

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD
September 9, 2024

Meeting called to Order 7:00 p.m.

Those Present:

President:	Ernest Millsap
Clerk:	Stephanie Gardner
Trustees:	Vicky Moxley
	Robert V. (RV) Millsap
	Tim Kovel
	Dominic Misasi
	Jorea Touranjeau
	Lida Mills
Attorneys':	John O'Connell
	Pat Rogers

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments from the Audience:

-Resident Sharon Wells addressed a Car Show that occurred at Salerno's Restaurant over the weekend. The noise was so loud her windows, doors and walls were shaking. She filed a complaint at the Police Department. This is not the first time it has happened. She is also concerned about cars who are blowing the stop sign along Lyons Street. Electric bikes are going too fast on the sidewalks and not acknowledging driveways and she feels it is out of control.

Mayor Millsap addressed the Salerno's incident over the weekend. The Village was not made aware they were going to be hosting a large event. Officer's video and body cam are being reviewed. There was a list of people who complained. Salerno's will be brought in for a meeting to discuss the matter.

-Mayor Millsap will meet with Chief Klotz to discuss the motorized bikes.

Motion to approve Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on August 12, 2024 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve minutes of the August 12, 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 July 2024. Motion to file for Audit Finance Statement of July 2024 was made by Mrs. Moxley. 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 Bills as submitted for the Month of August. Motion to approve the August 2024 bills was made by Ms. Touranjeau. Second by Mr. Kovel. 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 August 12, 2024 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting. Motion to approve the August 12, 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 Ordinance #24-06 Amending Title 10 Chapter 8 Regarding Manufactured Housing Communities. This refers to vacant Mobile Homes Manufactured in or before 1976. Motion to approve Ordinance #24-06 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

Motion to approve/deny Ordinance #24-07 Amending Title 10 Chapter 8 Section 10-8-10 by adding Subparagraph A regarding Manufactured Housing Communities. Motion to approve Ordinance #24-07 was made by Mr. RV Millsap. Second by Mr. Kovel. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Ordinance #24-10 wherein the Village of Hodgkins under its Home Rule Authority opts out of the Cook County Paid Leave Plan. Motion to approve Ordinance #24-10 was made by Ms. Touranjeau. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Discussion/Action regarding Zoning Board of Appeals Recommendations for the Hodgkins Public Library Variance(s) for their New Building. Mr. O'Connell explained the application from the Library District and the Variance recommendations. An Ordinance will be prepared to submit to the Engineering firm, which revises on a yearly bases any Zoning Changes made. There are 5 Variances requested out of the 6 lots.

Motion to approve/deny Zoning Board of Appeals Recommendations for the Hodgkins Public Library Variance(s) for their New Building. Motion to approve the ZBA recommendations was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Ms. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

-Mr. O'Connell advised there will be a Zoning Board Committee Hearing on September 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. to address 5 out of the 6 lots the library sits on are Zoned Residential versus Public Lands. It will be Proposed to change the Zoning Map and make all 6 lots Public Lands. An Ordinance will be Voted on at the October Board Meeting.

Discussion/Action regarding demolition of Garage at 6506 Wenz Avenue. Motion to approve demolition of Garage at 6506 Wenz Avenue under the Beautification Program was made 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 bid for Police Station Roof Replacement of \$173,375.00 to F&G Roofing. There were 4 bidders. The Low Bid retracted their bid due to an error they made. F&G is the second low bid. Motion to approve alternate Bid as recommended by Mr. Brandstedt 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

Report from Village Clerk, Stephanie Gardner:

- At the October Board Meeting we will go into Closed Session for the Bi-Annual review of Closed Session Minutes

-2024 Property Tax appeals deadline is September 11, 2024. Appeals can be filed online or in person at the Cook County Assessor's Office.

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell:

Mr. O'Connell reported the Duckee's Project on 75th Street is underway. There was a Conference Call with the Tollway to Obtain 16,000 square feet. The developer is planning a waterfall appearance for the detention.

