

**VILLAGE OF HODGKINS**  
**MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**May 13, 2019**

**Meeting called to order: 7:04 P.M.**

**Those present:**

**President: Noel Cummings**

**Trustees: Timothy Kovel**

**Vicky Moxley**

**Larry Rice**

**Paul Struve**

**Dominic Misasi**

**Lida Mills**

**Those Absent:**

**Attorney: John O'Connell**

Pledge of Allegiance

A motion to approve minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on April 8, 2019 as recorded by the Village Clerk. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to file for audit the Finance Statement for March 2019. A motion to audit the Finance Statement for March 2019 was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve bills as submitted for the month of April 2019. A motion to approve the bills as submitted for April 2019 was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve/deny 2019-2020 Insurance Renewal Invoice from MICA in the amount of \$231,028.00. A motion to approve the 2019-2020 MICA invoice was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to Approve/Deny payment #1 to Hoppy Landscaping in the amount of \$26,813.25 for work performed on the East Avenue retaining wall. Mr. Misasi explained Village Engineer, Mr. Cainkar has approved this work. A motion to approve payment #1

to Hoppy Landscaping was made by Mr. Misasi Second by Mr. Struve. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve/deny low bid for 67<sup>th</sup> Street pavement repairs at BNSF spur track near Laidlaw bus entrance in the amount of \$45,000 to Chicagoland Paving Contractors. Mr. Misasi explained this is the lowest of 4 bids, and is recommended by Village Engineer, Mr. Cainkar to approve. A motion to approve the low bid to Chicagoland Paving was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mrs. Mills. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve/deny 8 month agreement with Viscnik for security camera maintenance for approximately \$2,000.00 per month. A motion to approve the 8 month agreement with Viscnik was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve/deny proposal from Point Blank regarding security enhancements at Point Blank using funds from the Village Proprietary Fund. Mr. Kovel explained these enhancements will make the Gun Range one of the safest in the State of Illinois. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Rice. Second by Mr. Misasi. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve/deny Resolution #2019-06 approving the relocated pipeline of 75<sup>th</sup> Street right of way in the Village of Hodgkins. Mr. O'Connell explained this is the Wood River Pipeline, which crosses 75<sup>th</sup> St. north through Hodgkins. In order for the Tollway Renovation to occur this Pipeline has to be relocated. We have easement rights on 75<sup>th</sup> St. so this must be approved to remove and relocate the pipeline. A motion to approve Resolution #2019-06 was made by Mr. Struve. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve/deny Ordinance #19-04 amending Title 7, Chapter 1, Section 2 of the Village of Hodgkins Code, Entitled Traffic Code. Mr. O'Connell explained this Ordinance is regarding the Violation of Handicapped Parking fees. If paid within 15 days of issuance it is \$250.00, if paid after 15 days the fee would be \$350.00. A motion to Approve Ordinance #19-04 was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve/deny Ordinance #19-05 Replacing the Building Code, Chapter 9, of the Hodgkins Village Code. Mr. Tholotowsky explained this is the upgrading model codes, mobile home footing and foundation, permitting, plan reviews, and updating all the codes that have been in place for a long time. He explained this has been a several year process. Mr. O'Connell asked where the Mobile Home Foundation requirements could be found. Mr. Tholotowsky explained slab requirements can be found in Title 9. Mr. O'Connell asked specifically where the slab requirements could be found. Mr.

O'Connell said the slab issue is very important and wants to make sure it is in there, because it had been discussed in detail. Mr. O'Connell also asked about what was decided with the Sprinkler Systems. Mr. Struve explained the committee decided to pay for increased water line to 1 ½" coming into residential homes. Mr. O'Connell could not find this in the code. Mr. O'Connell recommended having the Building Committee Review this further and give the authorization for the Building Committee to review and approve as final. Mr. O'Connell will get Mr. Urban a copy as he has requested. A motion to table this to a Building Committee Meeting with the Authorization for the Building Committee to approve as a final Ordinance was made by Mrs. Moxley. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to approve/deny Resolution #2019-07, authorizing Officer Desmond Handson and his family full health care, pension coverage and salary with with the Village of Hodgkins while serving his country. Mr. O'Connell explained Officer Handson has been in the National Guard since 2010. His unit has been deployed for active duty starting July 2019. We thank Officer Handson for his service, and ensure that his pay will be addressed as is under the law. He will receive his salary minus military pay, and his pension payments will be made to keep pension in line with his service. A motion to approve Resolution #2019-07 was made by Mr. Misasi. Second by Mr. Rice. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

#### **Report from Village Engineer, Jim Cankar**

Absent- No Report

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

Mr. O'Connell reported the liquor control commission of the Village, which is the mayor has approved to allow slot machines at the B/P gas station. Mr. John Canhan- General Manager for Prairie State Gaming, Mrs. Laurie Sheppard, Corporate Account Executive for Prairie State Gaming, Cyriac K.Chandy- Owner of B/P. Mr. Canahan explained the State of Illinois requires a location that would like to have gaming must have a liquor license. There will be an enclosed area with gaming and a cooler for beer and wine. They are expecting the sales to be minimal and in the gaming area itself. There will be 5 gaming machines installed. Mr. O'Connell explained the only reason Mr. Cummings considered this because removal of the Lenzi Avenue apartments affected the revenue that was being made at B/P. Mr. O'Connell explained that all elements that the State law on Video gaming will be adhered to at this facility. Mr. Canhan explained that the company is owned by Pan National Gaming. They have 41 casinos throughout the country, and are licensed everywhere. There are 400 locations throughout the state and their license is very important to them. Mrs. Moxley asked about the alcohol being regulated. Mr. Canhan explained it is not going to be like a bar. The register worked will have to pour the alcohol and can only be kept in the gambling area. Mr. Cummings said he was originally against it, until he went and viewed a location in Summit. He said

everything will be monitored. Ms. Sheppard said she does all the training for the staff. She is there on a regular basis and comes unannounced also, to be sure the staff is doing what they should be doing. There will be cameras, carding for people appearing under 35, and people will have to be buzzed in and out of the gaming area. Mr. Cummings does not have a problem with the gaming if it is run how they say it will be. Mr. O'Connell asked for a consensus for approval or disapproval of this. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills. Voting Nay: None

