

VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING - MINUTES
MAY 9, 2022
7:00 PM

CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Attorney Tait Lundgren at 7:00 PM. Roll call was taken showing the following:

Present: Russell Kula, Steve Gayhart, and Michele Greene-Larsen. No Quorum Established.

Absent: Mike Constant, Walter Rainford, and Sarah Quirk.

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

Attorney Lundgren advised the Board Members they could engage in discussions, but no binding votes could be made.

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

Walter Rainford entered the Board Meeting Room at 7:03 PM and a Quorum was established.

Trustee Greene-Larsen motioned for Trustee Gayhart to be President Pro Tem. Trustee Kula seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen-Aye, Kula-Aye, and Rainford-Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT on Agenda Items Scheduled for Action Only

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Regular Board Meeting Minutes from April 25, 2022
Trustee Greene-Larsen moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes from April 25, 2022, and Trustee Kula seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen-Aye, Gayhart-Aye, Kula-Aye, and Rainford-Aye.

• **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: Gayhart-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Greene-Larsen-Aye, and Kula-Aye. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Special Presentation
Trustee Gayhart presented the Village with a plaque which we were nominated and won by the Illinois Environmental and Protection Agency for 2020 Class 3 Plant of the Year. Congratulations and great job to Dale Younger, Todd Tatum, and John Veliz for all their hard work.

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Appointment of Russ Kula as Zoning Administrator
Trustee Gayhart moved to approve the Appointment of Russ Kula as Zoning Administrator until the next election and Trustee Greene-Larsen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Rainford-Aye, Greene-Larsen-Aye, and Gayhart-Aye. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Trustee Kula asked Attorney Lundgren about the Salter Residence. Attorney Lundgren stated that is private property and the Village is not responsible for fixing.

Trustee Kula asked Attorney Lundgren regarding Dram Insurance for Pioneer Park and Lundgren stated the Village is not responsible since no license is required and there is no liability to the Village.

CLERK'S REPORT

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Dekalb County Community Foundation Grant and \$2000.00 matching requirement

Bob Pritchard stated the Planning Commission is looking to apply for this grant to hire an intern to work on the website as well as any social media. They would be working to increase visitors to our town. They are asking the Village to donate \$2000.00 which is 10 percent of the grant which is required to apply. Trustee Gayhart asked Pritchard if that would be the total cost to the Village. Pritchard stated that is the total cost. Trustee Kula asked if they would attend the Aurora Visitors Bureau meeting. Pritchard was unsure and stated a Planning Commission Member could always attend. Trustee Greene-Larsen asked which account this would be coming out of, and Attorney Lundgren stated any unrestricted fund could be used. Village Clerk Losiniecki also stated that if the board needed more time, they were not required to vote tonight they could push it to the next Regular Board meeting. Trustee Rainford moved NTE \$2000.00 for the matching requirement for the Dekalb County Community Foundation Grant and Trustee Greene-Larsen seconded. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen-Aye, Gayhart-Aye, Kula-Nye, and Rainford-Aye. Motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

No Report.

TREASURER REPORT

No Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Economic Development

No Report.

Public Safety

Chief Gettemy stated for the first time since 2009 the Hinckley Police Department has a full set of General Orders. This protects the Village as well as the Police Officers. Chief Gettemy also stated that the Police Department will be holding a Golf Cart/UTV registration this Saturday, May 14th at Pioneer Park. There will be hot dogs and water as well as things for the kids.

Streets & Alleys

No Report.

Buildings, Grounds & Parks

No Report.

Water & Sewer

Dale Youngers stated he put a list together of fire hydrants that need to be replaced and rebuilt in all

board members mailboxes. He stated he would like it to go on the next Regular Board meeting. It is taking 4 to 5 months to get parts and we will need to get them ordered ASAP.

Personnel

• **CLOSED SESSION (to the extent permitted by 5 ILCS 120/2a of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.) pursuant to §5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). [Discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body]**

Trustee Gayhart moved to go into Closed Session at 7:32 pm and Trustee Greene-Larsen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Rainford-Aye, Greene-Larsen, and Gayhart-Aye. Kula-Aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Gayhart moved to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting at 8:07 pm and Trustee Gayhart seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen, Gayhart-Aye, Kula-Aye, and Rainford-Aye. Motion carried.

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Appointed Officials Annual Compensation Increase(s)
Trustee Greene-Larsen moved to approve a pay increase retroactive to May 1st for Village Clerk Elizabeth Losiniecki of additional 5% along with an additional week of vacation and Trustee Rainford seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen-Aye, Gayhart-Aye, Kula-Aye, and Rainford-Aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Greene-Larsen moved to approve a pay increase retroactive to May 1st for Chief Ken Gettemy an additional 5% and Trustee Kula seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Gayhart-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Greene-Larsen-Aye, and Kula-Aye. Motion carried.

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Employee Pay Increase(s)
Trustee Greene-Larsen moved to approve a pay increase retroactive to May 1st for Officer Matt Dolmyer an additional 3% pay increase and Trustee Rainford seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Kula-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Greene-Larsen-Aye, and Gayhart-Aye

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OPEN DISCUSSION

None.

ADJOURMENT

Motion: Trustee Greene-Larsen moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm and Trustee Kula seconded the motion. Voice vote: All in favor. Motion carried. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on May 23, 2022.

Steve Gayhart, Village President Pro Tem

Kathy Michaels, Village Deputy Clerk