

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 12, 2011

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
Timothy Callahan**

Pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on July 11, 2011 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 June 2011. Motion to approve by Mrs. Moxley. 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 file for audit the Finance Statement for July 2011. Motion to approve by Mrs. Moxley. 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 the payment of bills for the month of July. 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. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the payment of bills for the month of August. 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 payment #2 and semi-final payment to MQ Sewer & Water Contractors for \$15,168.40 for work performed on 67th Street storm sewer extension at BNSF Railroad. 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 for a motion to approve/deny payment #2 and final to Lyons Electric for work performed on the 2010 Street Light rehabilitation on Cobb Street, Kane Avenue and Kimball Avenue for \$29,968.25. 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. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny awarding City Lights, Inc. for the 2011 Street Light Rehabilitation Project for CDBG in the amount of \$124,008.60. Motion to approve by Mr. Rice. 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 payment #3 and final to MQ Sewer and Water Contractors for work performed on 67th Street Storm Sewer extension at BNSF Railroad in the amount of \$22,071.43. this was the storm sewer to go under the railroad. 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 #1 and final to Central Blacktop for work performed on the Public Works parking lot in the amount of \$89,147.64. Mr. Struve comments on the fine job that was done on the parking lot. 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 **Ordinance #11-10** Approving and Adopting the Second Amendment to the Village of Hodgkins Tax Increment Development Plan and Project No. 1. Mr. O'Connell asks Ms Mary Thompson with Kane-McKenna to approach the dais to answer any questions the Trustees may have with regard to the adoption of the ordinances. Mr. O'Connell further states one of the issues we need to do is to remove from TIF #1, which is scheduled to expire in 2013, three parcels that are currently in TIF #1 right now. These three parcels need to be incorporated into TIF #3. Therefore, **Ordinance #11-10** takes out the property that includes Salerno-Pincente Restaurant, the property next to that as well as the theater property. We will incorporate these properties into TIF #3 and take them out of TIF #1. The property next to Salerno's is undeveloped property that can be used in TIF #3 to generate revenue. 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 **Ordinance No. 11-11** Designating the Second Amendment to the Village of Hodgkins Tax Increment Redevelopment Plan and Project No. 1. Motion to approve by Mr. Rice. 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 **Ordinance No. 11-12** Confirming Tax Increment Redevelopment Plan and Project No. 1. 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/deny **Ordinance No. 11-13** Approving the Redevelopment Plan and Project for the East Avenue Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Plan. 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/deny **Ordinance No. 11-14** Designating the East Avenue Redevelopment Project Area. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. 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 **Ordinance No. 11-15** Adopting Tax Increment Allocation Financing for the East Avenue Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area. Motion to approve by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Millsap, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. O'Connell summarizes by saying that what we have done here is switched some properties that are in TIF #1 to TIF #3. The significance of TIF #3 is East Avenue. This is the last area of the Village that we are looking at for redevelopment. Some areas we looked at will remain the way they are. We have high hopes that some redevelopment will occur on East Avenue. This move is very similar to what we did in 1985.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny **Ordinance No. 11-16** Providing for Lateral Transfer Police Officer Hiring. Mr. Millsap states that this has been discussed at great length at the August 17, 2011 Police Committee meeting. This would be a one-time list that expires in a very short time. Our counsel was asked to check on the legal status of this action and Mr. Callahan has an ordinance drafted for approval tonight. Mr. Callahan states the current Civil Service list has been exhausted. We are in the process of testing for new police officers. The testing is anticipated to be completed sometime in December or January. This action will allow the Civil Service Commission to create a list for Certified Police Officers that are in good standing. Also they will have the authority to, not only maintain this list, but also to create testing requirements for the list itself. This ordinance has a "sunset date" of December 12, 2011. This means the ordinance goes away unless the Board takes further action to continue it or change its current form. This will allow us to hire qualified candidates, a person that is certified as a police officer in the State of Illinois in the interim. Mr. Struve states that we have an immediate need for certified police officers to fill the vacancies of retired police officers. Mr. Cummings also states that if we wait for the normal procedure to take place it will be sometime in the middle of next year before we have a new police officer hired. Motion to approve by Mr. Millsap. 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 **Resolution No. 2011-06** Amending the Deferred Compensation Plan for the Village of Hodgkins. Mrs. Moxley provides some background for the ordinance. Our Village employees have the ability to contribute to a Tax-Deferred Retirement Plan and they would like the ability to take loans from their account contributions. The law requires us to have a Resolution allowing them to do that. There is no obligation on the Village's part; they are borrowing their

own money. Mr. Callahan states they can borrow 50% or \$50,000 whichever is less. There is interest. There is some interest and the employee will probably lose some money in the long run. 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.

Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cainkar

No Report. Mr. Cummings asked about the cable lines that are hanging so low along River Road. Mr. Cainkar will check into getting them raised up for clearance.

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell

Mr. O'Connell states that at the last Board meeting we approve the acquisition of relocation cost of 6035 East Avenue, Mrs. Pavich's property that is schedule to close on September 20th. Mr. O'Connell states that his research reveals that the relocation expenses that we are going to pay to Mrs. Pavich would be taxable to Mrs. Pavich. We may want to incorporate this amount into the purchase price of the home which would then eliminate incidents to Mrs. Pavich. Mr. O'Connell asks the Board if they would agree with that then he could work with Mrs. Pavich's attorney and the purchaser of the property to incorporate the approved relocation expenses into the purchase price of the home. Mr. Cummings states that it will not cost the Village anything. 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.

Report from Chief of Police, Phillip Kringlie

No Report.

Report from Superintendent of Public Works, Eric Rice

No Report.

Report From Building Inspector, Robert Evans

Mr. Evans states that he has provided the Board members with demolition bids for 6035, 6125 and 6129 East Avenue. There were three bidders and the low bid was \$33,200. Mr. Cummings says he would like to put this into a Building Committee because this is not something we need to do right away for further discussion.

There are also three bids for the tree removal at 6035 East Avenue. Mr. Cummings states that we are not going to have anything done until Mrs. Pavich has moved.

Mr. Evans states that he has had asbestos testing done and asbestos was found. It will take about a day to remove all the asbestos from the house. The approximate cost is \$4 per square foot. Mr. Evans said he is getting three bids for the job. The cost for asbestos removal is ~\$6,000 including the EPA permit. The last of October or the first of November before we can raze the house.

Mrs. Pavich will determine when the work commences.

Mr. Cummings would like to put this demolition issue for the three properties into a Building Committee for further discussion.

The lots that the Village owns will also be discussed at the Building Committee.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

No meetings. However, Board members will be receiving the Police Pension Actuarial Report that has arrived. After the preparers of the report advise us when we can meet, there will be a Finance Committee meeting.

Streets and Alley Committee, Paul Struve, Chairman

Kudos to Village employees for the wonderful job done at the Village Picnic.

Building Committee, Paul Struve, Chairman

Report on the meeting of August 17, 2011.

Mr. O'Connell states that in light of the recent fires in the mobile home parks Mr. O'Connell has worked with Mr. Evans drafting a mobile home ordinance. Mr. O'Connell asks that this ordinance go to the Building Committee for discussion. This is a life-safety issue and needs to have action.

Mr. Millsap requests that this be discussed and action taken at a Special Board Meeting.

Water Committee, Thomas Christopher, Chairman

No Report.

Police Committee, Ernest Millsap, Chairman

Mr. Millsap reports on the meeting held August 17, 2011.

9-1-1 Committee, Ernest Millsap, Chairman

No Report.

Zoning Committee, Larry Rice, Chairman

No Report.

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

Mr. Christopher commends the members of E.S.D.A. for their fine job at this past weekend's Village Picnic.

Public Relations Committee, Donald Cuttill, Chairman

Mr. Cuttill states the annual Aging Well Picnic was held August 27, 2011, at the Hodgkins Park District. Good turnout and great food. There was fun during the bingo games. Mr. Callahan spoke on August 21st concerning Medicare Fraud.

Health Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

Mrs. Moxley says that it will soon be flu season again, so get your flu shots. There are a number of places that provide the flu shots. Also, the Heartland Blood Services will be back again October 27th from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. This is our third blood drive with them. The Secretary of State of Illinois Office will be here on the same date to renew driver's licenses and state ID cards.

Old Business.

New Business

Comments from the Audience

Ms Marilyn Sauter asked what the white trucks were doing on East Avenue. It was explained that these were trucks for sale by D&S Truck.

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

Adjourned: 7:44 P.M.



Claude Sexton, Clerk

Date Passed: 10-10-11

Voting Aye: 5

Voting Nay: 0

Absent: 1

Abstain: 0