Report from Village Attorney, Pat Rogers:

No Report

Report from Village Comptroller, Melody Salerno:

Mrs. Salerno reported there was a meeting in June with department to discuss budgets and current spending. Everything was favorable. In the next month's Department Heads will be working on the 2025 Budget.

Report from Superintendent, Jody Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported they installing some Flashing Stop Signs on Lyons Streets.

-Work on the new Public Works Building has started. Everyone is working on preparing for concrete. A gas line will be installed by the Village Employees.

-Christmas Decorations will start to be checked and prepared for November installation.

Report from Building Commissioner, Matt Struve:

-The new homes in the process of being built throughout the community are progressing.

-6609 Chester Avenue Demolition and asbestos removal are scheduled.

-Meeting with Ownership of Manufactured Home Communities Meetings to discuss Property Maintenance and Code Enforcement.

-Pre Sale Inspections have been completed

-New Walk in Coolers at Sam's Club have been completed.

Report from Village Engineer, Thomas Brandstedt:

Mr. Brandstedt reported the Justice/ Willow Springs Water Commission Plans are completed. Schematics will be completed next and then it will go out for Bid.

Report from Chief of Police, Joseph Klotz:

Mr. Klotz reported a new Officer was sworn in. He has started Police Training Academy and should graduate in December.

-School is in session. Please stop completely at stop signs and obey the speed limits. There are speed signs being put in place. School zone lights have been programed for bus drop off and pick up times.

-Mayor Millsap commended Chief Klotz and the Police Department for using the Flach Cameras and Investigative techniques to solve an incident at Sam's within approximately 2 hours of happening.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley

Mrs. Moxley reported everyone will begin to work on the 2025 Budget.

Public Works Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported the Public Works Building is progressing. There were no windows included, so Public Works Employees bought and installed the windows to save the Village Approximately \$12,000.00.

-Tree Trimming has increased the lighting on the Parkways.

Police Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported concrete repairs in the Sally Port are complete. Painting and carpeting in the offices have been complete

Building Committee, Chairman, Robert (RV) Millsap

Mr. RV Millsap reported The Village, Park District, and Fire Department met by the Fuel Tank refilling station. It has been discussed moving the location to make it safer and easier to access.

Water Committee, Chairman Jorea Touranjeau

Mrs. Touranjeau reported work is still being done on the Justice/Willow Springs Water Connection

Zoning Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills

There will be a meeting on September 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

E.S.D.A Committee, Jorea Touranjeau

Mrs. Touranjeau reported E.S.D.A. Members will be worked the Village Picnic and everything went well.

Public Relations Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported the Haunted House is the last weekend in October.

- November 24th is Hodgkins Holiday Happenings

-December 7th is Breakfast with Santa.

-December 17th 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 Lake Geneva and Lunch. Thanks to Eileen Tucker for Driving the Bus. Thank you to Denise Struve for supplying the snacks for the bus.

-This Month will be a trip to Medieval Times September 21, 2024. There are 30 people going.

-The Village and Park District did a very nice job with the Village Picnic.

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

1.) Personnel

Motion to go into Closed Session at 7:32 pm to discuss Personnel, and allow Chief Klotz to be present for a portion, followed by Mrs. Salerno present was made by Mr. Misasi. 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 7:54 pm 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

Discussion/Action regarding hiring a new Patrol Officer per the Civil Service Commission recommendations. Motion to approve hiring a new Patrol Officer for a possible opening in January per the Civil Service Commission Recommendation was made by Mr. RV Millsap.

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

Old Business:

New Business:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. RV Millsap. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. RV Millsap, Mr. Kovel, Mr. Misasi, Ms. Touranjeau, Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Signed: Stephanie Gardner
Stephanie Gardner, Village Clerk

Date Approved: 9/24/2024

<i>Ayes: 6</i>	<i>Absent: 0</i>
<i>Nays: 0</i>	<i>Abstain: 0</i>