VILLAGE OF HODGKINS
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 9, 2018

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

Those Present:          President: Noel Cummings
Trustees: Vicky Moxley
Larry Rice
Paul Struve
Dominic Misasi
Lida Mills

Attorney: John O'Connell

Those Absent:           Trustee: Donald Cuttill

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on March 12, 2018, as recorded by the Village Clerk. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Struve. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to file for audit the finance statement for January 2018. A motion to audit the finance statement for January 2018 was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to file for audit the finance statement for February 2018. A motion to audit the finance statement for February 2018 was made by Mrs Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve the payment of bills as submitted for the month of March, 2018. A motion to approve the payment of bills for March, 2018 was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.
Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny Payment #1 to MYS, Inc. in the amount of $110,631.81 for bridge repair and roadway maintenance on Leon Cook Drive, Santa Fe drive to River Road. A motion to approve Payment #1 to MYS was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to approve/deny Resolution # 2018-04 for 6600 River Road 6B Application. Mr. O’Connell explained this is the APL Building, which is up for sale. Midwest Industrial Funds Company has signed a letter of intent to purchase. They are planning $8-9 million in capital improvements. They need the 6B tax status to justify the improvements. This is consistent with all the resolutions that have been approved in the past. A motion to approve Resolution #2018-04 was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.

**Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cainkar**

Absent- No Report

**Report from Village Attorney, John O’Connell**

Mr. O’Connell reported that in 2007 the Toyota property had two obligations that incurred. The first being a $9.7 million Sales tax with GIO backing that was approved and a subordinate note with the owners of Toyota. The interest is 6.8% on this note. The Village owes the owner of Toyota $4.5 million for the subordinate note. The owner and Financial advisor agreed to $4 million. The village would save $150,000-$300,000 in sales taxes every year into 2032. That is a $3.5 million saving, and the interest rate would be 3.2%.

Secondly Mr. O’Connell reported that the Bond with Bank of Countryside is 5.5% that interest would decrease to 3.5%, and be payed of earlier. This has been discussed with Peter Rafael, Mr. Salerno, Paul Dobbin and the Bond council for approximately 2 months. They feel even though it is GIO backed we would never have to pay anything. All the property tax revenue and sale tax revenue generated by Toyota would allow us to abate this every year. There is significant savings in interest rates.

Mr. O’Connell reported that Pleasantview Fire Protection district wants to put a dish on the water tower for their dispatch center. Mr. O’Connell asked for a water committee meeting where Mr. Vern Millsap, and Chief Buckley be present to discuss this further.

Mr. O’Connell reported on the PUD project. The soil with high levels of pH is being removed. Anything above the level of 12.5 has to be removed. Anything below 12.5 will be used as fill for the other projects. One of the issues with Runnion’s Finance
contract is that until the EPA provides a no further remediation letter, First Midwest Bank needs a $900,000.00 collateral until the NFR letter is issued from the EPA. The problem with the pH level is on lot #2, which is not the Runnion property. We have asked the environmental consultants to submit two separate applications for lots 1 and 2, thinking possible the EPA will act quicker on lot #1 since there are no issues with this lot. Since the bank cannot proceed until the NFR letter is submitted. The Village will take $900,000.00 and put into a CD at First Midwest Bank, until the NFR letter is issued. It is the Villages obligation to provide the environmental approval to the bank. Mr. O’Connell said the work needs to be started at this site, and this is a way to get it going as soon as possible.

Mr. O’Connell asked for a motion to invest into a CD a Midwest National Bank. This is just moving money around. A motion to invest into a CD a Midwest National Bank for $900,000.00 was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye. Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.

Report from Chief of Police, Ernest Millsap

Chief Millsap reported the Civil Service Board has started the Promotional testing to complete a new Sergeant and Lieutenant’s eligibility list.

There was a fire in Valley Oaks on March 26, 2018. Chief Millsap reported he arrived a few minutes after the fire started and it was out of control. While securing the scene Officer’s Hosteny, Klotz and Handson did an excellent job of ensuring the mobile homes had no occupants and evacuating the other mobile homes that could have been in danger of catching fire. Sgt. Bennet and Lt. Milojevich also did a great job on the scene. The compassion displayed by our officers was outstanding. We all worked well with the Pleasantview Fire Department.

The speed sign is in place near Row E in Weeping Willow. So far around 8% of the cars have been recorded going 10-20 miles per hour over the speed limit. A traffic detail will start again shortly with officers looking for offenders. Warnings will be issued to violators.

Report from Building Inspector, Tim Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported there are two new homes being built currently in the Village. Two new plans have been submitted, one for Chester Avenue and one on Conrad Avenue.

A building inspection will be completed on ETHOS Seafood. They provide seafood to our Walmart and many others.
Report from Code/Life Safety Officer, Dan Tholotowsky

Mr. Tholotowsky reported there was an inspection for ETHOS at IAC and everything is going very well.

There was some occupation inspections done at Parkview Mobile Home Park, after several attempts the inspections were passed to meet code.

There was a fire at Valley Oaks. We are trying to obtain some information from management and that has been difficult. There are some inspections scheduled for this week.

Mr. Tholotowsky reported he received a call from the architect from Target Corporation. They are continuing plans for remodeling.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley

No Report

Public Works Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported road surveying and marking will begin soon to get ready for summer repairs.

Building Committee, Chairman, Paul Struve

Mr. Struve reported there was a Building Committee Meeting on March 21, 2018. It was approved for the payment of $201,350.00 to RW Collins for the PUD project.

Water Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported there are no major issues with the water. Chicago increased rates, so McCook is raising our water rates to $5.05 per 1000 gallons. This is a 1.81% increase and will be effective June 1, 2018.

Mr. Misasi reported Public Works Employee Mr. Paul Gray passed the water exam, and will be moving to the Water Department.

Police Committee, Chairman, Larry Rice

No Report
Zoning Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills

No Report

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

Mr. Struve deferred to Mr. Mills. Mr. Mills reported business and usual and nothing new to report this month. Mr. Cummings thanked the E.S.D.A. department for their good work.

Public Relations Committee, Chairman, Donald Cuttill

Absent- Mr. Cummings reported that Mr. Cuttill fell and broke his hip and 1 rib. Mr. Cuttill is in a rehab facility for 5-6 weeks. Mr. Cuttill explained that the no pay rule for missing two or more meetings was made for people who were missing a lot of meetings due to vacations or other things, not due to illness. Mr. Cummings asked for a consensus from the trustees to continue to pay Mr. Cuttill even though he is out sick. All trustees were in agreement to pay Mr. Cuttill during his illness and time of recovery. Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

Health, Safety & Human Resource Chairman, Vicky Moxley.

Mrs. Moxley reported that the police department has been doing a great job monitoring our stop signs in the village. Spring and summer are coming so be mindful of people who are out and about.

Comments from the Audience

Mrs. Salerno reported resident Margaret Demanski passed away on Friday. Her Daughter came in to bring her life alert back and to thank the Police Department, especially Officer Frank Baron and Officer Frank White.

Mrs. Suiter thanked the police department for all of their hard work.

Old Business

None

New Business

Clerk Gardner asked for a motion to re-appoint Trustee Larry Rice to sit on the Board of Trustees of the Hodgkins Police Pension Fund, effective April 9, 2018 through April 9, 2020. A motion to re-appoint trustee Larry Rice to sit on the Police Pension Board was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.
Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None.

Adjourned: 7:28 P.M.

Stephanie Gardner, Clerk

Date Passed: 5-14-18

Voting Aye: 5
Voting Nay: 0
Absent: 0
Abstain: 1