

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS

MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 14, 2008

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

Those present:

President: Noel Cummings

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

Attorney: John O'Connell
Patrick Rogers

Those absent:

Trustee: Paul Struve

Pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on June 9, 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. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

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

Mr. Cummings asked Mr. Hortsman of Virchow Krause & Company to deliver the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Mr. Hortsman asked Mr. Joseph M. Lightcap to review the highlights (because the report is over 100 pages long) of the report for the Board of Trustees. Mr. Hortsman asked the Board of Trustees if there were any questions at this time. Mr. Hortsman suggested the report be examined in detail at a Finance Committee meeting. Mr. Rice indicated he would call a Finance Committee meeting in the near future for the purposes of examining the report.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny payment #4 and final to Chicagoland Paving for \$5,122.09 for work performed on Reservoir Road. Motion to approve by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Cuttill. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny payment #5 to P. Walker Brothers, Inc. for \$351,334.01 for Stage 1 earthwork and site preparation at the property

intersection of LaGrange Road and 67th Street. Motion to approve by Mr. Cuttill. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny bid proposal from Swallow Construction for \$160,265.00 for East Avenue Water Main replacement – Phase V Lyons Street to Mance Road/ CDBG No. 07-025. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny Engineer's payment estimate No. 1 & semi-final to Alpine Demolition Services for \$37,466.87 for the demolition of the Village Hall. Motion to approve by Mr. Cuttill. Second by Mr. Christopher. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny awarding bid for Continental Toyota Stage 3 work to Vegter/Albin Carlson & Co. for \$4,660,633.63. This involves part of the construction of the road and Weeping Willow Road. Additionally, there are some costs for the retention/retaining wall. Mr. Cainkar considers this a highly reputable company and recommends the approval. Motion to approve by Mr. Cuttill. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Countryside and the Village of Hodgkins for emergency water connections. The connection crosses Joliet Road and would service both municipalities in the event of a water supply emergency. Motion to approve by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Christopher. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny **Ordinance 08-08** Authorizing a 6(b) Ordinance for Power Washing Systems building at 6840 River Road. This company petitioned the Village Building Committee some time ago for a license to operate a business in the Village of Hodgkins. They plan to build a 40,000 ft² building. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny **Ordinance 08-09** Amending Title 6, Chapter 6, Section 2B of the Village Code of Hodgkins Entitled "Stop Intersections Designated." This change adds Kimball Avenue at Lyons Street to the ordinance. There currently is no stop sign at the corner of Lyons and Kimball Avenues. Motion to approve by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Millsap. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve a Builder/Contractor for the New Village Hall. Mr. Millsap motions to have Mr. Cummings contact J. P. Bruno for a final meeting to discuss, and clarify some questions and issues raised at tonight's Building Committee. Mr. Cummings is to have the authority to approve or deny contracting with J. P. Bruno Company to construct the new Village Hall. Not more than two trustees are to attend the meeting. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny the Cook County Mobile Video and Data Communications Network Participation Agreement. Mr. Rogers suggests that this item be tabled until the August meeting in order to more closely review the agreement. Motion to table by Mr. Christopher. Second by Mr. Cuttill. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny the hiring of a Patrol Officer from the eligibility list. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny the 2007 Audit. Motion to approve by Mr. Christopher. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, 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 states that the work on the Toyota Dealership at 67th and La Grange Road there was an extra entitlement from the engineer stated that we needed to acquire extra property from Certified Grocers to facilitate the project. In September of 2007 negotiations began for the acquisition of the property. Complications began when Certified sold the property. A redevelopment agreement has been reached with the new owners of the property. The acquisition of the 0.88 acres will be purchased a 0.31 acres will be sold to Continental Toyota. The problem now is that Certified has announced that they are planning to merge with a company call Central Grocers and that will entail that they will move out of their current location to a spot that is being built in New Lennox. The new owners and Certified are in discussion regarding how long Certified will remain in this location. In that regard Certified wants to stay a little longer than IAC would like them to stay (mid 2009). The leverage Certified has been exercising before they agree to sign a lease modification, because they are getting less land. This needs to be completed before IAC can sell us the property. Mr. Cummings and Mr. O'Connell plan to meet with the new CEO of Certified (Mary Burke). Mr. O'Connell feels confident that an agreement can be reached. The goal is to have Continental Toyota operational by late summer or early fall of 2009. There is a \$15,000 invoice for paving of the parking lot we had moved. We agreed to pay for the paving and any electrical expenses for the land. Motion to approve paying the \$15,000 by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Cuttill. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Next week Burma Road will be opened and Weeping Willow Road will be closed for work.

