

VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING - MINUTES
February 12, 2018

CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by President Nelson at 7:00 PM.

Present: Trustees Mike Constant, Tim Sellers, Jeff Nier, Joe Diedrich, and Chuck Riforgiate. Quorum Established.

Absent: Trustee Christine Clark.

Also Present: Village Clerk Elizabeth Losiniecki, Attorney Kristine Gibbons, and Members of the Public.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge to the flag was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT on Agenda Items Scheduled for Action Only

None.

General Business

Agenda item for discussion/approval: 01/22/18 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Trustee Sellers moved to approve the 01/22/18 Regular Board Meeting minutes and Trustee Nier seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

Agenda item for discussion/approval: Payment of Invoices Due

Trustee Diedrich moved to approve the invoices as presented and Trustee Sellers seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

• **Attorney's Report**

Attorney Gibbons stated that she is working on ordinances for discussion/approval at the 02/26/18 Regular Board Meeting. She is also working on the mowing contract for Trustee Nier. Trustee Nier stated that he needed the mowing request for proposal as soon as possible. Trustee Nier asked if committees can enter into executive session and Attorney Gibbons stated that she would check and let him know.

• **Engineer's Report**

Not present.

• **President's Report**

° **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Kishwaukee College Proclamation

President Nelson stated that Kishwaukee College is celebrating their 50th anniversary and read aloud the prepared proclamation number 2018-01 in support of Kishwaukee College.

° **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Re-appointment of Russ Kula as Regional Planning Commission Representative

President Nelson stated that Russ Kula, as Chairman of the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals has been the representative for the DeKalb Regional Planning Commission and that his term is expiring. Trustee Constant stated that Mr. Kula gets a lot out of attending the meetings and is very enthusiastic about the position. Trustee Constant moved to approve the re-appointment of Russ Kula as the Regional Planning Commission representative and Trustee Nier seconded motion. Roll Call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

° **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** DeKalb County Regional Planning Commission Annual Dues

\$500.00

President Nelson stated that the annual dues of \$500.00 for the Regional Planning Commission are due. Trustee Constant moved to approve the payment of \$500.00 for annual dues for the DeKalb County Regional Planning Commission and Trustee Nier seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

President Nelson extended thanks to Joe Moore and Ceneca Wagner for all of their hard work doing snow removal and the extra hours worked. Discussion followed regarding resident complaints about the State plowing snow onto the sidewalks on Route 30 in front of businesses. There was also discussion regarding ticketing/towing vehicles parked on the street during snow events, cars parked for extended periods of time in the municipal parking lot and businesses not shoveling sidewalks. President Nelson stated that CODE RED would be used to alert residents to get their cars off the street so that the plows can get through during snow events totaling two inches or more.

President Nelson stated that there is a house on May Street being renovated with the intention of turning it into an "escape room" venue.

President Nelson read a thank you note for the Police Department, a thank you note from the DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation and an anonymous letter from a concerned resident regarding View Street. It was noted by Trustee Constant that View Street is on the list for repairs.

President Nelson read an email from MSI taking responsibility for the issues involved with the late issuance of utility bills and the handful of irregular bills. It was noted that this was an MSI issue, not user error.

Committee Reports

° Personnel

No report. Trustee Clark not present.

° Finance & Economic Development

Agenda item for discussion/approval: Sales Tax Referendum Fact Sheet

Trustee Constant presented the fact sheet for the sales tax referendum and indicated that it had been reviewed by the attorneys. The amount that the Village will receive from the referendum (if passed) is still in question. Attorney Gibbons stated that she has not received an answer to the question but will send a response as soon as the information is available. Trustee Constant stated that there will be a Committee of the Whole meeting on March 12, 2018 to allow the public an opportunity to ask questions and voice their opinions and that the fact sheet should be mailed out by March 1, 2018. Discussion followed regarding what Trustees can say to residents regarding the referendum and the successful passage of a sales tax referendum in Sandwich. Trustee Constant moved to approve the sales tax referendum fact sheet with amended estimate revenue (when available) and Trustee Nier seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

° Public Safety

No report.

° Streets & Alleys

Trustee Diedrich stated that he talked to Joe Moore about hiring part-time seasonal help during heavy snow removal events. Mr. Diedrich also commented regarding vehicles parked in the municipal lot that appear to be inoperable. He also mentioned vehicles behind the barber shop on Route 30 that haven't been moved for months. Mr. Diedrich and Joe Moore are scheduled to meet with Pete

Walters (EEI) to finalize the list of street repairs.

° **Buildings, Grounds & Parks**

Trustee Sellers stated that the garbage proposal is out and posted and that he's gotten some questions from vendors. He also stated that the mowing contract will be posted on the website as soon as it's ready. Trustee Nier stated that he would like to award the contract late winter/early spring.

° **Water & Sewer**

Agenda item for discussion/approval: Purchase of four suction hoses for the 4" trash pumps – NTE \$730.00

Trustee Nier stated that these hoses are needed for the trash pumps that were purchased several months ago. Trustee Sellers questioned the expense and Trustee Nier stated that the Village does not have any 4" hoses. Trustee Nier moved to approve the \$730.00 expenditure for four 4" suction hoses for the trash pumps and Trustee Diedrich seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

Agenda item for discussion/approval: Purchase discharge hose for the peristaltic brine pump at WTF – Not to exceed \$2000.00

Trustee Nier stated that the existing hose is reaching the end of its life cycle and should be replaced prior to failure. The hose is necessary to provide clean water to residents and has a shorter life cycle due to the heavy salt content in the brine solution. Trustee Nier moved to approve the purchase of the peristaltic brine pump hose, not to exceed \$2000.00. Trustee Constant seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

None.

Open Discussion:

Trustee Constant asked what was going on with the cell tower on East Sandwich Road. Trustee Sellers stated that AT&T cell service has been unavailable for four days.

At 8:13pm Trustee Constant moved to enter into executive session pursuant to (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) (Meetings held to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body) and Trustee Diedrich seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

At 8:45pm Trustee Diedrich moved to re-convene the Regular Board Meeting and Trustee Nier seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Diedrich-Aye, Nier-Aye, Sellers-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Trustee Diedrich moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 PM. Trustee Constant seconded the motion. Voice Vote: All members voted yes. Motion carried.

The next Regular Meeting of the Village Board is scheduled for February 26, 2018.

Nancy Nelson, Village President

Elizabeth Losiniecki, Village Clerk