

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Bethalto, IL

August 8, 2022

7:00pm

Council Chambers

The Village Board of Trustees met on the above date in the Council Chambers of Village Hall in a regular meeting called to order by Mayor Bost at 7:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance”. Roll call was taken by Village Clerk Sue Lowrance. Present: Trustees Dugger, Perkhiser, Tweedy, Keister and Mull. Trustee Lowrance was absent. Also present: Police Chief Mike Dixon, Village Attorney Ken Balsters, Fire Chief Brian Buhs, Zoning Administrator Randy Reddick, and Joseph Hughes.

Motion made by Mull, seconded by Keister, to approve Village Board meeting minutes of July 11, 2022, as printed. All members voted aye viva voce. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTAL SUPERVISORS:

Fire Chief Brian Buhs presented his report for July, noting 140 calls for the month and one structure fire resulting in a loss of approximately \$35k. The fire was contained to an upstairs bedroom. Buhs thanked the police department for their assistance with the fire call. There were no questions.

Police Chief Dixon presented the monthly activity report for July, with his department logging 597 incidents. The two new officers were released from field training today. Dixon reviewed several significant cases, and noted that the LPRs have proven to be helpful in over 50 cases. Dixon added that Facebook posts have led to several leads in many cases as well. Dixon commended Officer Gifford for his work at a dog fight case on Wesley Drive. Gifford secured the scene upon arrival and tended to a fallen resident who unfortunately died at the scene. The PD assisted with fundraising for the families involved. Sgt. Dugger has been a vital part of several arrests recently; Dixon commended him for his work as well. There were no questions.

Public Works Director Cheatham was unable to attend the meeting; Mayor Bost announced that work on the main at Audubon Acres was complete, grading and grass will be done later in the Fall. Prairie Street is complete and inspected. Bost added that residents along Prairie are responsible for mowing and maintaining the property between the new sidewalk and the street, in case anyone gets asked. There were no questions.

Zoning Administrator Randy Reddick presented his monthly report, noting 67 permits issued in July. Reddick updated the board on several commercial properties: Step by Step Daycare is waiting on some design work, Scooters work continues, Laux Brickhouse has completed their covered patio, Weathervane construction continues, Roma's has had foundation and footings poured for their expansion. QT is working on their gaming area, Dugan Tool & Die is expanding office and meeting space, Paslay Mini Storage on 140 is nearing completion and Prairie Street Storage is expanding as well. Code violations are down for July, likely due to weather; Republic Services now notifies us when a large pickup is scheduled. Reddick updated the board on nuisance properties. There were no questions.

GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no guests or public comments.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2022-08 A Resolution Authorizing Notice of Award and Execution of Contract on Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Cured in Place Pipe (CIPP) Lining Project was presented. This authorizes the awarding of contract to Insituform Technologies in the amount of \$5,997,923.00 for lining of the Village's sanitary sewer interceptor line. Nine bid packets were taken out, only two were returned. The other bid came in at \$6,727,671.00, which was 3.5% over the engineer's estimate. This money is coming through the County; up to \$8.5 million has been earmarked for this project. The project can start as soon as possible

and is expected to take a year to complete, although the contract itself is for up to 2 years. Trustee Tweedy asked about the bid process, noting that sometimes the low bid isn't the best; Bost stated that the low bid in this case is from the company who invented the process and has all the equipment on hand to complete the job. Tweedy agreed that was likely why their bid was considerably lower. There were no further questions. **Motion made by Keister, seconded by Mull, to approve Resolution 2022-08 A Resolution Authorizing Notice of Award and Execution of Contract on Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Cured in Place Pipe (CIPP) Lining Project.** Trustees Dugger, Perkhiser, Tweedy, Keister and Mull voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

ORDINANCES

There were no ordinances presented for consideration.

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR:

Village offices will be closed on Monday, September 5 for Labor Day. The annual Labor Day Homecoming carnival is set for September 2-5 in Central Park.

The Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals has forwarded their recommendation to approve the Final Plat of Hertenstein Subdivision, a mini subdivision off Airline Drive. This splits one parcel into two lots, and the commission has no issues with its approval. It was noted that the frontage road is to remain State property. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Dugger, to accept the recommendation of the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals and approve the Final Plat of Hertenstein Subdivision.** Trustees Dugger, Perkhiser, Tweedy, Keister and Mull voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT:

The July Treasurer's report was presented with revenues and expenses reviewed. Hughes noted that the HRA account had an unexpected expenditure of \$56,959.13. This was due to employee reimbursements for 2021 being higher than the estimated amount put into the HRA fund. The Village's ending cash balance was up approximate \$210,000. There were no questions. **Motion made by Tweedy, seconded by Mull, to approve the Treasurer's Report for July, 2022.** Trustees Dugger, Perkhiser, Tweedy, Keister and Mull voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee meetings will be held on August 22 at 6pm.

BILLS

GENERAL FUND

Motion made by Mull, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$142,254.05. Trustees Dugger, Perkhiser, Tweedy, Keister and Mull voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

WATER & SEWER FUND

Motion by Perkhiser, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$303,780.52. Trustees Dugger, Perkhiser, Tweedy, Keister and Mull voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

GARBAGE FUND

Motion by Mull, seconded by Tweedy, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$54,112.00. Trustees Dugger, Perkhiser, Tweedy, Keister and Mull voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 5-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on September 12, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Council Room of Village Hall.

Having no further business, **a motion was made by Tweedy, seconded by Mull, to adjourn the meeting.** All trustees voted aye viva voce. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Sue Lowrance, Village Clerk

Gary Bost, Mayor