

**VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - MINUTES**  
**July 13, 2020**  
**REMOTE VIA TELECONFERENCE**  
**[IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING REGULAR BOARD MEETING]**

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**CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Trustee Manivong at 7:35 PM. Roll call was taken showing the following:

**Present:** Trustees Chuck Riforgiate, Walter Rainford, Daniel Roop, and Mike Constant. Quorum Established.

**Absent:** Village President Nancy Nelson.

**Also Present:** Village Clerk Elizabeth Losiniecki, Treasurer Maroo, Ceneca Wagner, Chris Ott (EEI), Attorney Josef Kurlinkus, and Members of the Public.

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

None.

Trustee Manivong stated that Trustees Constant, Roop, and Riforgiate were in attendance in the Village Hall and Trustee Rainford was present on the phone.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Agenda item for Discussion/Approval:** *Committee of the Whole meeting minutes from 06/22/20*  
Trustee Constant moved to approve the minutes from 06/22/20 and Trustee Riforgiate seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Constant-Aye, Roop-Aye, Manivong-Aye. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

° **Personnel**

No report.

° **Finance & Economic Development**

No report.

° **Public Safety**

No report.

° **Streets & Alleys**

**Discussion and Recommendation** regarding *Sidewalk Repair Program*

Ceneca Wagner stated that he had called three contractors and only heard back from one. The quote was approximately \$5400.00 to repair sidewalks damaged during watermain breaks that were not

restored at the time of repair. There was a discussion regarding pricing and best time of year to seek contractors. Mr. Wagner also stated that there is a storm drain in a backyard near Miller and View that will need to be fixed.

Trustee Manivong suggested doing a 50/50 split with residents for the sidewalk repair. Trustee Riforgiate stated that there is a list of sidewalks in need of repair included in the meeting packet. Riforgiate also recommends the 50/50 cost split with residents and stated that many other municipalities utilize this arrangement. Riforgiate will put together a program proposal for presentation at a future meeting. There was additional discussion regarding coordinating and scheduling sections of town in order to be most efficient. Riforgiate stated that public works is not outfitted to do this work and that it will have to be contracted out.

Trustee Constant asked Wagner about the section of sunken sidewalk at Rees and Christensen Streets and Wagner stated that he has not changed his plowing habits and that the water and ice that collects there is the result of gradual sinking of the road. He stated that as the Village builds up the sidewalk, it will be 5" higher than the grass and will become a trip hazard.

#### **Discussion and Recommendation regarding Leaf Pick up**

Trustee Riforgiate stated that the Village is not currently equipped to provide this service to residents. He stated that he does not think the service should be continued, particularly because Lakeshore Recycling picks up leaves and yard waste as part of their service. The residents are already paying for leaf pick up via their monthly garbage service fees. The Village will have to purchase a new truck for the public works department in order to continue providing leaf pick up.

Trustee Constant asked if an outside contractor had been considered for the service. He stated that he had looked into this earlier in the year and found that Geneva uses a contractor. Mr. Constant said that he had sent all the information he gathered in March to the Village President and asked to have this on the agenda. His request was denied. He stated that this should have been discussed months ago and suggested that Trustee Riforgiate contact the Village President for the information.

#### **° Buildings, Grounds & Parks**

##### **Discussion and Recommendation regarding Potential Donation to the Village of property located at 142 W. Lincoln Avenue (Marwaha Building) by Dr. Vijay Marwaha**

Clerk Losiniecki stated that she had contacted B&F Construction Code Services to request that they work with Dr. Marwaha to schedule an inspection. Attorney Kurlinkus stated that the building inspection had been scheduled for today but had to be rescheduled. He stated that the report will be available at the next meeting. Chris Ott stated that he had received two proposals from companies to do the phase 1 environmental study. He is waiting for a response from a third company. The reports should be ready for the next meeting. Trustee Constant suggested that the Board review the two reports and then decide. He believes there is money to be made for the sale of the medical equipment. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

##### **Discussion and Recommendation regarding Park Program & Discussion and Recommendation regarding Park Program Coordinator**

These two items will be held over to the next meeting for discussion.

#### **° Water & Sewer**

##### **Discussion and Recommendation regarding Invoice Cloud e-payment System**

Trustee Roop stated that he is reviewing other, similar options and will report more at the next meeting.

Trustee Manivong stated that EEI had contacted the IEPA regarding approval to bypass during the water tower remediation and that the answer was no. The Village needs to mitigate the risk to the infrastructure and asked EEI (Chris Ott) for input. Chris Ott stated that Steve Dennison (EEI) will be at the next meeting to discuss this topic.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Resident Larry Menz suggested that something be included in the next water bill regarding “what NOT to flush.” Clerk Losiniecki stated that there is information on the website regarding this topic. Mr. Menz stated that people don’t read the website.

Resident Rob Zimmermann commented regarding the proposed sidewalk repair program. He asked what happens if a resident can’t afford the 50/50 split? Trustee Riforgiate stated that the Village would most likely repair that section rather than replace it. Mr. Zimmermann also commented regarding leaf pick up. He stated that the Village either has to buy a new truck for leaf pick up service or allow leaf burning. He also asked who was going to inspect the Marwaha building and Attorney Kurlinkus stated that B&F would do the inspection.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

None.

#### **ADJOURMENT**

**Motion:** Trustee Constant moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm. Trustee Riforgiate seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Constant-Aye, Roop-Aye, Manivong-Aye. Motion carried. The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for July 27, 2020, immediately following the Regular Board Meeting. The meeting will be held at the Village Hall.

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Nancy Nelson, Village President

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Elizabeth Losiniecki, Village Clerk