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Participation for the Board Meeting was posted: 605-313-5086 Access Code: 289270#*

**VILLAGE OF HODGKINS
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD
VIA PHONE CONFERENCE
July 13, 2020**

Meeting called to Order 7:00 p.m.

Those Present:

**President: Noel Cummings
Trustees: Tim Kovel
Vicky Moxley
Larry Rice
Paul Struve
Dominic Misasi
Lida Mills
Attorney: John O'Connell**

Motion to approve Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on June 8, 2020 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve minutes of the June 8, 2020 Board meeting was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to File for Audit the Finance Statement for May 2020. Motion to file for Audit Finance Statement of May 2020 was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve Bills as submitted for the Month of June 2020. Motion to approve the June 2020 bills was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Invoice from John O'Connell for work performed on Pension Stipend Settlement. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Kovel. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None. Abstaining from Vote: Mrs. Moxley

Motion to approve/deny Low Bid for Demolition of 6294-6296 East Avenue to Signature Demolition Services in the amount of \$19,500. Motion to approve Low bid to Signature

Demolition Services was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Garbage/Real Estate Rebate in the amount of \$225.00. Motion to approve the Garbage/Real Estate Rebate for November disbursement, was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Kovel. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Renters Rebate in the amount of \$145.00. Motion to approve the Renter's Rebate for November disbursement was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Real Estate Rebate for homeowners. The rebate amount will be the Village portion, plus 10%, to be paid upon proof of tax payment from resident. Motion to approve Real Estate Rebate for homeowners was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny proposal for AT&T Reduction in Rent and Lease Extension for Quarry Water Tower. The new lease would run 2021-2048, starting at \$15,300/year and increase by 2% every 4 years. Motion to approve AT&T reduction in rent and lease extension for Quarry Water Tower was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Kovel. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Resolution #2020-05 "Ten Share Principles" endorsed by the Illinois Police Chiefs Association and the NAACP, addressing concerns of the public proactivity regarding law enforcement in the community. Chief Millsap explained the Resolution. A motion to approve Resolution #2020-05 was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Matt Struve Elevated to Department Head Salary. Motion to table this topic until the in-person August meeting and topic can be discussed in Closed session was made by Mr. Kovel. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny ordering additional handicapped lifts. Motion to approve ordering two additional handicapped lifts- Model#5200 at the cost of \$4595.00 was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Struve. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny re-opening of Village Hall Lobby. Anyone entering the lobby must wear a mask. Signs will be placed on the door. Motion to approve opening of the Village Hall lobby starting August 3, 2020 at normal operating hours of 8:00a.m.-5:00p.m. was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Amendment to T-Mobile Lease on Quarry Water Tower. Mr. O'Connell explained the lease was approved at the June Board Meeting. The lease was amended to add that T-Mobile will have to pay \$1,000 to allow an additional 5 years with an incremental increase to the lease. Motion to approve the amendment to the T-Mobile Lease on Quarry Water tower was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny the following items related to the 75th St. project:

- A. Authorization to install two 150' tall flag poles to accommodate 40'x80' American Flags.
- B. Authorization to pursue Class 7B property tax incentive.
- C. Grant of a perpetual easement to be approved over the 33' right of way on 75th street just south of the property line.

Item A. will need to go in front of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a hearing regarding the flag pole height.

Item B will need to be discussed further in a Building Committee meeting. Motion to give authorization for the Building Committee to approve/deny the authorization to pursue Class 7B property tax incentive. Motion to table Item B until a Building Committee Meeting with the authorization to approve/deny was made by Mr. Kovel. Second by Mr. Struve. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Item C will need to be discussed further in a Zoning Committee Meeting. Motion to give authorization for the Zoning Committee to approve/deny the grant of perpetual easement to be approved over the 33' right of way on 75th St. just south of the property line. Motion to table item C until a Zoning Committee Meeting with the authorization to approve/deny was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Discussion regarding Village portion of Park District Bus purchase in the amount of \$124,320.00. Motion to pay 50% of the of the total cost of the Park District Bus. Motion made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny amendment to the Village Sprinkler Ordinance. Mr. O'Connell would like to consider having people who purchase land from the Village, be required to install

sprinkler systems on new home builds. Motion to table until a Building Committee Meeting for further discussion with the authorization to approve/deny the amendment to the Village Sprinkler Ordinance was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cainkar:

Absent- No Report

Report from Building Inspector, Matt Struve:

Mr. Struve reported Dunkin Donuts has completed their renovations.

- There are new concrete slabs being poured in the all 3 Mobile Home Parks.
- There have been some pre-sale inspections completed.
- Waste Management still has debris issues and there have been anonymous complaints. The Police Department will keep an eye on these issues and report.
- Business license issues are being investigated.
- Signature Demolition will be contacted for demolition of the old Laundromat and Little Store.

Report from Code/Life Safety Officer, Dan Tholowosky:

Mr. Tholotowsky reported Hodgkins is Featured in the July copy of IML magazine for the home sprinkler initiative.

- Master Address files are still being worked on. Thanks to Mr. Azzarello for the help.
- There have been some dumpster trash issues, the businesses are cooperating.
- There was some broken fence behind Walmart. There was a homeless shelter by the retention pond. Mid America Property Management has been contacted for repair, there is a new Manager.
- The new Property Manager for the Shopping Center was thankful for help during the Demonstrations. Lone Star property was discussed and fence with her also. They will be replacing the stockade fence. They may look into an enclosure for the palate storage for Walmart and Sam's Club.
- Future Building Committee Meeting topics could be the response from Partners, and IAC sublease issues.
- Mr. Azzarello is busy with tall grass issues which are being addressed.
- Business licenses are being worked on.
- July 20, 2020 will be a Zoning Committee meeting. Mr. Piccolo will be in attendance for this meeting, and the sprinkler issue will be discussed.

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell:

No further report from Mr. O'Connell, comments in above motions.

Report from Chief of Police, Ernest Millsap:

Chief Millsap will need a Closed Police Committee Meeting regarding Police personnel.

-Deputy Chief Klotz is putting together a power point presentation regarding Body Cameras.

Attorney Pat Rodgers, Deputy Chief and Chief will be working on a Policy for the Body Cameras.

-People are parking on the Lenzi Avenue property that do not have permission. No parking signs will be added.

-Server room almost complete.

-Rebate of \$56,000 was received back from the Oak Lawn Dispatch. Chief Millsap would like to use half to purchase the body cameras.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley

Mrs. Moxley received an email from the Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus outlining each Village's portion of the Cares Act allocation. This should be able to be used to recoup COVID expenses, hopefully up to \$160,000. This will be looked into by Mrs. Salerno.

Public Works Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi.

Mr. Misasi reported crack sealing on East Avenue and 67th is complete, striping still needs to be completed.

-Weeping Willow road project has started.

Building Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported Tom Seisel came out and refreshed the property lines by the Laundromat and Little Store. Lines on the North and East Side need to be clarified.

-Pre-sale inspections are being completed and owners are being worked with.

Water Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported the residential water meter heads will start to be installed starting in August. The residential area will be done first. Residents will be notified via letter.

Police Committee, Chairman, Larry Rice

Mr. Rice reported signage needs to be placed on Lenzi Ave. regarding parking issues.

Zoning Committee, Chairman, Paul Struve

Mr. Struve reported there will be an upcoming Zoning Committee Meeting July 20, 2020 with BN&F at 10:30 a.m.

-Valley Oaks markings could not be found on the Northern portion. He would like all trustee to go look at where the fencing would be placed and if it would be feasible for the residents.

E.S.D.A Committee, Chairman, Paul Struve

No Report

Public Relations Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills

-Mrs. Mills reported there have not been aging well meetings. The upcoming meetings are still to be determined.

-Park District and Library have limited opening.

-Flowers are Lyons Street look beautiful

Health, Safety & Human Resources Chairman, Vicky Moxley

Mrs. Moxley reported the staff for the Village of Hodgkins has done an exemplary job on dealing with the COVID crisis.

Comments from the Audience:

Old Business:

New Business:

-Mr. Struve reported there are two new village employees and he would like to welcome them.

-Mr. Kovel questioned the lot being nearly empty at the New Advantage Chevrolet Truck Lot. Mr. O'Connell is not aware of any issues.

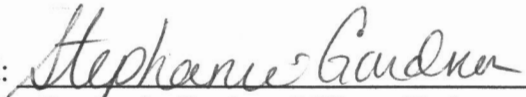
- Resident Andy Lynn will be provided with new batteries for his lift, which have gone bad.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice.

Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

Voting Nay: None

Signed:


Stephanie Gardner, Village Clerk

Date Approved: 8/10/2020

Ayes: 6

Absent: 0

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0