Village of Hammond, Board Meeting

May 13, 2020

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, Mike Brown-here, Brad Frantz-here, Donnie Chenoweth-here.

Payton Messmore was sworn in to fulfill the vacancy, which ends April 2021.

Public Comment was given by residents James Slade and Bob Gibson, Jr.

Brad made the motion to accept the minutes of the April Board Meeting, with a 2nd by Kim. All in favor? Motion carried.

Don made the motion to accept the financials, with a 2nd by Brad. Roll call vote: Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Mike-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes, Brad-yes. 6 ayes; motion carried.

Public Works Superintendent Report: Jetted out plugged sewer, which had a mophead in the impeller. Fixed leak in a line that has had two leaks before. Would like to install a shutoff valve before winter to isolate any further leaks. The backhoe has had four flat tires due to nails being in the landscape pile. So far so good with the ultra-sonics in the ponds. Samsara-the equipment is partially installed. Harris Electric to finish. Unity Township will help with alley repair. Approximate cost $5,000-$10,000.

Village Clerk Report: USDA Update-Two title certificates back; waiting on two more. Purchase of Ball Diamond Update-Due to COVID, limited access to the courthouse has prevented more time to search. Per resident letter regarding a derelict house-steps have been taken regarding this issue. The current Golf Car/UTV Ordinance, Appropriations Ordinance, and Water Ordinance were given to the Board for review.

Brad made the motion to approve both reports, with a 2nd by Kim. All in favor? Motion carried.

Old/Unfinished Business:

1. Committee Listing-Kim made the motion to approve, with a 2nd by Mike. All in favor? 5 ayes, 1 nay; motion carried. It’s noted for committees to meet before the regular board meeting if there is business to discuss. Brad and Payton will do the golf car/UTV inspections for permit.
2. Clean Up Day/Dumpster-Both are tabled until June.
3. Paint Community Building-Mike made the motion to allot $750 for paint and supplies, with a 2nd by Brad. Memorial Funds to cover costs. Roll call vote: Don-yes, Mike-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes, Brad-yes, Marsha-yes. 6 ayes; motion carried. Discussion regarding the PT help. Due to early start date, will end time be early as well.

New Business:

1. Mike made the motion to pass the Declaration of Emergency, with a 2nd by Kim. Roll call vote: Mike-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes, Brad-yes, Marsha-yes, Don-yes.
2. Don made the motion to resume shut-offs and penalties beginning May’s billing, with a 2nd by Brad. Roll call vote: Payton-yes, Kim-yes, Brad-yes, Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Mike-no. 5 ayes, 1 nay; motion carried.
3. Landscape project: Table until June.
4. Mike made the motion to approve $3,772.77 for Vandevanter Proposal, with a 2nd by Kim. Roll call vote: Kim-yes, Brad-yes, Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Mike-yes, Payton-yes. 6 ayes; motion carried.
5. Mike made the motion to approve Policy #2020-01, “Electronic Communication Policy and Electronic Document Retention Policy”, with a 2nd by Brad. Roll call vote: Brad-yes, Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Mike-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes. 6 ayes; motion carried.
6. Mike made the motion to approve Policy #2020-02, “Internet Policy”, with a 2nd by Brad. Roll call vote: Marsha-yes, Don-yes, Mike-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes, Brad-yes. 6 ayes; motion carried.
7. No motion made to approve Ordinance #2020-02, “An Ordinance Regarding Face Coverings to Preserve and Protect Residents”. Does not pass.

Executive Session: To discuss pending, probable threatened, or imminent litigation. Brad made the motion to go into Executive Session at 8:38 pm, with a 2nd by Kim. Roll call: Marsha-here, Don-here, Mike-here, Payton-here, Kim-here, Brad-here, Debby-here. Brad made the motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:57 pm, with a 2nd by Kim. Roll call: Don-here, Mike-here, Payton-here, Kim-here, Brad-here, Debby-here, Marsha-here.

Brad made the motion to continue litigation, with a 2nd by Mike. Roll call vote: Don-yes, Mike-yes, Payton-yes, Kim-yes, Brad-yes, Marsha-yes. 6 ayes; motion carried.

President/Trustee Comments: Debby thanked Payton for fulfilling vacancy.

Mike made the motion to adjourn at 9:08 pm, with a 2nd by Kim. All in favor; motion carried.

Deborah Waldrop Brenda Sebens

Village President Village Clerk