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

Chief Millsap reported D.A.R.E. graduation is May 14, 2019. There are 17 kids graduating this year.

May 17, 2019 is Cop on a Top to raise money for Special Olympics.

Mr. M. Struve was asked to add more speed limit signs to 67<sup>th</sup> St. The speed monitoring sign will be added to 67<sup>th</sup> Street.

Resident, Mr. John Seiple asked to have an officer monitor 67<sup>th</sup> and East Avenue around 4:50-5:00 p.m. in the afternoon to monitor the buses, as they do not slow down right away. He feels his children are put in danger to the speed. Chief Millsap will look into this.

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

Mr. Tholotowsky reported he found page 35 has the slab ordinance, and he apologized for the delay in founding. Mr. Tholotowsky thanked everyone who has worked hard on this Ordinance. Mr. Tholotowsky would like to get these questionable items reviewed and a Building Committee meeting done as soon as possible to finish this project.

Sterling Codifiers needs an Ordinance number to be able to finalize the code book.

There have been some concrete slab pre pour inspections done at Valley Oaks.

There have been some meetings with Waste Management. There was also a meeting with Studio G regarding future projects at the library.

There have been no parking signs added and no parking restrictions updated on both sides of 67<sup>th</sup> Street.

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

Mr. M. Struve reported there was a Grand opening at Advantage Chevrolet on East Avenue.

Waste Management purchased the former Industrial Steel Building. It is going to be a State of the Art recycle center.

Walmart online grocery pickup construction has started.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Finance Committee Chairman, Vicky Moxley**

No Report

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

Mr. Misasi reported crews have been cutting grass. We have received a new mower, and are keeping the old one as a stand by.

The playground equipment is being removed from Lenzi Ave, by a company called Kids around the World. The equipment will be donated to a third world country. The equipment cannot be reused here due to insurance regulations.

A new guard rail will be placed on 63<sup>rd</sup> St. at the pond. The water fountain has not been turned on yet.

### **Building Committee Chairman, Tim Kovel**

Mr. Kovel reported the buses and 67<sup>th</sup> street traffic is a large issue. We are attempting to get a roadway setup behind public works so the buses can exit on Santa Fe Drive. The railroad is asking that we possibly put in another spur, so the current spur can be closed. At this time, this is the only practical solution. He is working diligently with the railroad to see what can be done.

### **Water Department Chairman, Dominic Misasi**

Mr. Misasi reported the automatic control system has been installed.

There were 2 damaged drain lines on River Road and Wenz Avenue which have been repaired. Mr. Misasi is working with the owners of a company on River Road to pay for the repair to their collapsed drain line and fixing the road that collapsed.

### **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 to Mr. Mills. E.S.D.A. coordinator. Mr. Mills reported they helped with traffic at Salerno's for the derby event. Cop on the Top is this Friday. The Shredding event is this Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until noon at the Village Hall. It is open to Residents of the Village.

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

Mrs. Mills reported last month's Aging Well had about 30 people. They were updated on Fire and Tornado safety.

This month's Aging Well will be a Mother's Day celebration for Mothers and Daughters.

The weather is getting warmer watch out for children and people walking.

The Business Appreciation night was a huge success. She thanked Mrs. Salerno, Mr. Misasi and Chief Millsap for planning this event.

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

Mrs. Moxley thanked Chief Millsap for putting an extra light by the pedestrian walkway. It makes it easier to see people in the crosswalk

### **Comments from the Audience**

Mr. John Seiple, 67<sup>th</sup> St. resident addressed the board. There has been a refrigerator truck across the street from them at TARA international, which has been running day and night, making it very difficult for his family to sleep. Also the employees of TARA sit out on 67<sup>th</sup> Street and take their smoking breaks instead of going on the other side of the building away from the residents. He also addressed the hairnets that are being picked up in resident's front yard. Mr. Kovel informed the resident that he does not need to wait for a meeting to address these issues, he can come in to the Village Hall the next day and these items can be addressed. Mr. Seiple thanked the Board for working on issues with the buses and hopefully something can be done to fix these problems.

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

Mr. Misasi asked for a motion to increase the salary of Rodney Cummings and promote him to the position of Administrative Assistant. Mrs. Moxley explained when Mrs. Thompson's final day happens then Mr. R. Cummings will assume the salary of Administrative Assistant. A motion to approve the salary increase and promotion was made by Mrs. Mills. Second by Mrs. Moxley. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Moxley Second by Mr. Kovel. Voting Aye: Mr. Kovel, Mrs. Moxley, Mr. Rice, Mr. Struve, Mr. Misasi, and Mrs. Mills.

Meeting closed at 7:52 p.m.

Signed: Stephanie Gardner  
Stephanie Gardner, Clerk

Date Passed: 6-10-19

Voting Aye: 6

Absent: 0

Voting Nay: 0

Abstain: 0