

**VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING - MINUTES**  
**APRIL 11, 2022**  
**7:00 PM**

**CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Attorney Tait Lundgren at 7:00 PM. Trustee Greene-Larsen motioned for Trustee Quirk to be President Pro Tem. Trustee Rainford seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen-Aye, Kula-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried. Roll call was taken showing the following:

**Present:** Mike Constant, Russell Kula, Walter Rainford, Michele Greene-Larsen and Sarah Quirk. Quorum Established.

**Absent:** Steve Gayhart.

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT on Agenda Items Scheduled for Action Only**

Larry Menz wanted to know what vehicles were being surplus. Attorney Lundgren stated the Ordinance was not in effect yet and was being voted on tonight. Menz stated that everyone should have a chance to bid on the vehicles. Menz also wanted to know why the address listed on the land property was listed as 100 E. Sandwich and why there is only one pin number when it is two. Menz also wanted to know why Progressive is not coming to any meetings as they are for Sandwich. Trustee Constant stated they were out and looked at the property and it is a typo error on their end regarding the address. Menz also stated there is a lot of unanswered questions regarding the land purchase.

Julie Morsch thanked Chief Gettemy for the speed sign posted on Rees Street and it helped slow down traffic. Morsch also stated that residents in town need to be aware of their surroundings and should report any suspicious activity.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Regular Board Meeting Minutes from March 28, 2022  
Trustee Constant moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes from March 28, 2022, and Trustee Kula seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen-Aye, Quirk-Aye, Kula-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** *Payment of Invoices Due*  
Trustee Rainford moved to approve the invoices as presented and Trustee Greene-Larsen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Quirk-Aye, Kula-Aye, Rainford-Aye, and Constant-Aye, Greene-Larsen-Aye. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

No Report.

**ATTORNEY REPORT**

No Report.

## **CLERK'S REPORT**

- **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** 5B's Permit and Fees – Request Relief

Village Clerk Losiniecki stated that 5 B's is seeking assistance from the Zoning Administrator. We don't currently have a Village President. 5B's received a 14-page review back from B & F Construction stating that 42 items were not approved which 35 were an easy fix. John from B & F contacted John Weibler today and stated that the centralized Fire Alarm was not required and was taken off the table. There was a discussion regarding the biggest issue of the hood required for ovens. They will not have any open flames. The DeKalb County Health Department advised them it was not required for them to have the more expensive hood but according to B & F it was required. Attorney Lundgren advised the board they should have a board member as a spoke person to talk with B & F and Tim Badal to get answers and bring it back to the board for approval. Russ Kula volunteered to be the spokesperson.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

No Report.

## **TREASURER REPORT**

Treasurer Maroo stated he added a new box on the front of the Monthly Fund Balance Report to show the breakdown of COVID-19 money that we have on hand. The Water and Sewer Fund will be in the positive for a 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Personnel**

No Report

### **Finance and Economic Development**

- **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Land Purchase Appraisal

Trustee Constant thanked Clerk Losiniecki for putting together the Land Purchase Appraisal for all the trustees. He stated that he had nothing further to add. Bob Pritchard asked if anyone had any further questions. Attorney Lundgren stated the closing date is scheduled for Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. Trustees Constant and Rainford were good to go ahead with purchase. Trustee Kula stated this property has sat vacant for many years and why are we rushing into this purchase. The trustees had a short discussion.

- **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Land Purchase Closing and Wire Transfer

Village Clerk Losiniecki asked Treasurer Maroo where the money is coming from to pay for the Land purchase. Treasurer Maroo stated it will be coming out of the Non-Home Rule Fund. Attorney Lundren asked if a wire transfer could be done on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, for the closing on Thursday, April 14, 2022. Trustee Constant moved to approve the Land Purchase Closing and Wire Transfer and Trustee Quirk seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Rainford-Aye, Constant-Aye, Greene-Larsen-Aye, Quirk-Aye, and Kula-Nye. Motion carried.

### **Public Safety**

Chief Gettemy stated the speed sign battery lasted 8 days on Rees Street which was very good. In one week, 1838 vehicles travelled northbound. Out of that many cars, only 6 cars may have been ticketed. Next location will be on Rt 30 in front of the Hinckley Big Rock Elementary School. It will flash at 21 mph. We will pull over cars for School Zone Speed on school days when children are present. Judges

have their own interpretation of what school zones are and it depends on each individual judge.

### **Streets & Alleys**

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Disposal of Surplus Property Ordinance #2022-03  
Trustee Constant moved to approve the Disposal of Surplus Property Ordinance #2022-03 and Trustee Greene-Larsen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Constant-Aye, Greene-Larsen-Aye, Quirk-Aye, Kula-Aye, and Rainford-Aye. Motion carried. Trustee Constant stated that we need to post for everyone to see and bid on. Trustee Kula asked Chief Gettemy what the status of the white squad is. Chief stated he put a new battery in and then the starter died. He will find out the cost of a new starter and bring it to the next meeting.

It was discussed that we not have street cleaning on Monday's because it is garbage day and that just added more confusion.

### **Buildings, Grounds & Parks**

No Report.

### **Water & Sewer**

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Water Bill Mailer for Water Service Line Material Inventory  
Dale Youngers stated that Chris Ott provided an example of a letter that the City of Elburn sent out to their residents. We have 855 homes, and we are missing data on 409 homes and need to have it by mid-2024. We can do lots of mailings and knocking on doors. Youngers stated he has a list of the 409 homes that the flyers need to be sent out to. Village Clerk Losiniecki stated we could also put it on the message center on the July 2022 utility bills. Youngers stated we should have this at the next Regular Board Meeting so we can start getting things in motion.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Larry Menz stated per his opinion you cannot go back and change the exhaust hood once it is installed. William Badal stated the DeKalb County Health Department is out two to three times a year for inspections and they can make you update/change anything that is not up to code.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

None.

### **ADJOURMENT**

**Motion:** Trustee Constant moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm and Trustee Kula seconded the motion. Voice vote: All in favor. Motion carried. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on April 25, 2022.

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Sarah Quirk, Village President Pro Tem

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Kathy Michaels, Village Deputy Clerk