

VILLAGE OF HODGKINS
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

August 1, 2018

Meeting called to order: 7:08 P.M.

Those Present:

President: Noel Cummings

Trustees: Timothy Kovel

Vicky Moxley

Larry Rice

Paul Struve

Dominic Misasi

Lida Mills

Attorney: John O'Connell

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on July 9, 2018, as recorded by the Village Clerk. A motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2018 board meeting was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, 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 June 2018. A motion to audit the finance statement for June 2018 was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Struve. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, 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 July, 2018. A motion to approve the payment of bills for July 2018 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 cameras on River Road by the Water tower. A motion to approve the cameras on River Road by the water tower was made by Mr. Rice. 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 TIF Business incentive. A motion to table this motion to a future Finance Committee Meeting was made by Mrs. Moxley. 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 Class action Opioid legal case. Mr. O'Connell clarified there will not be any litigation cost if we join this lawsuit. A motion to approve joining the Opioid Legal case 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.

Motion to approve/deny repair to diesel gas pump at 6825 Santa Fe Drive. A motion to approve the diesel gas pump at 6825 Santa Fe Drive was made by Mr. Kovel. 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/deny Ordinance #18-15 approving the sale of Village property located at 6600 Kimball Avenue to William Schump in the amount of \$60,000. A motion to approve Ordinance #18-15 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 of \$72,915.00 by A Lamp Concrete Contractors for East Avenue Retaining Wall repairs. Mr. Misasi made a recommendation to deny this bid. Mr. Misasi said this bid is 63% over the Village Engineers Estimate, so they would like to rebid this project. A motion to deny low bid for A Lamp Concrete Contractors 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.

Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cainkar

Absent, No Report

Report from Village Attorney, John O'Connell

Mr. O'Connell reported results are being seen on the East Avenue project. The Village will be closing on the Advantage site on August 7, 2018. Work continues to progress. Mrs. Mills asked about the Union disputers and if it has slowed any of the progress, and it has not. Chief Millsap said the only thing they cannot do is park the cars on the sidewalk.

Report from Chief of Police, Ernest Millsap

Chief Millsap report the Emergency weather siren at Kane and Lyons has been repaired.

The foot and bike patrols are out around town.

There was a theft at the outside area of Public Works and illegal dumping. Due to cameras and good detective work, the suspect was found and apprehended. Chief Millsap is thankful for the cameras we have in town.

Report from Code/Life Safety Officer, Dan Tholotowsky

Mr. Tholotowsky reported there have been some citations for long grass, debris or weeds. In Weeping Willow lot OE, a resident is operating without a business license, so they are working on getting that resolved. The property at Lone Star will also be cleaned up. There was a sign at 6800 Santa Fe Drive, the IAC building that has been fixed.

They are currently working on outstanding permits.

At 7225 Santa Fe Drive, there is high grass and weeds, but there are questions about whose property this is. On the plans it shows Siegfried, but it may be Village property. Mr. O'Connell thinks that it is a Village rite of way. Mr. Tholotowsky will ask Public Works to take care of the high grass and weeds at this location. There is also a damaged window at this property. They will ask the property manager to take care of the window.

Report from Building Inspector in Training, Matt Struve

Mr. M. Struve reported Target is in the middle of their remodeling project. This should be finished by the end of October 2018.

The Runnion and Advantage Chevrolet projects are progressing.

The outstanding permits from the last year are being finalized.

There was a fire at 6604 Conrad Avenue. No one was hurt. Currently they are staying in a hotel. Mr. Struve spoke with the owner. The plumbing & electrical inspectors will be coming for inspections and also a structural engineer.

For most of the month of August Mr. Struve will be attending B&F sponsored classes for Building Inspector training.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Chairman, Vicky Moxley

Mrs. Moxley reported there was a committee meeting this evening. Cameras by the water tower were approved for \$39,600.00.

Also approved at the Board Meeting were the repairs to the Diesel gas pump at the 6825 Santa Fe Drive. The Village is going to pay for this repair and then request to be reimbursed for this through other entities.

There was also discussion a TIF business incentive for Salerno's Restaurant. This has been continued to another Finance Meeting, which will be in August.

Public Works Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported the painting of the no parking areas on the curbs was completed.

Road repairs for River Road, Santa Fe Drive and 75th Street will be starting later this month. Also road construction for South Bound LaGrange Road from Joliet to Archer Avenue will be starting this month. It will be done during night time hours.

Building Committee, Chairman, Tim Kovel

Mr. Kovel reported that Mr. M. Struve is attending the Building Inspector classes which will be a big accomplishment for the Village. This is a step in Mr. M. Struve becoming a certified Building Inspector.

Mr. Kovel and Mr. O'Connell have met with the owner of Advantage Chevrolet. The concrete pad has been rebuilt and is up to specifications. They are going to be starting the buildings foundation work in the near future.

Water Committee, Chairman, Dominic Misasi

Mr. Misasi reported the water committee is working well. There are no problems at this time.

Police Committee, Chairman, Larry Rice

No Report

Zoning Committee, Chairman, Paul Struve

No Report

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

Mr. Struve deferred the report to Mr. Allan Mills. Mr. Mills reported business as usual. They are planning for Hodgkins Fest which will be Saturday, August 25, 2018.

Public Relations Committee, Chairman, Lida Mills

Mrs. Mills reported there was an Aging Well meeting July 18. This was an Ice Cream social in which about 30 people attended. Mrs. Mills thanked Mr. Misasi, Marilyn Soutar and Alice Mikrut for their help with the social.

There was an Aging Well trip to the Zoo on July 19 in which 20 people attended. County Commissioner Jeff Tobolowski provided these tickets free of charge. They attended the dolphin show and did the tram ride. Mrs. Millsap thanked the Park District for the transportation

The Village flee Market is on August 25, 2018.

The next Aging Well meeting will be August 16, 2018 at 10:00am.

The School year is going to be beginning soon, so please drive carefully throughout the town.

Health, Safety & Human Resource Chairman, Vicky Moxley.

Mrs. Moxley reported tonight they did approve to join the Opioid Lawsuit. There are many neighboring towns that have joined. This is an epidemic and is expensive to Police departments, hospitals, municipalities, and is causing a lot of people their lives.

At 7:30 p.m. Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to go into closed session and allow Chief Millsap, Mrs. Salerno, and Mr. Vern Millsap to be present. The closed session discussion will be regarding:

- 1.) Issues relating to a specific residential property
- 2.) Discussion regarding Police Personnel

A motion to go into closed session 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.

At 8:16 p.m. Clerk Gardner asked for a motion to resume the open session. A motion to resume open session 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/deny a second 45 day medical extension for Officer Natassia Miller. A motion to approve the second up to 45 day medical extension 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.

A motion to approve/deny amending Ordinance #14-16 in regards to Medical Leave. A motion to table Ordinance #14-16 to the September Board Meeting 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.

Comments from the audience


Ms. Souter thanked the Village for hosting a wonderful Food Pantry.

Old Business

New Business

Mr. Cummings asked for a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills Voting Nay: None.

Adjourned 8:20 p.m.


Stephanie Gardner, Clerk

Date Passed: 9-10-18

Voting Aye: 5

Absent: /

Voting Nay: 0

Abstain: 0