

Village of Hinckley Board Meeting for April 6, 2009

President Pro-Tem Hubert called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Roll call showed Trustees: Todd Prellberg, Steve Warner, Dan Godhardt, Lee Luker, and George Hubert Jr. all present. President Joe Diedrich was not present. This established a quorum.

Trustee Luker made a motion to appoint Trustee Hubert as President Pro-tem in the absence of President Diedrich; seconded by Trustee Prellberg.

Motion carried 4-0; President Pro-tem Hubert voted present.

Other persons in attendance included: Jeffrey Lewis, Village Attorney, Dave Walker, Police Chief, Dale Youngers, Waste Water Treatment Plant Supervisor from TEST, Inc., Joe Moore, Supervisor of Public Works, and Kevin Bomstad, Senior Engineer, Engineering Enterprises, Inc. (EEI).

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes for the March 16, 2009 Village Board meeting were presented for approval. Trustee Prellberg made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Trustee Godhardt.

Motion carried 5-0.

The bills were presented for approval of payment. Trustee Luker made a motion to cancel the Village's subscription with the NAEIR program and to cancel check #4658; seconded by Trustee Prellberg.

Trustees voting yes: Prellberg, Hubert and Luker;

Trustee voting no: Warner;

Trustee voting present: Godhardt; Motion carried 3-1-1.

Trustee Luker made a motion to approve paying the remaining bills as presented; seconded by Trustee Prellberg.

Motion carried 5-0.

TOTAL OF ALL BILLS

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| General Fund | \$ | 7,196.75 |
| Police Fund | | 3,553.41 |
| Parks and Recreation Fund | | 280.00 |
| Water and Sewer Fund | | 7,699.01 |
| Payroll Fund | | <u>12,387.51</u> |
| Total: | \$ | 31,116.68 |

TOTAL OF ALL DEVELOPER ESCROW BILLS

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| Land Partners, LLC | | 9,771.75 |
| General (Joint) Escrow Account | | 51,973.93 |
| Royal Estates Subdivision, Unit 8 | | 15,817.29 |
| Weslan Corporate Center | | <u>100.00</u> |
| Total: | \$ | 77,662.97 |

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Lewis reminded the Board of the meeting with Benchmark Bank representatives held on March 10, 2009. He stated Benchmark bank has officially taken over Royal Estates development. Mr. Lewis received the Village's prioritized list of improvements from Kevin Bomstad, EEI. President Pro-tem Hubert suggested Trustees review the list and respond to Mr. Lewis if you have anything to add to it. The final list will be added to the agenda for the next Village Board meeting. Bank representatives will be invited to the May 6, 2009 Village Board meeting.

Attorney Lewis provided the Board with a draft Ordinance Amending Chapter 6 of the Hinckley Village Code to Add a Liquor License Classification for Special Event Retailer Use. After some discussion, Trustee Luker suggested the fee be increased and the license expire in less than 48 hours. Attorney Lewis suggested the Village include a requirement for a designated area for drinking during the special event. President Pro-tem Hubert suggested including specific hours and dates in the ordinance. Any other suggestions shall be submitted to Mr. Lewis. This item is tabled until the next Village Board meeting.

Attorney Lewis went on to state he has drafted an Ordinance Amending Compensation for Elected Officials of the Village of Hinckley. A copy was given to the Clerk for distribution. This item is also tabled until the next Village Board meeting.

DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS

Waste Water Treatment Plant Supervisor, Dale Youngers updated the Board on improvements at Well #4. Improvements are scheduled to begin April 20, 2009. RBC repairs will be made April 13, 2009. Mr. Youngers also provided a quote for valves for the treatment plant. President Pro-tem Hubert asked if replacement valves are critical. Mr. Youngers replied, no. Mr. Hubert stated the Board would address the issue at the next Village Board meeting.

Public Works Supervisor, Joe Moore reported the Public Works Department participated in needed training sessions provided by Mr. Al Thorson. He added the Department still needs pipeline safety training as well.

