

VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - MINUTES
FEBRUARY 28, 2022
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING REGULAR BOARD MEETING

CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Mike Constant at 8:40 PM. Roll call was taken showing the following:

Present: Trustees Russell Kula, Walter Rainford, Mike Constant, Michele Greene-Larsen, Sarah Quirk, Steve Gayhart. Quorum Established.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Deputy Clerk Kathy Michaels, Village Clerk Elizabeth Losiniecki, Attorney Tait Lundgren, Chief Ken Gettemy, Chris Ott, Dale Youngers and Members of the Public.

PUBLIC COMMENT on Agenda Items Scheduled for Action Only

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Approval of Committee of the Whole meeting minutes from 02/14/22

Trustee Greene-Larsen moved to approve the minutes from February 14, 2022, and Trustee Rainford seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen-Aye, Quirk-Aye, Gayhart-Aye, Kula-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No Report.

CLERK'S REPORT

*Discussion and Recommendation: Email address changes

Village Clerk Loseniecki stated she would like to see the emails changed to the committee names so if someone leaves the next Trustee could go in and see any of the emails sent to the committee chair. We do not need a decision yet so think about it. We don't have many licenses left and she needs to go in and clear out the old emails. We are also looking into .gov email addresses. The police department has been turned down on receiving search warrant information since they don't have a .gov email address.

*Discussion and Recommendation: Phones for Trustees

Village Clerk Loseniecki stated that it is a good idea that all trustees have a village phone, especially for FOIA requests. Chief Gettemy was able to get a huge discount through T-Mobile.

*Discussion and Recommendation: Building Code Enforcement Adjudication Costs

In the past year we had 10 houses that were not compliant. After sending out letters 7 became compliant. We have spent over \$8500.00 in attorney fees and have only recouped around \$5000.00 and have 1 of the homes in foreclosure. The board needs to come up with some suggestions on what to prosecute and cost concerns if it is worth pursuing.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Chris Ott advised the board that he is hoping to have information on the lift stations for the next meeting. They are working on trying to get the cost down.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel

No Report.

Finance & Economic Development

No Report.

Public Safety

No Report.

Streets & Alleys

No Report.

Buildings, Grounds & Parks

*Discussion and Recommendation: VoiP Equipment Configuration at Water Treatment Facility
There was a discussion regarding the phone system at the water treatment facility. Dale Youngers stated that it has been over a year and the system is still not running. Youngers was going to purchase an adapter to see if he can get it up and running. If not, he will contact TRI-R to discuss if they know or will come out to see if they can fix the situation.

Water & Sewer

*Discussion and Recommendation: Water Service Line Inventory Mandate
Dale Youngers reminded the board that the deadline for the Water Service Line Inventory Mandate by the EPA is April 15, 2024. Youngers is requesting help from the Village in getting information from the residents. Chris Ott from EEI stated they may have a letter to send out in water bills for the resident to fill out and send back to the village. They will have to either go into residents' homes to view the water hook and piping or have residents take pictures and send them to Youngers.

Dale Youngers stated he must send a letter to the EPA stating that the nitrogen went above 10 mil per liters. Our reading was at 10.74. It is the first time that it has gone above since we built the new plant.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Trustee Kula stated that he received an email from Aurora Chamber of Commerce, and they would like us to send a letter to them stating we are still interested in being a member.

Trustee Kula also advised Trustee Gayhart he would get him a copy of the fire hydrant report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURMENT

Motion: Trustee Greene-Larsen moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 pm and Trustee Quirk seconded the motion. Voice vote: all in favor. Motion carried. The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2022, immediately following the Regular Board Meeting.

Mike Constant, Village President Pro Tem

Kathy Michaels, Village Deputy Clerk