

VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING - MINUTES
JULY 13, 2020
REMOTE VIA TELECONFERENCE
7:00 PM

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CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Trustee Louis Manivong at 7:00 PM. Roll call was taken showing the following:

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

Absent: Village President Nancy Nelson and Trustee Walter Rainford.

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

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

Attorney Kurlinkus stated that a motion to select Trustee Manivong to Chair the meeting was needed. Trustee Riforgiate moved to appoint Trustee Manivong to Chair the meeting and Trustee Constant seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Roop-Aye, Constant-Aye, Manivong-Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT on Agenda Items Scheduled for Action Only

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Trustee Manivong stated for the record and the benefit of those present via teleconference that Trustees Riforgiate, Roop and Constant were present with him in the Board Room at the Village Hall.

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** Regular Board Meeting Minutes from June 22, 2020

Trustee Constant moved to approve the June 22, 2020 Regular Board meeting minutes as presented and Trustee Riforgiate seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Constant-Aye, Roop-Abstain, Manivong-Aye. Motion denied.

• **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** *Payment of Invoices Due*

Trustee Constant moved to approve the invoices as presented Trustee Roop seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Roop-Aye, Constant-Aye, Manivong-Aye. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Lions Club Proclamation

Trustee Manivong read a proclamation *Recognizing and Celebrating the Hinckley Lions Club* and their 50th anniversary. The Hinckley Lions Club was established on April 2, 1970 and has generously contributed to the community via initiatives such as: activities, equipment and programs for youth, HBR school district annual hot dog day, funding for various community programs, free vision and hearing screenings, farm machinery auctions, scholarships, and many others. The proclamation declares that the first Thursday in April shall be recognized as Hinckley Lions Day in the Village of Hinckley, Illinois.

Lions Club President Travis McGuire thanked the Board of Trustees and for the recognition and the opportunity to continue to serve the community. Trustee Manivong thanked the Lions Club for their years of service to the community. Lions member Jerry Bahl stated that their cruise night will be on July 25, 2020 from 8 am to 8 pm and they would like the Sycamore Street outdoor dining area to remain open through that weekend to accommodate attendees.

- **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** *Skid Steer Repairs*

Ceneca Wagner stated that the skid steer had been repaired for approximately \$900.00 as agreed to at the June 22, 2020 Regular Board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel

- **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** *Pay Increase for Chief of Police & Pay Increase for Village Clerk*

Trustee Constant stated that he is not comfortable discussing this topic in open session and suggested that the items be held over until Village President Nelson is present. Trustee Riforgiate agreed. Attorney Kurlinkus stated that a motion to hold the items over would be needed. Trustee Constant moved to hold these agenda items over until the next meeting and Trustee Riforgiate seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Roop-Aye, Manivong-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

Finance & Economic Development

- **Agenda item for discussion/approval:** *FY2021 Appropriations Ordinance*

Trustee Constant stated that there was no input from the public regarding the appropriations ordinance. He stated that the notice of public hearing was published in the newspaper and that the DRAFT version had been made available at the Village Hall. Mr. Constant reviewed input from the Village President regarding pay increases for appointed officials, storm damage to the Village Hall, a new laptop, and COVID-19 expenses. He stated that all the items were already accounted for in the current DRAFT version except the COVID-19 expenses. He suggested that a line item of \$25,000.00 be added for COVID-19 expenses. He stated that Treasurer Maroo had set up a separate expense category for COVID-19. Mr. Constant moved to approve the FY2021 appropriations ordinance as presented, with the addition of a \$25,000.00 line item for COVID-19 expenses. Trustee Riforgiate seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Roop-Aye, Manivong-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Rainford joined the meeting via teleconference at 7:20 pm.

Trustee Constant stated that the annual audit is 99% complete and that it is due to be presented at the July 27, 2020 Regular Board meeting.

Public Safety

No report.

Streets & Alleys

No report.

Buildings, Grounds & Parks**• Agenda item for discussion/approval: *Port-o-potty for Garfield Park***

Ceneca Wagner stated that there is already a concrete pad at the park for the port-o-potty. He stated that the pad and port-o-potty were put in years ago, prior to the house to the south of the unit. He stated that the port-o-potty had been moved but is no longer on a concrete pad and that the current location limits access for service vehicles. There was a brief discussion about the best location for the unit and if the existing concrete pad could be moved. There was no vote.

Water & Sewer**Agenda item for Discussion/Approval: *Annual Rate Increase for Water & Sewer Service***

Trustee Manivong stated that the annual rate increase for water and sewer service was due, per Village ordinance, in the first quarter billing of 2020. Manivong stated that the water rate would increase to \$7.45 per 1000 gallons, the capital improvement fee would increase to \$2.42 per 1000 gallons, the sewer rate will increase to \$6.42 per 1000 gallons and the debt service fee will remain the same at \$131.38, per metered location. Mr. Constant stated that the increase is one quarter late in being implemented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Rob Zimmermann inquired about the \$10,000.00 donation the Village had made for a digital sign for the high school. Travis McGuire, Superintendent of Schools, stated that the insurance claim (for the damaged sign) had been settled and that the new sign should be installed by September, 2020.

Mr. Zimmermann asked what the Village was doing about the weeds along Route 30 and Ceneca Wagner stated that he normally does not spray Route 30 because it is the State's responsibility. Wagner stated that he has only sprayed along Route 30 once before in 14 years.

Mr. Zimmermann stated that he was opposed to the water/sewer rate increase.

OPEN DISCUSSION

None.

ADJOURMENT

Motion: Trustee Constant moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:33pm. Trustee Riforgiate seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Roop-Aye, Manivong-Aye, Constant-Aye, Rainford-Aye. Motion carried.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on July 27, 2020.

Nancy Nelson, Village President

Elizabeth Losiniecki, Village Clerk