Mr. Moore further reported that drainage improvements have been made along Miller Street; a clean-out near 720 Meadow Lane turned out to be a buried structure; and electric service to Pioneer Park has been repaired by ComEd; however the Village may want to replace the electric line leading to the Shelter House in the near future.

Mr. Moore added that sealed manhole lids have bought the Village some time between floods; there are still 14-16 issues of manhole infiltration; and confined space equipment is needed for the Village to fix the issues which will be the cheaper option.

Mr. Moore also provided a quote from Big Rob's Garage for repairs to the Village-owned Ram truck in the amount of \$1,099.55. He suggested going to a state purchasing agent to get tires for the truck as well. Trustee Godhardt made a motion to accept the quote from Big Rob's Garage to make the necessary repairs to the truck; seconded by Trustee Prellberg.

Motion carried 5-0.

Police Chief David Walker congratulated officer Kittrick for his 20 years of service to the Village of Hinckley. He also thanked President Pro-tem Hubert and President Joe Diedrich for their many years of service to the Village as well. Mr. Hubert asked the Chief if he purchased an award for Officer Kittrick. Chief Walker replied he has not, but he will.

COMMENTS FROM PERSONS PRESENT

Ms. Sara Coronilla, of the 600 block of James St. asked about the standing water in her neighborhood. Trustee Warner stated more information will be provided during the Water and Sewer Committee report.

Ms. Nina Richards, 9950 Dolder Circle, stated her son, Jacob would like permission to film downtown Hinckley for his film class at Flashpoint Academy of Media Arts and Sciences, Chicago, IL. The Trustees were provided with letters of intent from Jacob Richards. President Pro-tem Hubert stated the sidewalks in the downtown area belong to IDOT. He suggested Mr. Richards contact IDOT for approval. Trustee Luker made a motion to give Mr. Richards approval from the Hinckley Village Board; seconded by Trustee Warner.

Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Steve Warner, Water and Sewer – Trustee Warner reported EEI has submitted a request for IEPA loan funds for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Project. EEI is also working with the railroad company regarding the flooding issue on James St. Kevin Bomstad, EEI reported they have surveyed grades, culverts and other hard data. He stated the six inch tile that runs under the railroad is not working properly. The Village needs to find an alternative outlet for water in this area. He suggested the storm sewer is the Village's best option. He further stated the Village's retention pond in the area is not handling the excess water properly. Trustee Luker suggested the Village provide mosquito control in the area until the water subsides.

Todd Prellberg, Streets and Alleys – Trustee Prellberg reported the Safe Routes to School Grant awarding is anticipated in early June. He also reported on bids received for the 2009 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Road Project. Three bids were received; two qualified and one did not based on the IDOT provision that all bidders must own their own asphalt plant. Mr. Bomstad, EEI stated it was clear in the bid packet. The Village could talk to IDOT to lessen the requirements; however the Village would then have to throw out all bids and re-bid the project. Bid awarding is scheduled for the April 27, 2009 Village Board meeting.

Trustee Prellberg stated the Village could use MFT funds for the James St. flooding improvements. Trustee Luker stated he would like to see costs for Miller St. flooding improvements. Trustee Prellberg replied the Village could not use MFT funds for improvements to Miller St.

Parks and Recreation – There was no report.

Lee Luker, Building and Grounds – Trustee Luker stated he wanted to discuss Rickert St. He would like to clear up ownership of the street. He stated a private party owns the corner. Ms. Grivetti, Village Clerk stated the Village owns two parcels of land that extend from Oak St. east for approximately 575 feet. President Pro-tem Hubert stated the Village should convey to the property owners along Rickert St. what part of Rickert St. is Village owned. Attorney Lewis stated the railroad company cannot deed property along Rickert St. to the Village for the purpose of widening the street. He stated he will put together further options for the Village.

