

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF HAMEL BOARD MEETING
Tuesday May 10, 2022
7:00 PM at Village Hall
111 South Old US Rt 66, Hamel Illinois

The Village of Hamel Board 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 Recer, Trustee Otrembiak, Trustee Behrhorst, Trustee Gorzny
 Absent: Trustee Goebel and Trustee Isringhausen

PRESENT:

Mayor: Larry Bloemker
 Village Clerk: Debbie Belville
 Village Attorney: Ryan Conner
 Police Chief: Terry Buhs
 Village Engineer: Bob Massa

GUESTS:

Nathan Hutson (MCC)
 Wendy Reinacher-Helig
 Nancy Schoen
 Steven Brendel
 Carla Crawford

CONSENT AGENDA:

Regular monthly bills, treasurer report, minutes from April 12, 2022. Motion to pass consent agenda by Trustee Gorzny and seconded by Trustee Behrhorst.
 Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Gorzny, Behrhorst. Motion carried (4-0).

MAYOR REPORT:

Mayor Bloemker welcomed Mayor Brendel and Board Members from the Village of Grantfork. They wanted to ask the Village Trustees their overall take of the comprehensive plan the Village of Hamel undertook. Where were specific questions regarding feedback from the Hamel residents, what type of steps were taking prior to passing the Hamel Comprehensive Plan, and if there was anything the Hamel Board would have done differently. The Village of Grantfork is looking into the process and wanted to reach out to our Village and get insight as to how this will go.

Mayor Bloemker discussed the Homefield contracts. These are for the streetlights and the Village owned properties. The solar at the park will help with the cost. There was a sufficient rate increase. At this time, the Village is locked into the current rate with Homefield. The Ameren rate will reset next month. The bidding for aggregation will be in September or October and then in January is when it will be decided to stay or get out of aggregation.

POLICE REPORT:

Chief Buhs reported there were 3 case reports generated for the month. Fraud at Love's Truck Stop, theft of a catalytic converter from the Central Cable Company, and a forgery at CC Shell station. There were 9 citations issued and 4 warnings.

PARK REPORT:

All the concrete piers have been installed at the dog park, benches and the main road sign have been installed. Volleyball court nets have been put up and the grading has been completed. New X-mark mower has been received and is in use. The battery for the main generator at the park needed to be replaced.

The digital display sign at the park, has been having radio unit issues. The sign is approximately 8 years old. New radio units are needed along with a new interface system to load the sign from Village Hall. Don will be moving computer components, camera equipment, wiring, and other components at the park and putting them into a cabinet with fans or air condition. There is a lot of expensive computer things that are stacked on tables with no air flow or surge protection. A surge protector has been ordered.

There has been base put down in the parking lot of the dog park. Sometime this summer public works will put oil and chip on the parking lot. When the lot at the dog park is done, they will work on the parking lot on the north side of Village Hall.

Motion to approve the purchase of a Venus bridge radio kit/interface from Daktronics, Inc. not to exceed \$2,930.00 by Trustee Behrhorst and seconded by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Gorzny, Behrhorst. Motion carried. (4-0)

WATER REPORT:

2022 CCR Report will be coming out. EPA inspection was done this morning. Everything went fine. Don will be checking into pricing for a handheld that will be used for new regulation testing. Bond Madison has bought the expensive equipment for the testing and if we get the handheld for the daily testing Don will be able to take our samples to them for the rest of the process.

There is an EPA Grant that Bob Massa said the Village may be able to apply for. He stated that one of the requirements is being below the medium eligibility for household income per state. Hamel is \$300.00 below, so we would be able to apply for this grant/loan.

SEWER :

Work continues on the project of raising the manholes on Hamel Avenue and Schroeder Avenue.

STREETS/STORM WATER REPORT:

Street repair list being complied. Banners for Route 66 will be up next week. Don discussed the drainage problems regarding state owned property and drainage issues from Cassen's Ave to the rest stop. IDOT is crack sealing from Hamel to Edwardsville on 157. The 2021 cost expenditures will be closed out this week, just received the last of fiscal ending paperwork.

TOURISM:

Rt 66 Bi-way Authority received a grant from the State of Illinois. Springfield for a neon park at the Illinois State Fairgrounds, gate 2. There will be 4 of the most historic and iconic neon's from Route 66. They are hoping to have this completed in about one year.

ORDINANCE:

No report.

FINANCE:

Done with 2021-2022 fiscal year. Treasurer Gehner will have year-end reports for the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**NEW BUSINESS:**

Grandview Farmseasement payment: Motion to pay 2022 easement made by Trustee Gorzny in the amount of \$336.00 and seconded by Trustee Behrhorst. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Gorzny, Behrhorst. Motion carried. (4-0).

Madison County PEP Loan: Motion to pay loan payment in the amount of \$16,376.59 made by Trustee Behrhorst, seconded by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Otrembiak, Recer. Motion carried. (4-0).

Motion to approve engineering agreement with Juneau for the water system improvements, not to exceed \$5,000 made by Trustee Recer and seconded by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Gorzny, Behrhorst. Motion carried. (4-0).

Motion to pass **RESOLUTION 22-6: Payment of reimbursable redevelopment project cost incurred by Love's Travel Stops and County Stores, Inc., pursuant to the Hamel Loves Business District redevelopment agreement and first amendment to business district redevelopment agreement**, made by Trustee Behrhorst and seconded by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Otrembiak, Recer. Motion carried. (4-0).

RESOLUTION 22-7: Re-appointment of Don Grimm, Superintendent of Public Works. Motion to pass made by Trustee Recer and seconded by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Gorzny, Behrhorst. Motion carried. (4-0).

RESOLUTION 22-8: Re-appointment of Debbie Belville, Collector. Motion to pass made by Trustee Otrembiak and seconded by Trustee Behrhorst. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Otrembiak, Recer. Motion carried. (4-0).

RESOLUTION 22-9: Re-appointment of Terry Buhs, Chief of Police. Motion to pass made by Trustee Gorzny and seconded by Trustee Recer. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Otrembiak, Recer. Motion carried. (4-0).

RESOLUTIUON 22-10: Re-appointment of Jennifer M. Gehner, Treasurer. Motion to pass made by Trustee Behrhorst and seconded by Trustee Recer. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Gorzny, Behrhorst. Motion carried. (4-0).

RESOLUTUION 22-11: Re-appointment of Bob Massa of Juneau Associates, Inc., Engineer. Motion to pass by Trustee Recer and seconded by Trustee Behrhorst. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Otrembiak, Recer. Motion carried. (4-0).

RESOLUTION 22-12: Re-appointment of Philip Lading, Village Attorney. Motion to pass by Trustee Behrhorst and seconded by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Gorzny, Behrhorst. Motion carried. (4-0).

RESOLUTION 22-13: Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Estimated Cost 2022-2023. Motion to pass by Trustee Recer and seconded by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Otrembiak, Recer. Motion carried. (4-0).

There was nothing further before the Board of Trustees, motion to adjourn made by Trustee Gorzny to at 8:00 pm, seconded by Trustee Behrhorst. All in favor, all ayes.

Time out 8:00 pm.

Approved at the Village of Hamel Board Meeting June 14, 2022.



Debbie Belville
Village Clerk



Larry Bloemker
Village President/Mayor