

**VILLAGE OF HODGKINS**  
**MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD**  
**March 14, 2022**

**Meeting called to Order 7:00 p.m.**

**Those Present:**

**President Pro-Temp: Vicky Moxley**

**Trustees: Tim Kovel**

**Larry Rice**

**Dominic Misasi**

**Lida Mills**

**Attorney's: John O'Connell**

**Pat Rogers**

**Those Absent:**

**President: Noel Cummings**

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion to appoint Mrs. Moxley President Pro-Temp for the meeting. Motion to appoint Mrs. Moxley President Pro-Temp made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.

**Comments from the Audience:**

None

Motion to approve Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on February 14, 2022 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve minutes of the February 14, 2022 Board meeting was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to File for Audit the Finance Statement for January 2022. Motion to file for Audit Finance Statement of January 2022 was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve Bills as submitted for the Month of February 2022. Motion to approve the February 2022 bills was made by Mr. Kovel. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Presentation by Miguel Villegas for a Business License for the Martin-Brower Company Locating at 6800 Santa Fe Drive, Suite D. This is a Food Distribution Company which supplies products for McDonald's and Chick-Fil-A locations. This will be a temporary location, and they plan to be here about 9 months and will store all dry products. There will be 10 employees with 6-8 at a time. 6-8 inbound loads and 3-4 outbound per day. Mr. Tholotowsky reported they have passed all fire and Cook County Health Inspections.

Motion to approve/deny Business License for Martin-Brower Company. Motion to approve Business License for the Martin-Brower Company was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Presentation by Laura Piolatto for a Business License for Bath and Body Works Locating at 9430 Joliet Road Suite 750A. The store is under construction. Anticipated opening is April 15, 2022. There will be approximately 30-50 employees depending on the time of the year. Mr. Struve explained once construction is completed all inspections will take place.

Motion to approve/deny business license for Bath and Body Works Locating at 9430 Joliet Road Suite 750A. Motion to approve business license Bath and Body Works was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Kovel. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Intergovernmental Agreement between the Hodgkins Park District, The Village of Hodgkins and the Hodgkins Library. Motion to approve the Intergovernmental agreement was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Appointing Elias Lopez to the Civil Service Commission. Motion to approve appointment of Elias Lopez to the Civil Service Commission was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Recommendation for replacement for the Late Trustee Paul Struve. Recommendation letter from Mayor Cummings was read by Mr. O'Connell.

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

Mr. Brandstedt reported The Roof project at First Student is underway. They are on track to finish the second week in April, weather permitting.

-3 applications were submitted to the Cook County Council of Mayor's for funding for road repairs in 2026. This would be for 67<sup>th</sup> St, East Avenue and River Road.

-CDBG application will be submitted this week for hydrant maintenance replacement and painting.

-IDOT project at East Ave and Joliet Rd. is underway. This will be a long project.

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

No Report

**Report from Village Attorney, Pat Rogers:**

Mr. Rogers reported the Village closed on the Esparza property last week. Mr. Brandstedt will start working on the applications for demolition.

-The Zoning Code project is just about wrapped up. It should be ready for the April Board Meeting.

**Report from Building Inspector, Matt Struve:**

Mr. Struve reported Mr. Jack Azzarello resigned at the Code Enforcement Officer on February 25, 2022. Mr. Struve thanked him for all his contributions to the department. He will be missed by all.

-2 homes have been demolished. 6600 Wenz Ave. and 6613 Chester Avenue.

-6800 River Road construction has begun.

-6510 Kimball new home progressing.

-6510 Chester new home is being constructed.

-6504 Kimball Avenue had an old tank removed. Everything went well. No plans have been submitted for the remodel.

-Ross Dress for Less, Bath and Body Works and Journey will be coming to the Mall.

-I-Works is being implemented. Training is complete.

**Report from Code/Life Safety Officer, Dan Tholotowsky:**

Mr. Tholotowsky reported he has assisted with pre-sale and occupancy inspections.

-Title 10 Zoning revisions are almost complete.

- Valley Oaks is removing 3 outdated Manufactured Homes and hope to replace them in the future.

-7195 Santa Fe Drive Partners Dimensional Warehouse is closing the facility 3/15/2022.

- March 15, 2022 is the Food Pantry at the Fire Department from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

- 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Video was wonderful.

**Report from Chief of Police, Ernest Millsap:**

Presentation from Deputy Chief Klotz on Calls for Service for the 2021 year.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley**

No Report

### **Public Works Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi.**

Mr. Misasi reported street clean up, snow removal and regular pickups are being done.

-There will be a wheel chair lift installed in Weeping Willow Ranch this week.

-Public Works employees have been issued 2-way radios for faster communication.

### **Building Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel**

Mr. Kovel reported Road Construction will begin at East Avenue and Joliet Road and North Bound LaGrange Road. Traffic will be very heavy. This project is anticipated to be a year or more. It is anticipated to start in the upcoming weeks.

### **Water Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi**

Mr. Misasi reported there were 3 water main leaks in the last few weeks. 2 on Lyons and Wenz and 1 on an apron on East Avenue. All have been repaired. The road will be fixed once the Asphalt company opens.

-April 8, 2022 is the application deadline for Water Department Apprentice position. There will be a committee doing interviews.

### **Police Committee, Chairman, Larry Rice**

Mr. Rice welcomed Mr. Lopez on the Civil Service Commission.

-There will need to be Police Officer testing soon.

-Working on getting cameras installed.

### **Zoning Committee**

No Report

### **E.S.D.A Committee**

No Report

### **Public Relations Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills**

Mrs. Mills reported Aging Well Meeting was on February 16, 2022 at 10:00a.m. The Police Department did a presentation and provided refreshments.

-Next meeting is on March 16, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

-Spring Break last week in March. Watch for Children

-Food Pantry March 15, 2022 from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

**Health, Safety & Human Resources Chairman, Vicky Moxley**

Mrs. Moxley reported there will be a wheelchair lift placed in Weeping Willow Ranch for a resident and thanked Mr. Misasi for working quickly on this project.

-Stay safe when going out.

**Motion to go into Closed Session to Discuss:**

- A.) Discuss Personnel
- B.) Discuss Upcoming Village Projects

7:36 p.m. - Motion to go into closed session and allow Mr. Thomas Brandstedt, Village Engineer and Mrs. Melody Salerno, Comptroller to be present for the closed session was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to resume open session at 8:14 p.m. was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Signed: Stephanie Gardner  
Stephanie Gardner, Village Clerk

*Date Approved: 4-11-22*

*Ayes: 5*

*Nays: 0*

*Absent: 1*

*Abstain: 0*