

Governor Pritzker has issued Executive Order No. 2020-07, which suspends the requirement of the Open Meetings Act that members of a public body be physically present at meetings of the public body, and the limitations of the Open Meetings Act as to when members of a Public body may participate in meetings of the public body remotely.

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
June 8, 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 May 11, 2020 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve minutes of the May 11, 2020 Board meeting was made by Mr. Misasi. 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 Minutes of the Special Board Meeting on May 14, 2020 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve minutes of the May 14, 2020 meeting 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 File for Audit the Finance Statement for April 2020. Motion to file for Audit Finance Statement of April 2020 was made by Mrs. Moxley. 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 Bills as submitted for the Month of May 2020. Motion to approve the May 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 Low Bid for CDBG Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Phase II to Insituform Technologies USA, LLC in the Amount of \$159,123.50. Mr. Misasi explained that Mr. Cainkar, Village Engineer recommended approving this bid. Motion to approve Low BID

for CDBG Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Phase II was made by Mr. Misasi. 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 Invoice from John O'Connell for work performed on Pension Stipend Settlement. Motion to table for later approval, due to needing further review by the trustees was made by Mr. Kovel. Second by Mr. Rice Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mr. Rice Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None. Abstaining from Vote: Mrs. Moxley

Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cainkar:

Absent- No Report

Report from Building Inspector, Matt Struve:

Mr. Struve reported Village projects are progressing.

-Three new mobile homes are being installed into Weeping Willow Ranch.

-Valley Oaks has slabs that are being poured.

-3 Businesses have applied for Business License Applications. Elements Food Solutions is moving in to the old Arrow Corporation building. Continental Paper is coming to 7250 Santa Fe Drive. These companies are being issues Temporary Business Licenses until they can be met in person

-Aldi has submitted plans for the Quarry Shopping Center.

-Dunkin Donuts is also doing work.

-6600 River Road is renovating, and a company Power Stop will be coming in.

-Residential properties are being developed. Mr. Rahil is building a house on Conrad. His brother Abdul is building on the lot on Chester Avenue. There is concern about the person building at 6510 Chester Avenue is not the person that will be living there, but a family member. This will be addressed. Mr. O'Connell was told and the purchaser of the lot is going to live there.

-The Debris fence has been removed near Waste Management. Mrs. Mills is concerned about this. The fence needed to be removed for grass cutting. If there are garbage issues this will have to be addressed.

Report from Code/Life Safety Officer, Dan Tholowsky:

Mr. Tholowsky reported he assisted with taking down the Memorial Day display.

-They have been working on grass issues throughout the Village. There have been some issues with AMC Theatre, Public Works has cut the grass and the corporation will be billed.

-6880 River Rd Unit 5 had work done without a permit. CP Install is supposed to provide the Village with the appropriate paperwork.

-The Master address file program is ongoing, and the entire Village will be done.

-There was COVID- antibody testing.

-Zoning review meetings will start to be rescheduled with Mr. Piccolo.

-Mr. Tholotowsky will be working Monday, Tuesday next week, and Thursday, Friday the Following week, everyone was fine with this.

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell:

Mr. O'Connell will follow up on the land swap with Valley Oaks. The cost is prohibitive, so we will no longer be interested in the Property Swap. An email was received from Mr. Guy Kornblum, of Valley Oaks was read. Mr. Struve would like a Building Committee Meeting called to discuss this topic.

Report from Chief of Police, Ernest Millsap:

Deputy Chief Klotz was present for the report. He reported there was Civil Unrest over the last week due to Protest, and looting due to the death of George Floyd, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Mall was blocked off to be proactive in avoiding any criminals from coming into the mall and causing damage. Increase in Police Presence helped to avoid an issues at our mall. The businesses in the mall and Shoot Point Blank complied and worked with the Police Department and extra officers were placed on duty during this time. Deputy Chief was proud and grateful for the work of the Men and Women of the Hodgkins Police Department and E.S.D.A. Mr. O'Connell thanked the Police Department and E.S.D.A for a wonderful job in keeping the mall safe. All trustees were very happy with the work of the Police Department and deserve commendation. Mr. Rodney Cummings did a piece for the Communicator regarding the protests and COVID-19 and how the Village has dealt with these issues. This issue will come out next week. The mall is no longer under restrictions, but they are still being monitored.

-Deputy Chief Klotz explained there is a difference between peaceful protests and Criminal activities and criminals doing property damage.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley

No Report

Public Works Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi.

Mr. Misasi reported the Public Works is back to working every day.

-June 5th, 2020 was the start of interviews for the new Public works employee. After Interviews are complete the Mayor will be presented with the most qualified candidates, so he can make a decision on who will be hired. One person will be hired at this time

Building Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported there are some high grass issues which are being addressed.

-The Old Arrow corporation will be putting in a new business. They will need to come before the board for approval.

Water Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported water meter head replacement will begin soon. The equipment will be ordered and the installments then will occur.

-A new water department service truck has been delivered.

Police Committee, Chairman, Larry Rice

No Report

Zoning Committee, Chairman, Paul Struve

Mr. Struve reported everything is on hold for the Zoning Committee until after the pandemic and in-person meetings can be done again.

-AMC theatres are reported to go bankrupt. We will need to monitor this regarding our theatre.

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

Mr. Struve thanked E.S.D.A for their participation in the graduation parades and the help at the mall during this time.

Public Relations Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills

-Mrs. Mills reported there have not been any Aging Well Meetings, due to COVID-19

-The Memorial Day crosses were beautiful and Public Works did a great job.

-No splash pad and no camp will be held at the Park District this summer.

-The library will be doing curb side pickup.

Health, Safety & Human Resources Chairman, Vicky Moxley

Mrs. Moxley reported there is an issue with a Resident at Weeping Willow who has recently lost their elderly mother. Resources were provided for this person to get help.

-Thanked Mayor for supplying the COVID-19 anti-body testing for employees.

-Thanked the Police Department and E.S.D.A for their hard work during this time.

Comments from the Audience:

Gary Goodwin, Resident of Willow Springs-was on the call. Mr. Goodwin is looking for an Application for temporary business license for selling medical grade hand sanitizer and masks to the Public. Mr. Goodwin would like to sell in the out lot of Republic Bank. He said Republic Bank has given their approval. Trustees maintained their prior consensus to not provide Mr. Goodwin with a temporary business license. This was a 3-Ayes 4-Nayes.

Old Business:

New Business:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 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
Stephanie Gardner, Village Clerk

Date Approved: 7/13/2020

Ayes: 6

Absent: 0

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0