# MINUTES VILLAGE OF HAMEL BOARD MEETING Tuesday May 11, 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 was held at the Village Hall. All attendees were wearing face coverings during the entire meeting. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Trustee Otrembiak, Trustee Gorzny, Trustee Isringhausen, Trustee Recer, & Trustee

Behrhorst

Absent: Trustee Goebel & Trustee Salmi

## **OATH OF OFFICE:**

Newly elected Trustees were sworn in by Clerk Belville. Trustee Behrhorst, Trustee Recer and Trustee Gorzny.

# PRESENT:

Mayor: Larry Bloemker
Police: Chief Tim Connell
Public Works: Don Grimm
Village Clerk: Debbie Belville
Village Attorney: Phil Lading
Village Engineer: Bob Massa

#### **GUESTS:**

None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

# **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Regular monthly bills, Minutes from April 7<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 27th, 2021, and the monthly Treasurer Report. Motion to approve consent agenda made by Trustee Behrhorst and second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Otrembiak, Isringhausen, Recer. Motion carried.

# **MAYOR REPORT:**

We have residents in Hamel that are currently hosting chickens. To be clear, all Saddlewood Subdivisions and all Trotter Run Subdivisions have it stated in their HOA/ covenants NO chickens are allowed. For the rest of Hamel, they would be allowed if an Ordinance is passed. A sample ordinance was given out for the Trustees to go over, this will be on the agenda next month for further discussion. Village may want to work up a license so that people who have chickens will be tracked. Further discussion will be had at the June meeting.

# **POLICE REPORT:**

No new cases generated last month, there were 16 traffic stops, 10 citations issued and 12 warnings. Next month Officer Noah Mizell will be going to a full-time position. This will be a trial bases for now to see how the Department will work with 2 full-time Officers. The new squad has been ordered; it will take approximately 5 months. Since it will be 5 more months before the new squad, the tires for the 2015 squad had to be ordered, since that unit will continue to be used until the new squad arrives.

Chief completed his C.I.T Training with the State, which is the 40- hour mandate. The Vest Grant is active again. Chief will be applying for 3 vests. Half of Officer Ahlmeyer's vest may be able to be part of this grant, the other half was paid for by a donation from Mustache March for PD. The COPS Grant is open again; Chief will re-apply for this. COPS Grant pays for a full-time Officer for 3 years. There was a new camera installed on the North side of Village Hall, facing the parking lot. The first ordinance violation for the year was delivered by hand yesterday. This same person who is the landowner and landlord for property on Hamel Ave refused to sign for certified letters last year for grass violation. We will not need to notify him anymore this year regarding this grass violation. If the grass is not mowed, we will simply take pictures with a date stamp and proceed to cut the grass then issue an invoice for this. This was a notice to abate.

# **PARK REPORT:**

Ernst Heating & Cooling will be starting on AC units tomorrow at the Community Center. This should take about 3 or 4 days to complete. This is paid for with part of PEP Grant and part Environmental Grant.

Don has fencing bids for the dumpster encloser and the parking lot. Work may begin next week on the basketball court. Public Work will finish removal of the existing fence at the dog park, there is only a small section left to be removed. The receptacles for dog waste have been ordered. The pressure switch for the restrooms at the park finally came in after 2 months, it has been completed and installed. Work on the sidewalk at the dog park is coming along.

# WATER REPORT:

The internal cleaning for the water tower is complete. The mixing system in the tower is not working, Don has been working with Bond Madison, with break down for our part, it would be about \$16,000. Don will be starting the 2020 CCR Report. It will be ready to go the end of May or first part of June.

# **SEWER REPORT:**

Ameren Gas has replaced service lines and every gas main from 140 to 4<sup>th</sup> Street. There is a lot of patch work to be done and all the yards still need to be repaired as well. They are 99% done and should be out of town by Friday. The back-up pump from lift station #2 will need to be rebuilt in house. Don is putting costs together to have the manholes lined, this is due to infiltration issues.

# STREETS/STORM WATER REPORT:

The 2020 MFT final expenditures are being completed and the 2021 MFT cost application. Continued work on drainage for Cook, Wolf and Cassens Avenue. The dump bed has been ordered it will be close to fall when this comes in. This was purchases from Woody's. In general, the fence has been ordered for the Village Hall, also there will be a survey done of Village property next week. Don has been working with the State, looking at ditch cleaning. He will meet next week with IDOT.

# TOURISM:

Mayor Bloemker will be meeting with the Route 66 Bi-Way Authority tomorrow. This is to go over some programs they will be launching.

# **PERSONNEL:**

Trustee Behrhorst stated she will be reaching out to Clerk Belville this week regarding re-opening at the office.

## FINANCE:

The Village is on track for Federal stimulus money. We are waiting on specifics as to how this can be used and what type of projects it can be used for.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Mayor asked that Don get with Debbie to get a final punch list for Saddlewood Subdivision. These issues need to be addressed before this is turned over to the HOA. Mayor also suggested they get a list of subdivision/ convenient violations that need to be addressed with homeowners prior to the HOA switch over as well. All this information needs to be addressed and discussed with the developer, Gordon Voliva.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 21-11: Re-appointing Don Grimm, Superintendent Public Works.** Motion made by Trustee Behrhorst second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Behrhorst, Gorzny, Isringhausen. Motion carried.

**Resolution 21-12: Re-appointing Debbie Belville, Village Collector**. Motion made by Trustee Behrhorst second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Gorzny, Isringhausen, Behrhorst, Recer, Otrembiak. Motion carried.

**Resolution 21-13: Re-appointing Tim Connell, Chief of Police**. Motion made by Trustee Isringhausen second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Behrhorst, Gorzny, Isringhausen. Motion carried.

**Resolution 21-14: Re-appointing Jennifer M. Gehner, Village Treasurer.** Motion made by Trustee Behrhorst second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Gorzny, Isringhausen, Behrhorst, Recer, Otrembiak. Motion carried.

Resolution 21-15: Re-appointing Bob Massa, Engineer of Juneau Associates, Village Engineer. Motion made by Trustee Gorzny and second by Trustee Isringhausen. Roll call: Gorzny, Isringhausen, Behrhorst, Recer, Otrembiak. Motion carried.

**Resolution 21-16: Re-appointing Phillip Lading, Village Attorney.** Motion made by Trustee Isringhausen and second by Trustee Behrhorst. Roll call: Recer, Otrembiak, Behrhorst, Gorzny, Isringhausen. Motion carried.

Ordinance 21-005: Ordinance approving specific hourly rates of pay for officers performing certain detail operations. Motion made by Trustee Recer and second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Otrembiak, Recer, Behrhorst, Gorzny, Isringhausen. Motion carried.

Ordinance 21-006: Ordinance amending the Village of Hamel motor vehicle code regarding ruck parking prohibitions. Motion made by Trustee Isringhausen and second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Isringhausen, Gorzny, Behrhorst, Recer, Otrembiak. Motion carried.

Ordinance 21-007: Ordinance approving intergovernmental cooperation agreement between the Village of Hamel, Illinois and the City of Edwardsville, Illinois. Motion made by Trustee Behrhorst and second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Otrembiak, Recer, Behrhorst, Gorzny, Isringhausen. Motion carried.

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Ordinance 21-008: Ordinance providing for the use and regulation of non-highway vehicles within the Village of Hamel, Madison County, Illinois. Motion made by Trustee Gorzny and second by Trustee Behrhorst. Roll call: Grozny, Behrhorst, Isringhausen, Recer, Otrembiak. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Gorzny to approve Grandview Farms easement payment for 2021 in the amount of \$339.00. Second by Trustee Behrhorst. Roll call: Gorzny, Isringhausen, Recer, Otrembiak, Behrhorst. Motion carried.

Trustee Gorzny made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm, all in favor, all ayes. Time out 8:10 pm.

Approved at the Village of Hamel Board Meeting, held June 8th, 2021.

Debbie Belville Village Clerk

Larry Bloemker

Village President/Mayor