Trustee Luker further stated he would like the Public Works Dept. to paint “No Bike Riding” signs on the sidewalks in the downtown area. Public Works Supervisor, Joe Moore stated, rather than painting the sidewalks, he would look into purchasing signs.

Trustee Luker also asked Trustee Prellberg if the Village would consider blacktopping the grass areas downtown. Trustee Prellberg replied he would look into it.

George Hubert, Jr., Finance & Personnel Committees – Trustee Hubert stated he will distribute a draft personnel packet. He also read a letter from the Hinckley-Big Rock School Board asking for Village Board attendance at their next Committee of the Whole meeting on April 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Elementary School.

Dan Godhardt, Economic Development –Trustee Godhardt reported he has received a draft of the Zoning Map from EEI. He will review the map and present it to the Planning Commission for further review. He will be scheduling a Planning Commission meeting soon.

TABLED ISSUES

There were no Tabled Issues.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

1. Water Rates

President Pro-tem Hubert would like a draft ordinance to revise the current water rate ordinance for presentation at the next Village Board meeting. Kevin Bomstad, EEI replied there will be two components: water rate and debt authorization notice, which requires a public hearing. Mr. Hubert asked if the Village could act on the water rate ordinance in the next month. Mr. Bomstad replied, yes, he should be able to provide the Village with a draft. Mr. Hubert stated he does not think he will have a loan available before May. He will re-contact all banks and prepare the next Finance Committee Chair.

2. Liquor License Classification for Special Event Retail Use

Previously discussed in Attorney’s Report

ACTING CLERK'S REPORT

Mrs. Grivetti reported on the money received since March 16, 2009 and the transfers for approval.

MONEY RECEIVED SINCE MARCH 16, 2009

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| Utility Tax-State | \$ | 2,567.26 |
| Income Tax | | 18,506.42 |
| Utility Tax - NICOR | | 17,498.14 |
| State Use Tax | | 3,123.04 |
| Parks and Recreation Program Fees | | 515.40 |
| Hinckley Lions Club/reimbursement for tire repair | | 375.00 |
| Recycle Bin | | 5.00 |
| Permit #09-04 (Beane/re-roof) | | 100.00 |
| Permit #09-06 (Baumgartner/window replacement) | | 100.00 |
| Permit #09-08 (J&J Partnership/buildout) | | 300.00 |
| Permit #09-09 (Keown/re-roof) | | <u>100.00</u> |
| Total: | \$ | 43,190.26 |

TRANSFERS FOR APPROVAL

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| To Payroll Fund from: | | |
| General Fund | \$ | 16,840.71 |
| Police Fund | | 16,827.59 |
| Water and Sewer Fund | | 5,003.81 |
| Road and Bridge Fund | | <u>3,979.80</u> |
| Total: | \$ | 42,651.91 |
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| To General Fund from: | | |
| Garbage Fund (loan) | | 2,000.00 |

Trustee Luker made a motion to approve the Transfers; seconded by Trustee Godhardt.

Motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION

Trustee Luker suggested cleaning up the lot downtown at 132-134 Lincoln Ave. He suggested moving the utility pole in the back of the lot to accommodate future parking; filling the lot and seeding the lot. There was no further comment from the Board.

President Pro-tem Hubert asked about the status of the Village-owned lot rented by Faxon's. Kevin Bomstad, EEI stated they will need the site empty by May at the latest.

Trustee Warner mentioned the sump pumps that may be hooked up to the sanitary sewer. He would like the Village to send letters to specific property owners. Trustee Godhardt asked if the Village has an ordinance that addresses this issue.

Trustee Warner also stated a sprinkler ban should be discussed this spring. President Pro-tem Hubert replied Trustee Warner should address it at the next Sewer and Water Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Godhardt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.
Adjournment was approved unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Hinckley Village Board will be Monday, April 27, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

George Hubert, Jr., President Pro-tem

Dawn R. Grivetti, Acting Clerk