

**MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF HAMEL BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday December 14, 2021  
7:00 PM at Village Hall  
111 South Old US Rt 66, Hamel Illinois**

The Hamel Board of Trustee meeting was called to order by Mayor Larry Bloemker at 7:00 p.m. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Trustee Goebel, Trustee Otrembiak, Trustee Isringhausen, Trustee Recer  
Absent: Trustee Gorzny, Trustee Behrhorst

**PRESENT:**

Mayor: Larry Bloemker  
Village Clerk: Debbie Belville  
Public Works: Don Grimm  
Village Attorney: Phil Lading  
Chief (interim) Mickey Jader

**GUESTS:**

Nathan Hutson (MCC)

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Regular monthly bills, Treasurer Report, Minutes and Executive Session Minutes from November 9, 2021. Motion to pass consent agenda made by Trustee Goebel and second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Recer, Isringhausen, Otrembiak, Goebel. All ayes. Motion carried (4-0).

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**MAYOR REPORT:**

Santa was escorted around Hamel on Saturday December 11<sup>th</sup>. The "parade" took right at 2 hours, and he got to visit with numerous kids and parents alike.

We will begin looking at paperwork regarding the sidewalk money from the DCEO. Juneau will be here next month to start discussions about preliminary engineering. There is a lot that can be discussed prior to the engineering such as locations of cross walks and different areas for the sidewalks. There will be a lot of information that will come from IDOT as well.

**POLICE REPORT:**

Chief Jader reported a total of 7 case reports generated for the month. Total of 36 traffic stops with 29 citations issued and 26 warnings. There will be a STEP Grant campaign done in December for a total of 16 hours.

All Officers remain in compliance with training. Mayor Bloemker went to Greenfield, Illinois to deliver some equipment that will be in the new squad car. We are on schedule to have the new police squad by the end of December.

There have been a few personnel changes within the Department. The hiring and resignation of Chief Land and the promotion to Interim Chief of Police for Mickey Jader. Also, we are in the process of hiring a parttime officer Jake Rhodes. His background phase has been completed and as of today he finished qualifying. He will be starting December 20, 2021. Jake lives here in Hamel and has extensive training, 8 years with police and he is currently a Captain with the National Guard. Jake will be working weekends and overnight weekends as well. There was a clothing rack purchased for the department to get the office area cleaned up and to store uniforms, vest, and coats.

**PARK REPORT:**

The benches and receptables are expected in late February first of March.

**WATER REPORT:**

South main water extension update, still working on getting easements. Bob will be looking at other avenues regarding this extension. Don has been working on reports and samplings for 2022. Don will be taking evening classes on-line for training. EPA has new regulations that will need to be completed. There is a new lead survey on service lines that will need to be completed in addition to other new regulations. The completion dates on these new regulations maybe up to two years. Don has been keeping an on-going inventory of what the Village has, at this point he believes there are about 40 that are unknown. There will be 1 tap-on for this month.

**SEWER :**

Last month phase 1 for the lining of the manholes has been completed. There were 6 manholes that were raised. There are still another 6 left to be raised, however there is an issue with getting concrete stackable rings. There will be another batch made soon and then the rings will be installed. Our infiltration of solid waste has picked up. Regarding the rock filter the oxygen levels are low, so Don located 6 used disks. He used 3 and made cages with the air disks and they were installed. He raised the level of the plant by 3 inches, this will add 6 million gallons of storage space. There are 3 disks left, they will be put in the main cell.

**STREETS/STORM WATER REPORT:**

Cold patch is being used on the entrances to some side streets that come off the main roads. The parking lot to the North of the Village needs to have mill work done. This area holds water as does the entrance to the dog park. Don advised he will have these areas milled and fixed.

Still waiting on the fence for the North parking lot.

In general, the hall is 85% complete, the roof, gutter and flashing are complete. Trim around the front door needs to be replaced and painted and just waiting on the new garage doors. Once these projects are completed the ceiling in the board room will be repaired and repainted.

The new dump truck bed has been installed and the truck is back in service. Waiting on parts for a few maintenance issues on the backhoe.

**TOURISM:**

No report.

**ORDINANCE:**

No report.

**FINANCE:**

We are 7 months through and on pace for around \$400,000 in sales tax. Everything is looking good per Trustee Goebel.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

The funds to be collected for the extended Business District #2 will start in July 2022.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Goebel made a motion to pass **RESOLUTION 21-27: Resolution appointing Mickey Jader to Interim Chief of Police of the Village of Hamel, Illinois.** Second by Trustee Isringhausen. Roll call: Otrembiak, Recer, Isringhausen, Goebel. All ayes (4-0).

Trustee Goebel made a motion to pass **ORDINANCE 21-020: Ordinance providing for the adoption of the amended Hamel Comprehensive Plan 2021 by the Village of Hamel, Madison County, Illinois.** Second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Goebel, Isringhausen, Recer, Otrembiak. All ayes (4-0).

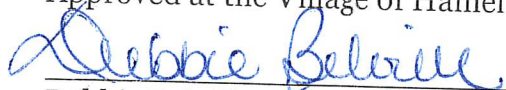
Trustee Goebel made a motion to pass **ORDINANCE 21-021: Ordinance amending Village of Hamel Ordinance 04-004 and providing for certain additional requirements related to backflow or backwater valves in the Village of Hamel.** Second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Otrembiak, Recer, Isringhausen, Goebel. All ayes (4-0).

Motion made by Trustee Goebel to move into Executive Session at 7:31 pm, second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Goebel, Isringhausen. All ayes (4-0).

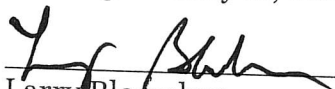
Out of Executive Session 7:51 pm

Motion made by Trustee Isringhausen to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm, all ayes. Time out 7:58 pm.

Approved at the Village of Hamel Board Meeting January 11, 2022.



Debbie Belville  
Village Clerk



Larry Bloemker  
Village President/Mayor