

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS

MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 9, 2009

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

Pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on February 9, 2009 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve by Mr. Cuttill. 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 file for audit the Finance Statement for January 2009. Motion to file for audit 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 payment of bills for the month of February 2009. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked that the discussion of the Lamar Billboard lease be deferred to the Finance Committee and to authorize the Finance Committee to approve or deny the lease. Motion to approve by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Struve. 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 bid for installation of generator at Public Works by Rags Electric for \$21,350. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Cuttill. 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 First Student lease renewal. Again Mr. Cummings asked for this item to be further discussed in a Finance Committee and to authorize the Finance Committee to approve or deny the lease agreement. Motion to approve by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Cuttill. 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 purchase of new squad cars. Mr. Millsap asked if this item could be discussed in a closed session.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny payment to JP Bruno for \$208,348.25 for work performed at the new Village Hall. Mr. Struve asked if this was part of the work they did ahead of time because he does not know what they have done for this amount of money. Mr. O'Connell states he believes it is the cost of the architects and Rebacz Trucking for hauling. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. 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 Payment to S. Rebacz Trucking for \$19,000 for excavating and hauling **contaminated soil** located at the new Village Hall site. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. 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

We are working with a potential commercial site next to the Continental Toyota property on the IAC site. A meeting has been set up for next Monday for all the parties involved to further discuss the possibilities.

Mr. Cummings and Mr. O'Connell have had discussion with Metro Traffic. They are well underway with looking at the "Santa Fe Bypass" which will connect Santa Fe Drive with 75th Street to avoid the delays at the grade crossing.

Mr. O'Connell introduces Mr. Tim Callahan as the new attorney recommended by and Mr. Pat Rogers (now Judge Rogers) as his replacement. Tim has been handling all the Civil Service.

Report from Chief of Police, Phillip Kringlie

- February 12-13, 2009 Village employees Eric Rice, Dennis Folkerts, Jack Scott, Al Mills, Ken Tucker, Melody Salerno, Sgt. Joe Moxley, Lt. Azzarello and I attended and completed the certification of the Incident Command System 300 Level. We will be getting certified in the ICS 400 Level this week. This is a requirement from Homeland Security.

- On February 23rd, 2009 Rodney Cummings started as the new police clerk. He will be working days for a few weeks before moving to the afternoon shift.
- On February 23rd, 2009 the Department auctioned off 4 seized vehicles. One vehicle was bid on. The remaining three vehicles were then wholesaled out. Total raised was \$1,305.00. The funds were placed into the Department seized property fund and are used for the purchase of various police equipment.
- On February 26th, 2009 the Police Department participated in the Annual DARE COPS vs. Kids Basketball game at Gurrie Middle School. Event is coordinated by Countryside Police DARE Officer Millsap and this year, raised funds for the Cook County Police Officer Memorial.
- On March 1st, 2009 Lt. Mark Wilkans officially retired.
- On March 2-4, 2009 Lt. Azzarello and I attended the State Conference for ILEAS in Springfield.
- On March 6th, 2009 Officer Ryan Carrasquillo successfully completed his probationary police officer requirements. Officer Matt Hosteny is due to complete his probationary time on March 16th, 2009.
- We are currently working with the Civil Service Commission as they complete the new promotional eligibility lists for the rank of Lieutenant and Sergeant. The new lists should be completed by next month's board meeting.

Report from Superintendent of Public Works, Eric Rice

- Spoke to Rick from Rags Electric about School zone flashing light, Rags will be sub-contractor.
- Toyota making progress, projected opening date is June 1, 2009.
- Central Blacktop plant opens March 28, for paving materials.
- Burma Road will get started soon, after March 28th plant opening.
- Bids for truck safety markers have gone out. We are waiting for more bids.
- We are going to hold off on ordering a new truck for financial purposes.

Report From Building Inspector, Robert Evans

No Report.

Motion to go into Closed Session.

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

Motion to resume Open Session.

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

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Vicky Moxley, 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.

Police Committee, Ernest Millsap, Chairman

Mr. Millsap requests action on the purchase of new squad cars discussed in Closed Session.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny the purchase of two new squad cars for \$42,500. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

9-1-1 Committee, Ernest Millsap, Chairman

No Report.

Zoning Committee, Larry Rice, Chairman

No Report.

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

No Report.

Public Relations Committee, Donald Cuttill, Chairman

There have been additional noise complaints by Weeping Willow Ranch residents. Mr. Cuttill has asked the Chief of Police to look into the matter. This is not the same type of noise experienced a year and a half ago.

Chief Kringlie believes that the noise is a train engine at idle. He has had the patrol officers to look into the noise.

Mr. Struve states that there is an engine that is not running very well lately.

Health Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

No Report.

Old Business

Mr. Christopher asks that action be taken on the safety lights for the ESDA Tahoe. The lights cost approximately \$3,000. 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.

New Business

Mr. Millsap requests that consideration be given to re-naming "Burma Road" in commemoration of the dedicated service Donald Cuttill has given to the Village of Hodgkins for the past 27 years. All Board Members are in agreement.

Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher, Mr. Cummings. Voting Nay: None.

Comments from the Audience

Mrs. Pavich expresses appreciation to the DPW for plowing the snow in her driveway this past winter.

Weeping Willow resident expresses pleasure with the response she receives from Village employees concerning the rapid attention to requests she has made in the recent past.

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

Adjourned: 7:40 P.M.

Claude Sexton, Clerk

Date Passed:

Voting Aye:

Voting Nay:

Absent:

Abstain: