

Village of Hinckley Regular Board Meeting Minutes September 6, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Godhardt at 7:10 PM.

ROLL CALL: Members present were Mayor Don Godhardt, Trustees Nancy Nelson, Dave Maroo, James Roderick, Steve Warner, Bob Albright and Drew Snedeker,

Other persons present included Village Clerk Rita Barnett, Office Personnel Carol Kerry, Village Treasurer Cindy Thon and Pete Wallers (EEI).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge to the flag was recited.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the August 15, 2011 Regular Board Meeting were presented for approval. The minutes were corrected under the Building and Grounds committee report, to show that an “extra sump pump” was in, and not a “backup generator” for the Village Hall.

Motion: Trustee Roderick moved to approve the prior minutes, with the correction. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Money Received: Nothing for discussion at this time.

Bills: The following bills were presented for approval:

GENERAL		19,306.70
POLICE		1034.57
ROAD AND BRIDGE		692.33
PARK PROGRAM		533.01
WATER & SEWER		12,463.92
WATER		5,205.05
SEWER		2,862.92
MFT DEPARTMENT		3,530.00
WASTER WATER EXPANSION		10,000.00
TOTAL:		55,628.50

Motion: Trustee Nelson moved to approve the bills as presented. Trustee Maroo seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

1. Attorney Andersson will attend in October.

EEI

Wells 3 & 5 Water Treatment Plant: Trustee Maroo requested that billing of the improvements be completed before the end of January.

Village Clerk Rita Barnett arrived at 7:15 PM.

Safe Routes: Pete Wallers (EEI) presented an updated map of the proposed improvements to the safe routes to school and discussed the proposed sidewalk, and resurfacing the existing bike path.

James Street Improvements: There was a discussion regarding the James Street drainage improvements.

Motion: Trustee Snedeker moved to approve the EEI bid for Copenhaver Construction, Inc in the amount of \$82,052.00. Trustee Roderick seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Trustee Steve Warner arrived at 7:28 PM.

COMMENTS FROM PERSONS PRESENT

Carla Sager, 600 Clark Street, Hinckley, IL discussed a problem with excessive water over-flow into her yard, causing her to add a third sump pumps. Trustee Warner stated that sewer lines will be put in soon and that should help remedy the situation. The water should run down through the culverts. The Village will look into it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Grounds - Trustee James Roderick

Progressive Energy Group (PEG): Trustee Roderick reported on the new energy quote. A representative from Progressive Energy discussed the pricing, and provided a handout of the energy cost reduction initiative and a residential aggregation update. Trustee Albright questioned if the two or three year plan was more cost effective. It was reported by PEG that the price will lower as the customer base grows.

Motion: Trustee Roderick moved to approve the power supply service agreement.. Trustee Warner seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Municipal Aggregation: There was a discussion regarding municipal aggregation with Progressive Energy Group. Trustee Roderick stated that Attorney Andersson was looking into the Ordinance. It was reported by PEG that the township would be governed by the county.

Motion: Trustee Roderick moved to adopt an ordinance to have a municipal aggregation of electricity option from Progressive Energy Group, for village residents. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Village Hall Backup Generator: Trustee Roderick noted that there was a correction to the monetary amount for the bid to be approved for the backup generator. The amount for approval should have stated not to exceed \$6240.00 instead of \$6000.00. There was a discussion regarding where the funds will come from. President Godhardt stated that it will come out of the General Fund.

Motion: Trustee Roderick moved to approve the Hansen Electric bid for the backup generator not to exceed \$6240. Trustee Warner seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Motion tied at 3-3. President Godhardt voted to approve the bid. Motion carried 4-3.

Economic Development - Trustee Dave Maroo

Nothing for discussion at this time.

Finance - Trustee Dave Maroo

Nothing for discussion at this time.

Parks and Equipment - Trustee Bob Albright

Dog Walk: Trustee Albright reported that he is still looking, and discussing the need for a dog walk park.

Halloween Fest: Trustee Albright reported that they are getting ready for the Halloween Fest. President Godhardt stated that Halloween is on a Monday, and the hours for the fest need to be set.

The board agreed that the hours should be on Monday, October 31st, from 4:00 – 8:00 PM.

Personnel - Trustee Nancy Nelson

Trustee Nelson reported that there was a Personnel Committee Meeting on August 29th.

Motion: Trustee Nelson moved to give Office Personnel Carol Kerry an increase in pay of \$.75 per hour, effective August 23, 2011. Trustee Roderick seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Streets & Alleys - Trustee Drew Snedeker

Sidewalk Repairs: Trustee Snedeker discussed the sidewalk damage near May and McKinley. There was a discussion as to how much the Village should spend on each residential sidewalk. Trustee Maroo questioned Pete Wallers of EEI, as to how much would have to be spent to make it cost effective.

President Godhardt requested that Trustee Snedeker put together an account to spend on sidewalks each year that need to be removed and replaced.

Motion: Trustee Snedeker moved to approve the bid from Schmitt's Concrete for \$4050.00 to remove and replace the sidewalk. Trustee Warner seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Water & Sewer - Trustee Steve Warner

Pete Wallers requested a committee meeting to discuss Well No. 4 before the next board meeting.

Lift Station Electrical Panel Replacement: Trustee Warner received a proposal for repair to the panel. He prefers that the panel not be made of wood, so he will have the proposal re-done.

Light Pole: There was a discussion whether Village needs a light pole at Donald and Christianson. Trustee Warner will look into it.

Sink Hole: Trustee Warner presented a bid from Niles Excavating for new drainage on McKinley and north of Hwy. 30.

Motion: Trustee Warner moved to approve the bid from Niles Excavating. Trustee Snedeker seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

TABLED ISSUES

There were no tabled issues for discussion at this time.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Nothing for discussion at this time.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Illegal Sump Pumps: President Godhardt stated that he will check with Office Manger Dawn Grivetti to confirm that the letters have been sent to residents using illegal sump pumps.

Water Shut-Offs: There was a discussion regarding the water shut-off ordinance. President Godhardt initiated a discussion regarding water shut-offs and fees. The Village can charge the minimum fee of 1,000 gallons of water, if they use it or not. The board agreed that Attorney Andersson should change the ordinance so that if the valve is shut off, there is no fee, but if the valve is turned on, there is a fee.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: Trustee Maroo moved to enter executive session to discuss personnel at 8:20 PM. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Members present were President Dan Godhardt, Trustees Nancy Nelson, Dave Maroo, James Roderick, Steve Warner, Bob Albright, Drew Snedeker, and Village Clerk Rita Barnett.

There was no discussion.

Motion: Trustee Nelson moved to leave executive session at 8:35 PM. Trustee Maroo seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

ADJOURMENT

Motion: Trustee Maroo moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

The next Regular Meeting of the Village Board will be Monday, September 19, 2011 at 7 PM.

Dan P. Godhardt, Village President

Rita Barnett, Village Clerk