

**VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - MINUTES**  
**July 27, 2020**

**CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Village President Nancy Nelson at 8:38 PM. Roll call was taken showing the following:

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

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Village Clerk Elizabeth Losiniecki, Chief Gettemy, Treasurer Maroo, Dale Youngers (TEST), Chris Ott (EEI), and Attorney Josef Kurlinkus, and Members of the Public. Steve Dennison (EEI) participated via phone.

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

None.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Agenda item for Discussion/Approval:** *07/13/20 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes*

Trustee Manivong moved to approve the minutes from 07/13/20 and Trustee Roop seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Manivong-Aye, Roop-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

Chris Ott asked to have the Water/Sewer agenda item discussed first so that Steve Dennison could minimize his time on the phone.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

**° Water & Sewer**

**Discussion and Recommendation** related to the *Elevated Water Storage Tank Project*

Dale Youngers stated that wanted to update the Board of Trustees regarding how the water treatment plants will function with the Elevated Water Storage Tank (EWST) out of service (OOS). He stated that the Village had sought permission from the Illinois EPA to bypass the plant while the EWST was OOS but the EPA denied the request. Taking the EWST out of service is not good for the water treatment plant and there are tasks that need to be performed ahead of time to mitigate the associated risks. Youngers suggested the need for program changes to the Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) and brainstorming sessions with Tonka, EEI and TEST. Ideally, the PLC changes could be made ahead of time and tested prior to the actual OOS. Drops in water pressure as a result of the EWST being off-line can result in system wide boil orders, which is difficult for commercial customers to recover from.

Steve Dennison agreed with everything that Dale Youngers had presented and reiterated the risks and challenges associated with taking the EWST off-line. He stated that other communities have done so successfully, and additional planning is warranted since the Village only has one water tower. He suggested bringing Tonka into the discussion for planning and integration assistance.

Trustee Constant asked about a cost estimate for the advanced planning process and Dennison stated that some of the associated costs were already planned and built into the original proposal. The

costs associated with the instrumentation changes (PLC) will be determined by the systems integrator. Dennison estimated the costs to be in the thousands of dollars, not tens of thousands. Dennison suggested giving Dale Youngers to pursue advanced planning with EEI and Tonka. There was consensus among the Board of Trustees to move forward with the advanced planning for the project.

Dale Youngers stated that there were six water main breaks during the last EWST maintenance project. Chris Ott stated that there are specifications regarding how long the EWST will be allowed to be off-line and that the plan will have the most advantageous timeline possible.

° **Personnel**

No report.

° **Finance & Economic Development**

No report.

° **Public Safety**

No report.

° **Streets & Alleys**

**Discussion and Recommendation** regarding *Overnight Parking on View Street between Miller and McKinley*

President Nelson stated that she has received complaints regarding people parking construction vehicles in front of homes on View Street for excessive amounts of time and that she'd like to consider an overnight parking ban. Chief Gettemy stated that the Village cannot ban overnight parking on one street and not all others. He also stated that, if such a ban were imposed, there would be nowhere for some residents to park.

There was additional discussion regarding the owner of the vehicles, code violations and enforcement. Chief Gettemy stated that this is a motorist safety issue and that some additional research will be needed regarding State statues for commercial motor vehicle violations. Trustee Riforgiate stated that vehicles with F or H plates cannot be parked on a roadway for more than 15 minutes.

Discussion continued regarding unregistered vehicles in the driveway and neighbors piling brush along the road to prevent parking in front of their homes. Neighbors stated that they feel threatened and unsafe due to the parked vehicles obstructing their view when backing out of their driveways. Gettemy suggested the possibility of restricting parking on the east side of View Street and the residents in attendance were in agreement with the proposal. Gettemy informed the Board that the person parking the vehicles illegally is a renter, not a homeowner, and that the property owner may be responsible for code and ordinance violations.

° **Buildings, Grounds & Parks**

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

This item was discussed during the Regular Board meeting.

**Agenda item for Discussion and Recommendation** regarding *Park Program & Park Program Coordinator*

Village President Nelson stated that she had received an inquiry from a resident regarding the park program coordinator position. After a brief discussion, it was determined that the inquiry was most likely related to offer a park program rather than interest in the coordinator position. There was a brief discussion regarding possible candidates. Trustee Roop asked if there were plans to advertise the open position and President Nelson stated not at this time.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

President Nelson commented regarding leaf pick up. She stated that Lakeshore Recycling offers yard waste pick up free of charge (as part of the services included in the monthly fee). Trustee Constant stated that it is labor intensive to put raked leaves into bags and Treasurer Maroo added that the bags cost money.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Trustee Roop moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 pm. Trustee Manivong seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Riforgiate-Aye, Manivong-Aye, Roop-Aye, Rainford-Aye, Constant-Aye. Motion carried.

The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for August 10, 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