Village of Hammond, Board Meeting

February 10, 2021

7:00 pm at the Village Hall

Call to order at 7:00 pm

Roll call: President Debby Waldrop-here, Marsha Burgener-here, Kim Gee-here, Brad Frantz-absent, Donnie Chenoweth-here, Payton Messmore-here.

Others present: Roy & Melissa Miller, Paul & Pamela Thompson, Jason & Erin Waldrop, Brad & Ashley Rexroad, Chris & Cindy Kerns, Brandy Smith, Sarah Helfrich, Jordan & Amanda Pfeifer, Mark Arnett.

Public Comment given by Sarah Helfrich, Melissa Miller, Paul Thompson, Brandy Smith, Jason Waldrop regarding suggestions on keeping the community safe.

Don made the motion to accept the minutes of the January 13, 2021 Board Meeting, with a 2nd by Marsha. Roll call vote: Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent; motion carried.

Marsha made the motion to accept the financials, with a 2nd by Payton. Roll call vote: Don-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes, Marsha-yes. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent; motion carried.

Public Works Superintendent Report: Working on the EPA response to their recent visit, has been talking with the engineers regarding upcoming project, gave A & R a walk through of the water plant, and the blade for the new backhoe has arrived.

Village Clerk Report: Marsha, Brad, & I continue to work on the Abandoned Property Grant Application, insurance has been updated to include the new backhoe, blade, & unscheduled items in the pole shed.

Old/Unfinished Business:

1. Shawnee Communications Request: The recommendation of the Buildings & Grounds Committee is to move forward to bring fiber optic internet to the Village. Payton made the motion to approve the request, with a 2nd by Kim. Roll call vote: Payton-yes, Kim-yes, Marsha-yes, Don-yes. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent; motion carried.

New Busines:

1. Brenda is to contact LOCIS to see if there would be any additional cost to the Village to begin service with Court Money.
2. Street lights-Brenda is to contact Ameren, retrieve pole numbers, and draft letter for the okay for Melissa Miller to have a light put on her pole.
3. Cameras-Brenda is to get estimates of the cost. Also, look into any grants that may help cover any costs incurred.
4. Kim made the motion to approve Ordinance #2021-01, “An Ordinance Establishing Rates and Charges for Services Supplied for the Sewerage System and Water System of the Village of Hammond, Illinois”, with a 2nd by Marsha. Roll call vote: Kim-yes, Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Payton-yes. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent; motion carried.
5. Kim made the motion to approve Ordinance #2021-02, “An Ordinance re: Burning Within the Village of Hammond”, with a 2nd by Don. Roll call vote: Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent; motion carried.

Executive Session: Kim made the motion to go into Executive Session at 8:25 pm to discuss pending, probable threatened or imminent litigation and appointment of vacancy, with a 2nd by Payton. Roll call: Debby-here, Marsha-here, Kim-here, Don-here, Payton-here. Payton made the motion to come out of Executive Session at 9:08 pm, with a 2nd by Marsha. Roll call: Marsha-here, Kim-here, Don-here, Payton-here, Debby-here. Kim made the motion to continue litigation as discussed, with a 2nd by Marsha. Roll call vote: Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes.

4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent; motion carried. The appointment to fill a vacancy has been tabled.

Debby appointed Brad to be President Pro Tem in her absence and to be the third signature on the Village’s accounts.

Payton made the motion to adjourn at 9:15 pm, with a 2nd by Marsha. All in favor; motion carried.

Deborah Waldrop Brenda Sebens

Village President Village Clerk