

**VILLAGE OF HODGKINS**  
**MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD**  
**May 9, 2022**

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

**Those Present:**

**President Pro-Temp: Vicky Moxley**

**Trustees: Tim Kovel**

**Larry Rice**

**Jorea Touranjeau**

**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. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None.

**Comments from the Audience:**

Mr. Charles Thomas, Resident of Weeping Willow Ranch, thanked the Attorney's and Zoning Board Commissioner for delivering the letter to the Manager who runs the Mobile Home park. He would also like to know how the Ordinances are going to be enforced. Questions answered. Mr. O'Connell reassured the resident that the Ordinances will be enforced. Ms. Souter conferred that the Manager is only there during rent collection time.

Motion to approve Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on April 11, 2022 as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve minutes of the April 11, 2022 Board meeting was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

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

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

Presentation by Jerisha Brown, for a 2022 Business License for Ross Dress for Less, locating at 9290 Joliet Rad. The store will be opening in Mid-July. They are looking to hire about 55 employees. Hours will be approximately 9:00a.m.-9:00p.m, and may vary slightly.

Motion to approve/deny Business License for Ross Dress for Less, Locating at 9290 Joliet Road. Motion to approve Business License for Ross Dress for Less was made by Mr. Kovel. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Presentation by Jeff Parenti, Owner of Xtreme Pyro, Inc. for a Temporary Business License locating in the Menards Parking Lot. This is a Fireworks Company. Attorney Rogers talked with Mr. Parenti privately.

Motion to approve/deny a temporary Business License to Xtreme Pyro, Inc. Locating in the Menards Parking Lot. Mr. Parneti withdrew his application after speaking with Attorney Rogers.

Motion to approve/deny Amending 2022 Budget transferring entry level position from Public Works to Water Department. Motion to Amend the 2022 Budget to transfer entry level position from Public Works to Water Department was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Ms. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Resolution #2022-04 approving the purchase of properties at 6009 East Avenue. June 15, 2022 is the Closing Date. Motion to approve Resolution #2022-04 made by Ms. Touranjeau. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Resolution #2022-05 Approving the Purchase of Property at 6032 Lenzi Avenue. Motion to approve Resolution #2022-05 was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Authorizing the Civil Service Board to begin the process of accepting applications and start the testing process to establish a new Police Officer Eligibility List. Motion to approve authorizing the Civil Service Board to begin the process of accepting applications and start the testing process to establish a new Police Officer Eligibility List was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny a settlement regarding Arro Corporation bankruptcy. The water bill settlement that will be refunded is \$3500.00. Motion to approve the settlement was made by Mr.

Misasi. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

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

Mr. Brandstedt reported First Student Bus Company roof work should be completed by the end of May.

-5909 East Avenue demolition is complete. There is some back filling and fencing to remove.

-East Avenue/63<sup>rd</sup> Street retaining wall repair need to be complete. Awaiting proposals from contractors.

-2021 CCR water report is complete and due first week of July.

-GIS system presentation was complete and looking to start the data collection this summer.

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

Mr. O'Connell reported Montrose Environmental completed another study. The study on April 1, 2022 did not reflect any potential emission hazards from Beaver Oil. Copies of the test results are available if anyone would like a copy to review. There are not concerns for the emissions coming from Beaver Oil.

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

Mr. Rogers no further report.

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

Mr. Struve reported Ross will be opening Mid-July. Journey is open and Bath and Body will be opening. Buffalo Wild Wings is looking to open July 8, 2022.

-Chase Bank may be looking to locate at the Lone Star property. The Building would be demolished and a new building built.

-2 homes being built are progressing.

-6800 River Road foundation is in and walls are starting to be built.

-7250 Santa Fe Drive build out is progressing.

-Pre-Sale inspections have been completed at the Mobile Home Parks

-There was a Fire at Re-Conserve on River road. The Fire Marshall, Art Peters would like a meeting on this company, due to 3 fires in the last 3 years.

-Fire Department has some issues at Waste Management also.

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

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

-Title 10 is in for codification. No updates are available at this time.

-Building Codes will be updated next.

-Letters were hand delivered to the Managers of the 3 Manufacture Home Communities, letters were also mailed to the Corporate offices.

-The Manager of Valley Oaks is no longer employed there. They are trying to cover hours by other managers until replacement can be found. Phone calls are being handled by Corporate. There was a teleconference with Corporate on May 2, 2022 to discuss on going issues.

-7195 Santa Fe Drive Partners Dimensional Warehouse is out of business. The Modular trailer and some supplies are still on site. No response from the author of the letter that was received in January.

-On-going work with the filing system.

-May 3, 2022 was a flow test of fire hydrant for 6510 Chester sprinkler system.

- There was a meeting with Midwest Cargo, Manhard Engineering 9750 75<sup>th</sup> St. Regarding supplying sewer and water.

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

Deputy Chief Klotz reported Rodney Cummings and Robert Buralli attended the Civil Service Training Conference.

-Deputy Chief Klotz attended the Chief's Conference in Galena.

-Officer Jim Peirce will be retiring in June after 25 years of service.

-The Department will be short 2 officers. Looking for a new one in June and then another hire after the new testing.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley**

No Report

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

Mr. Misasi reported they are looking for one more summer help person.

-A wheelchair lift that is no longer needed will be moved from lot 45 to B13 in Weeping Willow.

-Lawn mowing and regular pickups are being completed.

**Building Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel**

Mr. Kovel reported there are 2 new homes being built. They are busy with lots of projects around the Village.

**Water Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi**

Mr. Misasi reported the department is installing new commercial water meter heads.

-GAS software system is being researched and should be implemented this summer.

**Police Committee, Chairman, Larry Rice**

-Mr. Rice reported there was a meeting downstate with people who control the retirement funds.

**Zoning Committee, Tim Kovel**

Mr. Kovel reported the codification is in process. Mr. Kovel would like the Zoning to be enforced.

**E.S.D.A Committee, Jorea Touranjeau**

Ms. Touranjeau reported regular patrols are being conducted.

-It is Severe weather season, so E.S.D.A. is ready to assist in emergencies.

-May 2, 2022 they assisted the Police Department with traffic control for an accident on River Road.

-Assisting with the Shredding Event on May 21, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

-Looking to hire summer help.

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

Mrs. Mills reported there were 30 people at the Mother's Day Luncheon.

-Thanked Ms. Souter for helping run the Bingo.

-The Hodgkins Park District is hiring summer help 16 years and older.

-The Memorial Day Celebration will start at 11:00 on Memorial Day. The crosses will be up from Thursday to Tuesday.

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

Mrs. Moxley reported Mrs. Salerno is working the Insurance Broker to get finalize Health Insurance Plan.

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

- A.) Discuss Personnel/Pay Scale
- B.) Village Project
- C.) Closed Session Minutes

7:31 p.m. - Motion to go into closed session was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Rice.

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

Voting Nay: None

Motion to resume open session at 8:48 p.m. was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Rice

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

Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Ordinance #22-05 Making Closed Session Minutes Open. Motion to amend Ordinance #22-05 on its Face to add Minutes from November 8, 2021 to be opened to the

Public. Motion to Approve Ordinance #22-05 was made by Ms. Touranjeau. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny compensation schedule regarding entry level position within the Water Department. Motion to approve the Compensation schedule was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Ms. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Resolution #2022-06 Approving the Sale of Property to Beaver Oil. Mr. O'Connell explained the price is \$9.00 per square foot. There is a purchase sale agreement that will be presented. There is a covenant in place requiring that no processing that can take place on this new property. It will be an office/laboratory only. The covenant runs with the land. Motion to approve Resolution #2022-06 was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Touranjeau. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

Motion to approve/deny Resolution #2022-07 approving the Sale of Property to H2R Development, LLC. The original proposed contract amount would be for the new location. The Village would pay for a capped water and sewer line. The village will provide detention for the area to accommodate the development and any other developments that come along. The village would pay for a pole and a sign that could be visible from the current location. Mr. Misasi questioned the sign and this will be looked into. Motion to approve Resolution #2022-07 was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Kovel. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

Moment of silence for former Village clerk and resident, Alice Kaczmarek who passed away recently. Services will be May 27, 2022 at St. Cletus church.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. was made by Ms. Touranjeau. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Ms. Touranjeau, and Mr. Misasi. Voting Nay: None

Signed: Stephanie Gardner  
Stephanie Gardner, Village Clerk

Date Approved: 6/13/2022

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0