

VILLAGE OF HAMMOND BOARD MEETING

Minutes

Wednesday, July 12, 2023

7:00 p.m.

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

Call to Order at 7:00 pm

Roll Call: President Marsha Burgener-absent, Don Chenoweth-here, Kim Gee-here, Sarah Cox-here, Chip Moore-here, John Drummond-here, Scotty Hayes-absent. In Marsha's absence, Kim will be conducting the meeting.

Acknowledgement of videographer: None

Adopt agenda: Don made the motion to adopt the agenda, with a 2nd by John. All in favor; motion passed.

Others present: Mona Lowder, Melissa Miller, Lauren Molby, Tom Sanders, Seth Downs, and Debby Waldrop.

Public Comment: Melissa Miller asked if there was any place to go or open to the public if without electricity? Due to recent storms, the electricity was out for several days for parts of the Village. What kind of funding may be out there to help with these situations? Possibly check with the firehouse as they have a backup generator. Debby Waldrop brought up the problem with feral cats. Is there a solution?

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the June 14, 2023 Board Minutes made by John, with a 2nd by Chip. All in favor; motion passed.

Financials: Sarah made the motion to accept the financials, with a 2nd by Don. Roll call vote: Don-yes, Kim-yes, Sarah-yes, Chip-yes, John-yes. 5 ayes, 1 absent; motion carried.

Village Clerk Report/Public Works Superintendent Report: Receipt of payment on fine. Report for the Video Gaming for May 2023. USDA funds left need to be spent by September 22, 2023, or we lose them. Need to revise the Motor Vehicle Ordinance, the Abatement of Nuisance Ordinance, and the Zoning Ordinance.

Ronnie-The week of 07/24/23, installation will begin on the harder meters to be replaced. Has been doing a lot of storm clean up and pile clean up. Has already found several leaks with the new meter software.

New Business: Sarah made the motion to pass Ordinance #2023-03, "An Ordinance Making Appropriations for Corporate Purposes for Fiscal Year 2024", with a 2nd by Chip. Roll call vote: Kim-yes, Sarah-yes, Chip-yes, John-yes, Don-yes. 5 ayes, 1 absent; motion carried. Ordinance #2023-05, "An Ordinance Regulating Swimming Pools and Hot Tubs", has been tabled until August meeting. Sarah made the motion to pass Ordinance #2023-06, "An Ordinance to Regulate and Control the Keeping of Animals Within the Corporate Limits of the Village of Hammond", with a 2nd by John. Roll call vote: Chip-yes, John-yes, Don-yes, Kim-yes, Sarah-yes. 5 ayes, 1 absent; motion carried.

Old Business: Still in limbo regarding garbage carriers. A sample ordinance regarding gaming received from IML was sent to the Village attorney to draft a gaming ordinance for the Village.

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Executive Session: Sarah made the motion to go into Executive Session at 7:39 pm with a 2nd by Kim. At 8:17 pm, Sarah made the motion to adjourn Executive Session with a 2nd by Kim. All in favor; motion carried.

Action on Executive Session: Sarah made the motion to continue with litigation as discussed, with a 2nd by Chip. Roll call vote: John-yes, Don-yes, Kim-yes, Sarah-yes, Chip-yes. 5 ayes, 1 absent; motion carried.

Adjournment: Kim made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 pm, with a 2nd by Sarah. All in favor; motion carried.

Marsha Burgener
Village President

Brenda Sebens
Village Clerk