

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AUGUST 11, 2008

Meeting called to order: 7:00 P.M.

Those present:

President: Noel Cummings

**Trustee: Donald Cuttill
Vicky Moxley
Larry Rice
Paul Struve
Ernest Millsap
Thomas Christopher**

**Attorney: John O'Connell
Patrick Rogers**

Pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on July 14, 2008, as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the payment of bills for the month of July. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny the bid from Genco Industries at a cost of \$26,700.00 for the water system modifications/liquid chlorine system installation. Mr. Christopher states this is a departure from the gaseous procedure and is safer for operators to administer. Motion to approve by Mr. Christopher. Second by Mr. Millsap. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny the Agreement with Cook County for the Cook County Mobile Video and Data Communications Network. Mr. Rogers states this acceptance will be in the form of **Resolution 08-03**. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mr. Christopher. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny extending the current lease for Advantage Chevrolet located at 6825 Santa Fe Drive for another year. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Millsap. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Robert Harris to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Millsap has spoken with Mr. Harris (who is on vacation) and states that Mr. Harris is appreciative of the appointment. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Randy Caldwell to the Civil Service Commission. Motion to approve by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cainkar

No Report.

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell

Mr. O'Connell has filed a complaint for condemnation on the 0.88 acres right off Burma Road and between Burma Road and Weeping Willow Road. There has been a delay with the purchase because of negotiations between Certified and IAC. Mr. O'Connell also filed a motion of immediate vestment of title. This is the first time the "quick-take" authority has been used. The property owners, International Airport Centers, are going to agree to immediate vestment of title. This means that we will get title to the property so we can sell the property to Continental Toyota and continue to build the new road. Mr. O'Connell is hopeful this will all be accomplished by the September board meeting.

Report from Chief of Police, Phillip Kringlie

- Chief Kringlie states Patrol Officer Hansel Howard has submitted a letter stating his intent to retire effective September 9, 2008. Officer Howard has over twenty-five years of service to the Hodgkins Police Department.
- Chief Kringlie has reserved a position at the Police Academy starting September 15, 2008, for the next officer to attend. This class will finish December 4, 2008.
- Two of the three new vehicles have been delivered and are in the process of being prepared for patrol use.

Report From Building Inspector, Robert Evans

Mr. Evans reports the Toyota project is going well. There was an incident during the hard rains the other day which was handled very well by our Department of Public Works and the contractors for the Toyota project.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Larry Rice, Chairman

No Report.

Streets and Alley Committee, Paul Struve Chairman

Mr. Struve states there was a meeting July 30. There was discussion regarding street sign replacement. Mr. Cuttill has investigated the street sign types and has made recommendations regarding the type of signs. The directive of the Board is to order the signs. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Millsap. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Building Committee, Paul Struve, Chairman

Mr. Struve states there was a meeting July 14. The Islands across from Wonder Bread have been removed. Mr. Evans states that all the requirements imposed by the Village for the removal have been met.

Water Committee, Thomas Christopher, Chairman

Mr. Christopher states there was a meeting July 30. There was discussion of the change of the type of water chlorination to be used. At this meeting there was also discussion pertaining to back flow preventers. Back flow preventers are designed to prevent anyone from contaminating our water supply system.. Mr. Rogers states that the inspections have been done and we are in compliance, we have just not received documentation.

Police Committee, Ernest Millsap, Chairman

Mr. Millsap states that the Hodgkins Police Department has initiated a "foot patrol" during the summer months. The feedback is very good and is well received by the residents.

9-1-1 Committee, Ernest Millsap, Chairman

Mr. Millsap reminds the Board members there will be a ground breaking for the New Village Hall on Saturday, September 6, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. at the old Village Hall site. This coincides with the Village Picnic on that weekend.

Additionally, there will be a street dedication at the former Reservoir Road to renamed John O'Connell Drive.

Zoning Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

No Report.

E.S.D.A. Committee, Thomas Christopher, Chairman

Mr. Christopher states that the new siren (130 db) has been ordered and is scheduled for installation at the Santa Fe Drive fire house location.

Mr. Struve suggests that if there is still difficulty hearing the new siren because of distance or windows being closed. A portable radio with a NOAA weather band should be purchased and left in the alert mode if the siren cannot be heard.

Residents were reminded that the Park District is opened for residents to take shelter during severe weather conditions.

Public Relations Committee, Donald Cuttill, Chairman

No Report.

Health Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

Mrs. Moxley reminds everyone that school is getting ready to start and we should all be vigilant about the children in the area.

Old Business**New Business**

Comments from the Audience

There was a resident from Weeping Willow Ranch concerned about the condition of Weeping Willow Road and Burma Road. She was disgruntled about the residents being left with two roads in various stages of construction. Primarily, the night the sirens were sounded because she could not see down the road for the rain and darkness.

Mr. O'Connell states that there have been improvements made to the road recently. Additionally, the contractor has advised us that Weeping Willow Road, a Village street, will be finished by the middle of September, although it is not a guarantee. You will be emanating from Weeping Willow Ranch from that street. Burma Road will be closed when Weeping Willow Road is completed so a permanent road can be constructed. All of this work is expected to be completed by the spring of 2009. Furthermore, we are pursuing the State of Illinois to provide a traffic light at the Weeping Willow Road and La Grange Road (U.S. Route 45. There is no guarantee on this point). This request has been denied in the past because of traffic back-up potential on the I-55 exit ramp. Mr. Cummings has requested a trip switch light that would only activate the light when needed by someone on Weeping Willow Road.

Mr. Camboni States that there has been some communications breakdown, for which he will takes some of the blame. There will be better communications with the residents from this point on with regard to what is taking place with the road construction. Mr. Camboni will also distribute a flyer to the residents of Weeping Willow Ranch who were not here tonight.

Mr. Camboni also congratulated the Village with their quick response to the mud slide during the heavy rain the other day.

There was another resident who is concerned about the large stone used on the road. There have been tires damaged by the large stones. Mr. Cummings states he will take care of that.

There is also another issue with a sign directing people to Weeping Willow Ranch, which will be addressed.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Adjourned: 7:55 P.M.

Claude Sexton, Clerk

Date Passed:

Voting Aye:

Voting Nay:

Absent:

Abstain: