

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF HAMEL BOARD MEETING
Tuesday June 8, 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. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

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:

Nathan Hutson

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Regular monthly bills, Minutes from May 11, 2021, monthly Treasurer Report and Fiscal End of Year Report. Motion to approve consent agenda made by Trustee Goebel and second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Goebel, Gorzny, Otrembiak, Isringhausen, Recer. Motion carried.

MAYOR REPORT:

POLICE REPORT:

One case of fraud reported last month. CC Food Mart has moved to all pre-pay at their pumps. This will help eliminate the drive-offs. Total citations issued were up from last month, this was due in part to the STEP Grant Memorial Day Campaign.

Most of the items are in for the new squad car, waiting on a new portable radio. Tires for the older squad car have been installed.

Officer Ahlmeyer completed the Basic and Advanced Rifle Training course through SILEC, she got 100%. Chief will be going to Taser Instructor Course on July 12th, in Mt. Vernon.

Chief Connell has applied for 3 vests for the Vest Grant.

Ordinance violations are all in line.

Chief Connell worked up a FAQ sheet for the golf cart Ordinance. This quick reference sheet will be given to each person and a signed copy will remain in their file. The Village stickers will be made in

house as needed. After some discussion it was decided to place the Village sticker on the front windshield. Chief Connell will get a sample of a Hold Harmless sent to Attorney Lading for his review. This will also be given to each resident once they go through their inspection check list.

PARK REPORT:

The outdoor restrooms pressure switch came in, we now have a spare. The basketball court is 90% complete. The rims need to be raised by 4 inches. The striping will be done soon, and the fence is installed.

The fence for the dumpster enclosure has the posts in, the panels will be completed soon.

The fence is on back order for the dog park, grade is up to the concrete and the mulch beds are done.

The community center now has 5 new air conditioners and furnaces. The walk-in cooler has also been upgraded and repaired. The utility expenses at the park will continue to decrease with all the new upgraded and efficient units. The solar panels continue to pay off each month.

Rentals for the community center have drastically increased since the ban was lifted due to COVID.

Water fountains will be turned back on at the park as well.

WATER REPORT:

The mixer for the water tower is in. The tower has been cleaned inside and is completed. The maintenance cost will come out of the water tower fund. The 2020 CCR report will go out this month.

Don went over an arial map of the water main line in the Village. This shows our water main dead ends at the park and out by Gateway Bronco. This discussion was to explain where the dead-end line is and look at looping into the main and expanding the infrastructure. If the property by Staunton Road is develop the infrastructure would already be in place. In extending the main to loop back to the dead end, this will also allow for a service line to be ran to the dog park for water.

SEWER REPORT:

The infiltration issues are being worked on, putting together a cost list for manholes for this infiltration issue. Dirt work at the plant is continuing, once things dry out it will be completed.

STREETS/STORM WATER REPORT:

Concrete repairs will be in this year for MFT Expenditures. There are three main problem areas. The 2020 MFT final expenditures and 2021 MFT cost application have been completed. There will be some spot sealing and shoulder repairs in the older part of town.

Don advised the original fence agreement that was prepared for Andy Hodebecke regarding the fence was given to Mrs. Luster (new owner of the Creamery). This will allow them to see the original agreement and make any changes they feel they need to and send back to the Village Attorney, Phil Lading. They have only had the original agreement or 2 days.

TOURISM:

Route 66 tours are picking up, guided tours are starting to come through again.

ORDINANCE:

No report.

FINANCE:

Trustee Goebel stated this is end of year, so he will be starting appropriations. Hoping to have a report for next month meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 21-17: Resolution Estimate of Maintenance Cost 2021-2022 MFT (IDOT) Motion made by Trustee Goebel and second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Grozny, Goebel, Isringhausen, Recer, Otrembiak. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Hamel's portion for mixer cost/ Lowry Electric in the amount of \$12,224.40 was made by Trustee Goebel and second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Otrembiak, Recer, Isringhausen, Goebel, Gorzny. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Goebel for approval of change order #1 Dog Park/Court Resurfacing in the amount of \$ 3,675.00, second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Grozny, Goebel, Isringhausen, Recer, Otrembiak. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Goebel to approve the contractors' application for payment; DeLaurent Construction in the amount of \$55,651.50 (amount includes change order #1). Second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Recer, Isringhausen, Goebel, Gorzny, Otrembiak. Motion carried.

Bob Massa went over a side-walk improvement plan:

Install a cross walk at Meyer Ave.

New sidewalks from Dollar General to Hamel Ave.

From the Hamel Park to the Creamery- replacing the existing sidewalk

Mayor Bloemker stating this may be the time to look at re-adjusting Business District #2. He will contact Keith Moran to find out how a re-adjustment of the Business District is done.

Trustee Goebel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm, all in favor, all ayes.
Time out 7:54 pm.

Approved at the Village of Hamel Board Meeting, held July 13, 2021.



Debbie Belville
Village Clerk



Larry Bloemker
Village President/Mayor