

Village of Hinckley Board Meeting for May 18, 2009

President Godhardt called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Roll call showed President Godhardt and Trustees: Todd Prellberg, Bob Albright, and Dave Maroo all present. Trustee Steve Warner arrived late. Trustee Lee Luker was not present. This established a quorum.

Other persons in attendance included: Dale Youngers, Waste Water Treatment Plant Supervisor from TEST, Inc. and Kevin Bomstad, Engineering Enterprises Inc.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes for the May 4, 2009 Village Board meeting were presented for approval. Trustee Maroo made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Trustee Albright.

Motion carried 3-0.

The bills were presented for approval of payment. Trustee Maroo asked if the Village has paid all past due electric bills. President Godhardt replied the Village is paying approx. \$1,000 extra per month to cover past due bills. Trustee Prellberg made a motion to approve paying the bills as presented; seconded by Trustee Maroo.

Motion carried 3-0.

TOTAL OF ALL BILLS

General Fund	\$	16,188.80
Police Fund		3,341.09
Water and Sewer Fund		8,606.45
Road and Bridge Fund		37,261.08
Garbage Fund		10,841.04
Payroll Fund		<u>13,837.32</u>
Total:	\$	90,075.78

TOTAL OF ALL DEVELOPER ESCROW BILLS

[Not presented.]

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Monthly Treasurer's Report for April 2009 and Year-end Report for 2008-2009 was presented by President Godhardt. He reported the Village has a total of \$371,013.68 cash on hand. Trustee Prellberg made a motion to approve the report as presented; seconded by Trustee Albright.

Motion carried 3-0.

COMMENTS FROM PERSONS PRESENT

Mr. Bill Isabel, 240 May St. asked for permission to grade and gravel a portion of the parkway in front of his property to alleviate standing water. He requested copies of ordinances regulating the parkway. He was instructed to speak to the Village Clerk on Tuesday, May 19, 2009.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Todd Prellberg, Parks and Equipment – Trustee Prellberg reported the Pioneer Park Reservation Book is now at Village Hall. He distributed Park Advisory Board communication regarding the park reservation process. There was some discussion regarding checking the restrooms on Sundays following a reservation; the consumption of alcohol on public grounds and the length of rental times (by hour or by day). There will be a Parks and Equipment Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 3, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

Todd Prellberg, Personnel – Trustee Prellberg reported the Village is legally bound to pay employees who work overtime, even though the policy is not to allow overtime. Extra administrative hours may be unavoidable at the end of the fiscal year. There will be a Personnel Committee meeting Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at 7:45 p.m. at Village Hall to discuss the Village Clerk's duties.

[Open Chair], Finance – Trustee Maroo reported he is working on a new Appropriations Ordinance for 2009-2010. He has met with Village Supervisors. He suggested tax anticipation warrants may be needed prior to receiving property tax income. President Godhardt reminded Trustee Maroo to include outstanding expenses from FY 2008-2009 in the new Appropriations Ordinance. Trustee Maroo added he heard the local car dealership will remain open amid the recent dealership closings nation wide.

Dave Maroo, Economic Development – There was no report.

Lee Luker, Building and Grounds – There was no report.

Lee Luker, Streets and Alleys – There was no report.

[Trustee Warner arrived at 8:05 p.m.]

Steve Warner, Water and Sewer – Trustee Warner deferred to Kevin Bomstad, EEI. Mr. Bomstad reported he has not communicated with Mr. Swanson, owner of 625 James St. where several tons of dirt had been added to the property without a permit. Regarding the James St. flooding issue, the Village has received communication from BNSF Railroad Company allowing the Village to apply for a permit to do work on railroad property.

Mr. Bomstad also reported he will be submitting signed loan applications from the IEPA for the Water Works Project; and representatives from Benchmark Bank have informed him they have a contractor to work on the Village's prioritized items list in Royal Estates Subdivision.

TABLED ISSUES

1. New Valves for Waste Water Treatment Plant

Dale Youngers, Waste Water Treatment Plant Supervisor from TEST, Inc. indicated he is waiting for more information from different vendors.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

1. Planning Commission Appointments (Rob Judd, Mike Constant)

President Godhardt reported the Planning Commission terms will expire for Mr. Rob Judd and Mr. Mike Constant at the end of May, 2009. He suggested re-appointing them both to additional three-year terms to expire at the end of May, 2012. Both gentlemen are willing to serve again. Trustee Prellberg made a motion to approve the appointments of Mr. Rob Judd and Mr. Mike Constant for an additional three-year term to the Village of Hinckley Planning Commission; seconded by Trustee Warner.

Motion carried 4-0.

2. 240 May Street

President Godhardt reminded the Board that Mr. Isabel would like to grade and gravel a portion of the parkway in front of his property. He informed the Board that other residents living in that block have already done the same. Trustee Prellberg stated work in the parkway needs the approval of the Streets and Alleys Committee Chairman. President Godhardt informed Mr. Isabel he will need a permit from the Village. Trustee Maroo stated if the Village allows one resident to gravel his parkway, other residents might take advantage of the Village and do more. Trustee Warner made a motion to allow Mr. Isabel to grade and gravel a portion of the parkway in front of his property to prevent further flooding; seconded by Trustee Albright.

Motion carried 4-0.

3. Downtown Flower Pots

Ozzie’s Greenhouse has offered to plant flowers in the urn at Pioneer Park. They will also provide the flower pots for the downtown business district. They are requesting the Village water all the flowers. Trustee Warner asked how the plants were watered in the past. Trustee Maroo replied the Village watered the flowers prior to the Rte. 30 road re-construction. Trustee Maroo made a motion for the Village to water the flowers in the downtown flower pots; seconded by Trustee Prellberg.

Motion carried 4-0.

CLERK’S REPORT

Mrs. Grivetti reported on the money received since May 4, 2009 and the transfers for approval.

MONEY RECEIVED SINCE MAY 4, 2009

Income Tax	\$	10,029.85
Personal Property Tax (General)		1,239.34
Motor Fuel Tax		3,981.84
Sales Tax		8,699.10
Police Fines		2,832.08
Squad Car Acquisition & Maintenance		140.00

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Permit #09-21 (Hall/fence)	100.00
Permit #09-25 (Constant/fence)	100.00
Permit #09-26 (Wright/sidewalk approach)	100.00
Permit #09-27 (Marriam/shed)	100.00
Permit #09-28 (Long/brickwork-NAPA)	100.00
Permit #09-29 (Hauger/re-roof)	100.00
Reimbursement from TEST for labels	<u>15.44</u>
Total:	\$ 27,537.65

TRANSFERS FOR APPROVAL

To Road and Bridge Fund from:	
Water and Sewer Fund	<u>20,000.00</u>
Total:	\$ 20,000.00

Trustee Warner made a motion to approve the transfers; seconded by Trustee Prellberg.

Motion carried 4-0.

Clerk Grivetti also requested approx. \$8,000 be appropriated for the codification of all ordinances approved since 2004. She informed the Board digital copies of all code-related ordinances have been sent to the codification company and are available for review on their website with the codified ordinances, however they have not been merged into the existing codes neither on the website nor in hard copy (Municipal Code Book). The out-dated/repealed/amended ordinances still exist in the original book. Cross-referencing new ordinances is impossible.

DISCUSSION

Trustee Warner stated the James Street flooding issue is ready to go to bid. Trustee Prellberg replied so long as the Village is fixing James St. to solve a larger issue than just flooding in a flood zone. President Godhardt stated the James St. flooding issue is a result of run-off from areas north of James St. Mr. Bomstad added the residents are not flooding because they are in the floodplain; rather it is because the water is not being conveyed properly. Trustee Maroo asked for a cost estimate to fit it into the appropriations ordinance; and a search of any potential grant money available for the project. Trustee Warner suggested the Village's main funding recourse is through BNSF Railroad company.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Maroo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.
Adjournment was approved unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Hinckley Village Board will be Monday, June 1, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall.

There will also be a Delinquent Water Bill Hearing scheduled for Monday, June 1, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall.

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Dan P. Godhardt, Village President

Dawn R. Grivetti, Village Clerk