

**VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2021
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Interim Village President Lou Manivong at 7:15 PM. Roll call was taken showing the following:

Present: Trustees Michele Greene-Larsen, Russell Kula, Walter Rainford, Lou Manivong, and Sarah Quirk. Quorum Established.

Absent: Mike Constant.

Also Present: Village Clerk Elizabeth Losiniecki, Deputy Clerk Kathy Michaels, Chief Gettemy, Ceneca Wagner, Attorney Tait Lundgren, Bob Pritchard, and Members of the Public.

PUBLIC COMMENT on Agenda Items Scheduled for Action Only

None.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Approval of Committee of the Whole meeting minutes from 08/23/21.

Trustee Kula moved to approve the minutes from August 23, 2021, and Trustee Greene-Larsen seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Greene-Larsen-Aye, Quirk-Aye, Manivong-Aye, Kula-Aye, Rainford-Aye. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Discussion and Recommendation Purchasing Policy Amendments

Interim Village President Manivong recommended increasing the Village's Purchasing and Bidding Procedures and limits the contractor to amount spent. Interim Village President would like this to be put on the next Regular Board Meeting for a vote.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Personnel

No report.

Finance & Economic Development

No report.

Public Safety

Chief Gettemy stated he is looking into a scheduler/time clock app it would be at a yearly cost of \$480.00 year. He will have more information for the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Streets & Alleys

Discussion and Recommendation regarding Hinckley Fine Arts Festival

Hinckley Fine Arts Festival will be held on October 23, 2021. The committee is asking for Sycamore Street and Maple Street to be closed from Rt. 30 to the Alley. Ceneca stated he will drop off barricades at both locations for committee members to set up. Chief Gettemy stated he would like heavier barricades, so people don't try and go around. Ceneca stated he could get ahold of Squaw

Grove. Kristy Bark and Phil Nelson were all good with the activities going on at their locations. Trustee Quirk wanted to make sure the library was contacted as well and if we had any extra movable handicapped parking signs. Ceneca stated we have one and can order one more to receive by the festival. Trustee Kula also asked if there is any handicapped parking in the village parking lot and Ceneca advised him there is one.

Discussion and Recommendation regarding Railroad Crossing Update

Trustee Kula spoke with BNSF Dan Pellatier. He stated that Dan Kohler is ok with the closing and he was sent paperwork to sign.

Discussion and Recommendation regarding Roadwork Update

The roadwork is finished on Amie and Prairie View they are just finishing up the fine details of landscaping. Trustee Greene-Larsen stated she spoke with a resident that was very grateful for the road repair.

Chris Ott will be driving around with Ceneca to see which streets are in high need of patching.

Buildings, Grounds & Parks

Trustee Rainford spoke with Kramer Tree Service who said they will not be offering leaf pick up service to any other village or towns. Rainford also spoke with Sugar Grove who does not offer that service.

Water & Sewer

Interim President Lou Manivong stated he spoke with Chris Ott who said door was painted on the water tower and landscaping was finished.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Elizabeth Losiniecki stated they have not received the grant money from the state and she is jumping through hoops to get the money. It will be at least a month or more to get the money. Losiniecki also stated the annexation of properties will not happen until the end of October.

Interim Village President Manivong read a thank you card from the Joe Diedrich family for the flowers and fruit/nut tray they received after his passing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Halloween is on Sunday, October 31, 2021 and Trick or Treat Hours will be from 4p-8p.

Trustee Kula asked Manivong if he had a date for a Town Hall Meeting. Manivong stated he is working on it and will let us know.

Tait Lundgren stated the Oak Knoll entrance dedication of roadway is under consideration. The Village is not favor of commercial traffic in the neighborhood. Bob Pritchard questioned if the property owner could put a road in and Lundgren stated it would still have to be approved by the Village.

Trustee Kula asked Manivong if he found out any information about the Royal Estates tax rates that Larry Menz brought up at a previous meeting. Manivong stated he would contact the assessor.

There was a discussion about Royal Estates putting in fiber lines.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Trustee Quirk moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. Voice vote: all in favor. Motion carried. The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2021, immediately following the Regular Board Meeting.

Louis Manivong, Interim Village President

Kathy Michaels, Deputy Clerk