.
- -Jenny Gardner will be displaying her Christmas Village at the museum. It will be on display from November through January. It is a beautiful display.

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

- 1.) Personnel
- 2.) Previous Closed Session Minutes

Motion to go into Closed Session at 7:31 pm to and allow Superintendent Jody Kovel to be present for a portion. Motion to go into Closed Session was made by Mr. Kovel. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to resume Open Session at 7:45 pm was made by Mr. Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Ordinance #24-12 Opening Certain Closes Session Minutes. Motion to approve Ordinance #24-12 was made by Mr. Millsap. Second by Ms. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

#### **Old Business:**

#### **New Business:**

Motion to donate \$5000.00 to the Karing for Kaitlyn Fundraiser. Motion to approve the \$5000.00 donation was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mrs. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Mrs.

Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. was made by Mr. Kovel. Second by Mr. RV Millsap. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Signed: The Manie Gardner, Village Clerk

Date Approved: 11/11/2024

Ayes: 6 Absent: 0 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0