

# **VILLAGE OF HAMMOND BOARD MEETING**

## **Minutes**

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Village Hall, 105 East 1st Street, Hammond, IL 61929

Call to Order at 7:02 pm

Acknowledgement of videographer - none

Adopt agenda – Don made the motion to adopt the agenda, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chip. All in favor; motion passed.

Roll Call: President Marsha Burgener-here, Don Chenoweth-here, Kim Gee-here, Sarah Cox-here, Chip Moore-here, John Drummond-here, Scotty Hayes-here.

Others present: Mona Lowder, Melissa Miller, Mark Arnett, and Seth Downs.

Marsha made a presentation of \$1,000 to the Angie Parsons on behalf of the Hammond Community Boosters. This money will help the Boosters with the upcoming Sesquicentennial which will be held July 21-23, 2023.

Public Comment: Mark Arnett had questions regarding the changing of companies for garbage pickup. A rep from the new company, GFL, will be in attendance shortly to answer any questions.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of November 9, 2022 Board Meeting were not available-will approve those at the February Board Meeting. Motion to approve the December 19, 2022 Board Minutes made by Sarah with a second by Kim. All in favor; motion passed.

Financials: Kim made the motion to accept the financials, with a second by Sarah. Roll call vote: Don-yes, Kim-yes, Sarah-yes, Chip-yes, John-yes, Scotty-yes. 6 ayes; motion carried.

Village Clerk Report/Public Works Superintendent Report: Ronnie reported a couple of water lines had frozen but thankfully none broke. The storm siren is the fire department's responsibility. The storm siren should be moved to the fire department. Monticello is actually who sets the siren off. The ship date for the meters is now January 26, 2023. It will depend on the weather as to when the meters can be installed. Ronnie requested a new sample tester to have here instead of having to run to Atwood to use theirs. The cost of \$5,666 can be split between the Water and Sewer Funds. He has also requested a locator at a cost of approximately \$3,000. These funds would have to come out of the Water Fund. Ronnie invited the board members to tour the water plant and the ponds when the weather is nicer. Brenda updated the board on where she was updating the financials.

Eric Shangraw with GFL Environmental joined the meeting. He stated pricing will be going up. Bills from GFL will be going out with the current rates. The rates will gradually increase due to rising costs. He stated that they would require a 5-year contract that the Village could pick and choose what services they want to be provided and the cost of pick up would be based on those choices. The 5-year contract is required due to up front costs their company would incur. He stated the average monthly cost would be approximately \$33.35/month. The company is planning on moving to automated equipment so the driver would not have to get out of the truck. Therefore, the receptacle needs to match their equipment. They prefer no alley pick up due to their plan of going automated. If GFL bills the customer, it will be a quarterly billing; if the Village bills, it would be monthly. There will be no disruption in service.

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Kim made the motion to accept the resignation of Zoning Board President, Carla Dettling and the resignation of Building Inspector, Neil Dettling, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by John. All in favor; motion carried.

Ordinance #2022-02 will be reviewed by the Board and recommend necessary changes. There are a few changes that need to be made to the current water bill. The shut off date and the amount due after due date including penalty is not on the portion to be turned in with payment. This will be looked into further. Have Ronnie get firm pricing on the locator and the sampler and this will be voted on at February meeting. Check with Ed to see if his office has a sample ordinance regarding a Certificate of Occupancy. Sarah made the motion to open the four new savings accounts, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chip. Roll call vote: Kim-yes, Sarah-yes, Chip-yes, John-yes, Scotty-yes, Don-yes. 6 ayes; motion carried.

Executive Session: Kim made the motion to go into Executive Session at 8:31 pm with a second by Sarah. Roll call: Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Kim-yes, Sarah-yes, Chip-yes, John-yes, Scotty-yes. 7 ayes; motion carried  
At 9:25 pm, Kim made the motion to adjourn Executive Session with a second by Chip. All in favor; motion carried.

Chip made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 pm, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kim. All in favor; motion carried.

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Marsha Burgener  
Village President

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Debbie Ball  
Village Clerk