Mr. O'Connell further adds that Mr. Mooncotch has purchased the Public Works building for \$350,000. Mr. O'Connell suggests that we retain an easement granted to the Village and its agents along the side of the building to access the water tower (lot #2) and allow Mr. Mooncotch access to lots #1 and #3. That would make the entire parcel one piece. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mr. Cuttill. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Rogers has presented the agreement with the Dostals to demolish the building on

East Avenue.

Mr. Millsap asked the Chief to implement a reverse 9-1-1 to inform the residents of Weeping Willow Ranch as to the road closings and repairs.

Report from Chief of Police, Phillip Kringlie

- Officer Natasha Miller has returned to duty after her maternity leave.
- Officer Bennett was involved in an off-duty traffic accident and has a cracked hip. Will be off for a few weeks.
- Officer Killaman, who was reactivated into the U. S. Army, his orders have been delayed until early September.
- The new Tahoe squad is being prepared by the Chevrolet dealer. The other two should be in the next two to four weeks.
- The new gas pump construction should start next Monday.
- The generator from the old Village Hall is running. There are some issues with the wiring and is being remedied.
- Chief Kringlie introduced the newest Police Officer who started June 30, 2008. The Police Officer's name is Philip Kringlie.

Report from Public Works Foreman, Dennis Folkerts

No. Report

Report From Building Inspector, Robert Evans

Mr. Evans reports on the scheduled July 28th demolition of a garage at 6010 Conrad Avenue. Mr. Rogers points out the reimbursement to the owners for legal fees are \$2,000. We are also working on an easement agreement with the property owners immediately to the north of the subject property. The fence needs to be temporarily removed to access the property to demolish the garage.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Larry Rice, Chairman

No Report.

Streets and Alley Committee, Paul Struve Chairman

No Report.

Building Committee, Paul Struve, Chairman

No Report.

Water Committee, Thomas Christopher, Chairman

No Report. There will be a meeting in the next couple of weeks.

Police Committee, Ernest Millsap, Chairman

No Report.

9-1-1 Committee, Ernest Millsap, Chairman

No Report.

Zoning Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

No Report.

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

No Report.

Public Relations Committee, Donald Cuttill, Chairman

The aging well team for Hodgkins/McCook will hold a seminar on financial explanations for the elderly Wednesday, July 23, 2008, at 1:00 p.m. at the Village of McCook. The guest speaker will be Frank Wolf.

Health Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

No Report.

Old Business

Mr. Millsap asks for the authorization to purchase a new siren for ~\$12,000 for the siren and ~\$5,000 for the installation, plus a maintenance agreement for a total of ~\$18,000 to replace the siren on the former fire house Station #3 on Santa Fe Drive. The siren manufacturer would prefer that we mount the new siren on a free standing 55 foot pole instead of the roof. We will have Mr. Eric Rice to oversee the installation and electrical hook-up. Mr. Christopher states that there will be some testing done after the installation and another siren will be install if necessary. Motion to purchase the new siren by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Evans points out that the code book only allows for a forty-five foot height and we will need a variance.

Mr. Rogers suggests that we amend our current ordinance to allow the fifty-five foot height. Motion to amend the code by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mr. Christopher. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

New Business

Comments from the Audience

Ms Marilyn Sauter asked how long before the siren would be functional. Mr. Mills indicated that it would take about six weeks.

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

Adjourned: 8:00 P.M.

Claude Sexton, Clerk

Date Passed:

Voting Aye:

Voting Nay:

Absent:

Abstain: