

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS

MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 11, 2013

Meeting called to order: 7:00 P.M.

Those present:

President: Noel Cummings

Trustee: Donald Cuttill
Vicky Moxley
Larry Rice
Paul Struve
Hugh Rhodes
Thomas Christopher

Attorney: Timothy Callahan

Those Absent:

Attorney: John T. O'Connell

Pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on February 11, 2013, as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Cuttill. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to file for audit the finance statement for January 2013. Motion to approve by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the payment of bills for the month of February 2013. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Rhodes. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Hodgkins and the Hodgkins Park District in the amount of \$42,000. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny **Resolution #2013-03** correcting a Schrvener's error contained in the resolution approving the submittal of the Village of

Hodgkins 2013 CDBG application. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Christopher. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny award to H&H Electric Company in the amount of \$122,196.70 for Wenz Avenue street light rehabilitation. Motion to approve by Mr. Cuttill. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny the addition of Hodgkins Public Library to the Village American Express umbrella account with a limit of \$25,000. Motion to approve by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cainkar

No Report.

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell

Attorney Callahan informed the Board of 2 Public hearings regarding the plan to aggregate electrical loads for residential and small commercial customers within the corporate limits of the Village as an opt out program. These public hearings will be held on March 27th at 6:00 p.m. and on April 8, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

Report from Chief of Police, Ernest Millsap

- Recommend to the Board to vote on a new Opticom agreement with Countryside and Pleasantview Fire Department for the intersection of Joliet Road and East Avenue. The Village's share will be \$2,300.
- Officers will be attending rapid deployment at LTHS. Hodgkins School security measures are being enforced by our Officers and will continue.
- A.A. Thompson and the Chief are working on a better phone service for the Police facility. A 911 Committee meeting is to follow
- D.C. Azzarello and the Chief met the new Chief of Willow Springs, Richard Kerney
- On February 28, 2013 members of the FOP and several residents and friends helped with the annual "Pack for the Troops" night. Seventy Eight boxes were sent out to the troops.

Report from Superintendent of Public Works, Eric Rice

- Meeting set up on Thursday with IDOT to discuss resurfacing work to be done on East Avenue. This project is scheduled to begin on April 8th and finish with 51 days.
- The generator for the Village Hall does not have any warranty. Cummins NPower gave a 30% discount rate to lease a portable generator until the one we have is repaired or replaced.

Report From Building Inspector, Robert Evans

No Report.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

No Report.

Streets and Alley Committee, Paul Struve, Chairman

Mr. Struve noted there was a committee meeting on February 18th and had a discussion regarding BNSF whistle blowing.

Building Committee, Paul Struve, Chairman

Mr. Struve noted there was a committee meeting on February 18th discussing the property on River Road owned by ComEd and Silbrico is interested in purchasing.

Water Committee, Thomas Christopher, Chairman

No Report.

Police Committee, Hugh Rhodes, Chairman

Mr. Rhodes stated there will be a committee meeting that will be scheduled in the near future regarding telephone service at Police Department. He also noted that Elaine Thompson will be having surgery on Wednesday and will be on a medical leave.

9-1-1 Committee, Hugh Rhodes , 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

Mr. Cuttill noted Pleasantview Fire Department Chief Doyle attended an Aging Well meeting and discussed the positive use of the Freedom Alert devices. The Village purchased 200 of these devices and distribution will be discussed as to how to distribute them to residents.

Health, Safety and Human Resources Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

Mrs. Moxley expanded on the Freedom Alert System.

Old Business

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny the agreement with Countryside and Pleasantview Fire Department for Opticom System to be installed at the intersection of Joliet Road and East Avenue with the Village of Hodgkins portion in the amount of \$2,300. Motion to approve by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Cuttill. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

New Business

Comments from the Audience


Mr. Randy Caldwell requested the reasoning of the underfunding for the Police Pension Fund. He noted that the Village of Hodgkins was one of the worst communities regarding the funding for the Police Pension.

Mr. Struve noted that actually the Village of Hodgkins is one of the best funded communities in the State of Illinois. Some of the issue is the pension fund had invested their monies and lost revenue, therefore reducing monies in the fund.

Mr. Rhodes stated this money is not handled by the Village and is only handled by the pension fund and their financial company. If Mr. Caldwell would like more information regarding the pension fund Mr. Rhodes will give him the information as to when the next meeting is and he is more than welcome to bring his concerns to them.

Mr. Cummings requested a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Christopher. Voting Nay: None.

Adjourned: 7:36 P.M.



Claude Sexton, Clerk by
Sharon Wells, Deputy Clerk

Date Passed:

Voting Aye:

Voting Nay:

Absent:

Abstain: