

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 11, 2016

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

Those Present:

Acting President: Donald Cuttill

**Trustee: Vicky Moxley
Larry Rice
Paul Struve
Dominic Misasi
Philip Kringlie**

Attorney: John O'Connell

Those Absent:

President: Noel Cummings

Pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on June 13, 2016, as recorded by the Village Clerk. Motion to approve the minutes was by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion for approve the minutes of the special Board Meeting on June 23, 2016 as recorded by the Village Clerk. A motion to approve the minutes of the special Board Meeting was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Struve. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to file for audit the finance statement for May 2016. Motion to approve by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve the payment of bills as submitted for the month of June. Motion to approve the bills by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve/deny Resolution 2016-09, ascertaining the prevailing rate of wages for Laborers, workers, and mechanics contracted for Public Works Projects. Mr. O'Connell informed the board that this was requested by the State of Illinois. They asked for a resolution that would extend the prevailing rates that were used for 2015. The resolution was drafted using the language given by the state. The state has not complied with 2016 which is why is it being voted on. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Aye: None. Abstain from vote: Mr. Misasi

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve/deny 2016 Residential Real Estate Tax Rebates. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve/deny 2016 Garbage/Real Estate Tax Rebates in the amount of \$180.00. Mr. Misasi would like to see if the amount can be improved. A motion to table to a future meeting was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Struve Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve/deny Clear Channel Outdoor Lease Agreement Renewal for Santa Fe Drive adjacent to south La Grange Rd. known as lease # 33471. Mr. O'Connell recommended that this bill board lease renewal be moved to the building committee to review and authorize the approval or denial of the lease agreement. A motion to send this to the building committee for review with the authority to approve or deny was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve/deny Clear Channel Outdoor Lease agreement renewal 6882 River Road near the Hodgkins Pump Station known as Lease No. 33586. A motion to send this to the building committee with authority to approve or deny was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None. Abstaining from vote: Mrs. Moxley

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve/deny Resolution No. 2016-10 memorializing the acceleration of the purchase of 6024 and 6026 Lenzi Ave. on June 15, 2016. Mr. O'Connell discussed that the board had already approved an agreement with the owner of 6024 and 6026 Lenzi Avenue. The closing was on May 31, 2016. This was to be an articles of agreement for a deed, the final closing was August 1st or sooner. The Village Board allowed the Village Attorney to proceed with buying the property outright. This occurred on June 15, 2016. Chicago Title Insurance Company requested a resolution by the Village stating that this was approved. The Village has already closed and we own the buildings. A motion approving Resolution # 2016-10 was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve/deny Ordinance No 16-11 providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$5,000,000 Tax Increment Revenue Bonds, Series 2016, (Redevelopment Project Area #4). Mr. O'Connell asked Mr. Peter Rafael to come and discuss this Ordinance. Mr. O'Connell discussed that this Ordinance will allow us to issue bonds to pay for the property known as Dostal property and buy an additional 1.23 acres from Vulcan Materials. This will be a total of 13.25 acres with the property we already own. In the bond ordinance it calls for exhibits. It spells out what the Village must do to comply. There will be a bond purchase contract, an official statement, which describes the financial system to buy the property. Mr. Rafael discussed that the bonds will be TIF bonds which have been done previously. They will be paid for by Real Estate tax generated in TIF #4 and an additional sales tax as a secondary source from certain properties in TIF 4. Non-recourse to the village, not a general obligation, 20 year financing, and can be paid off after 10 years though usually not suggested. There is a third party report showing revenue, which is going to be prepared by Kane and McKenna. They are showing preliminary numbers 150 -2x coverage, and they are showing there is plenty of money to retire the bonds. If there was a shortfall it would never come back to the Village. Mr. O'Connell said the properties that would generate the sales tax are D&S, Point Blank Gun Range, Ben's Rental and Blue Nose Brewery, the New Advantage Chevrolet used car facility and Runyon Equipment. A motion to approve Ordinance No. 16-11 was made by Mr. Kringlie. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve/deny Ordinance No 16-12 providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$10,000,000 Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016 of the Village of Hodgkins and for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principle of and interest on said bonds. Mr. O'Connell discussed that this is a bond issuance for \$10,000,000. This will address the acquisition of all the Lenzi Avenue buildings, reimbursement of what has been paid, and demolition and site preparation of

the buildings. It is a general bond, and will be paid back by property tax payers of the Village. It will not affect the residents as we have the rebate program in place. This is needed to finish the project that has been started. There will be a statement prepared that reflects the financial liability of the Village, tax rates, what is owed and what the Village generates currently in property taxes. Mr. Rafael explained that this is a general obligation bond. This will add \$10,000,000 and the bonds will be rated. It is not expected to change the Village rating. Mr. Rafael is hoping for AA rating. If the property is sold it would be used to reduce the debt. The anticipated rate is 3-3.5% for 20 years. A motion to approve Ordinance No. 16-12 was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None

Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cainkar

Absent- No Report

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell

Mr. O'Connell reported on a petition that was filed for the UPS property last fall. UPS filed for 57 acres to be disconnected from Willow Springs. Over the last few months, there have been depositions, and meetings with Willow Springs Officials to suggest a settlement all to no avail. At this time Attorney Gregory Dose, has filed a summary judgment. Mr. O'Connell explained there are 6 elements that the law requires you prove in order to disconnect from 1 municipality and go to another. There have been 3 elements already agreed upon by Willow Springs. Attorney Dose has filed a memorandum for the 4th element, then following that there would be a hearing on the final 2 elements. Once all this has been completed then the property can be disconnected by the court and annexed into Hodgkins.

Report from Chief of Police, Ernest Millsap

Chief Millsap reported that he, Mr. Mills, and Rodney Cummings have attended some training sessions over the last month.

May 20th was the Cop on top event at Dunkin Donuts. Sgt. Cimino ran the event with help and raised approximately \$2300.00 for Special Olympics.

DARE graduation was May 24, 2016 and Officer Hosteny did a good job.

On June 9th Village Public Works employees, Jody Kovel and Dennis Folkerts helped to track down a drunk driver that was speeding through town. The employees provided information that helped Officer Baron identify the offender, and make the arrest.

The Aging Well Citizen's meeting was held on June 15, and discussed how to prevent identity theft.

Report from Superintendent of Public Works

No Report

Report from Building Inspector, Tim Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported on Speck Warehouse, 7225 Santa Fe. They are projected to be completed in October 2016.

Point Blank Gun Range is under Roof and moving along well. They are going to build an additional retaining wall.

The UPS retention pond is completed. Scott Blarman and Charles Hoover, project officials, thanked the Village of Hodgkins for their help and participation.

Report from Code/Life Safety Officer, Dan Tholotowsky

Mr. Tholotowsky reported on June 29th there was a second meeting with Mr. Piccolo regarding building codes. The initial review was completed and he is finishing up commentary. It will be brought back to the board for recommendation for approval.

Mr. Tholotowsky reported that the Village has been working with the mobile home parks regarding some canopy and sheds that were put up without permits. The residents were cited, not ticketed, and have removed them. There have been some shed specifications that were agreed upon with Valley Oaks Mobile Home Park. Some people have been cited for tall grass issues and one unit with no utilities.

They have also been busy at Lenzi, with the boarding of apartments, shutting utilities off and being sure dumpsters are adequate for removal of debris.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

Mrs. Moxley reported that there is a website RebootIllinois.com and they ranked Hodgkins #5 as a community of good ratings, jobs, family safety, schools, and cost of living. That is an independent website that deals with key issues of the state.

Public Works Committee, Phillip Kringlie, Chairman

Mr. Kringlie reported as of June 30, 2016. Mr. Scott retired. There were 12 applicants for this positions and interviews are being conducted this week. Mr. Kringlie hopes to have someone chosen by the next board meeting.

Mr. Kringlie says there are a few street issues that need to be addressed. Some concrete collars around manholes on East Ave need to be replaced. This was discussed with the engineers, and proper corrections were discussed. There is a portion on 67th St. and LaGrange Road which is bad. It needs to be deciphered if this is the Villages responsibility or IDOT's responsibility. There is another bad patch of road at 75th Street and Willow Springs Rd in the left hand turn lane that needs to be repaired.

Salt Dome bids are in and will be opened on Friday, June 15, 2016 at the Village Hall.

Mr. Kringlie and Mr. Cummings met with TARA International about possible purchase of 100 feet of their property on the south lot adjacent to the old fire house property.

Mr. Kringlie also informed everyone that Mr. Tholotowskys' daughter, Sarah is in boot camp for the United States Marine Corps in Parris Island, SC. He will provide an address for mail to be sent to her.

Building Committee, Paul Struve, Chairman

No Report

Water Committee, Phillip Kringlie, Chairman

Mr. Kringlie reported there is a leak that still needs to be identified in the 75th St area. It is being looked at tomorrow.

Police Committee, Larry Rice, Chairman

No Report

911 Committee, Dominic Misasi, Chairman

No Report

Zoning Committee, Dominic Misasi, Chairman

No Report

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

Mr. Struve deferred to Mr. Mills for the report. Mr. Mills reported he has met with the Park District regarding Hodgkins' fest, which is August 27, 2016.

The new vehicle will be available to start being used.

E.S.D.A. also assisted with a very serious accident that was on LaGrange Rd. They helped to direct traffic during the road closure.

Public Relations Committee, Donald Cuttill, Chairman

Mr. Cuttill reported the Ice Cream Social and Bingo event will be on July 20, 2016 at the Village Hall from 1:00-3:00pm. There is a boat trip being scheduled for September, but the details are not available yet.

Health, Safety, & Human Resource Committee, Vicky Moxley, Chairman

Mrs. Moxley is looking forward to hiring of the new Superintendent of Public works.

Chief Millsap asked about when the change to Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance takes place, and when it takes effect. Mrs. Moxley said it should start when the new contract starts at the end of July.

Old Business

Mr. O'Connell addressed Mr. Urban about his property. Mr. O'Connell received correspondence today from the attorney of Mrs. Doyle, and Mr. Urban's name was mentioned as being interested in buying her property. He would like to know if that is the case and would like to know if they have come to a specific number. Mr. O'Connell asked if after the meeting Mr. Urban could let him know by writing him or send him an email. Mr. O'Connell states that he will not respond to anyone who starts an email off threatening a law suit. Mr. O'Connell would like Mr. Urban to advise him as to what the purchase price is. Mr. O'Connell will not respond to anyone who threatens a law suit. Mr. O'Connell states that the Village has discussed with Mr. Urban in the past but the number given is not something that can be worked with. Mr. Urban says that he would like to receive comparable to what others received and he said the only thing he said is that he has twice as much as everyone else and should receive the amount x 2. Mr. O'Connell let Mr. Urban know that if he speaks with this attorney, we do not respond to threats. Mr. Urban has other concerns, and Mr. O'Connell said he can sell to any authorized entities. Mr. Kringlie asked for a meeting to be setup at another time to discuss these issues.

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to approve the completion of the Village Hall basement. A motion to approve the completion of the basement was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Moxley. A motion to approve the basement renovation project was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None

New Business

Comments from the Audience

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to go into closed session to discuss an existing law suit. A motion to go into a closed session was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None

Mr. Cuttill asked for a motion to resume open session. A motion to resume open session was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Cuttill, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mr. Kringlie. Voting Nay: None.

Adjourned: 8:02 P.M.

Stephanie Gardner

Stephanie Gardner, Clerk

Date Passed: 8-8-16

Voting Aye: 5

Absent: 1

Voting Nay: 0

Abstain: 0