

VILLAGE OF HARTFORD BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL ROOM
140 WEST HAWTHORNE
HARTFORD, ILLINOIS 62048
April 4, 2023
6:30 PM

1. Call to order.
 - A. Mayor Robertson called the meeting order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Board Members: the following members present: Mayor Robertson, Bernie Caldwell, Kristi Luebbert, Michelle Preston, and Bill Moore. Also, present Attorney Chris Donohoo, Village Clerk Carolyn Daniels, Police Chief Dan Geil, and Fire Chief Jarrod Horyn.
4. Establishment of a quorum
5. Approval of the Minutes:
 - a. Board Meeting: March 21, 2023, motion was made by Bill Moore, seconded by Bernie Caldwell to approve the minutes. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: four, Nays: none, Motion Carried.
6. Report from the Village Clerk, Carolyn Daniels –
 - a. Reminder it is time for all Municipal Officials to complete and file a Statement of Economic Interests. Please check your emails for the notification sent by Madison County.
 - b. Happy Birthday to Chris Fulkerson
7. Report from Mayor Bill Robertson
 - a. Motion made by Kristie Luebbert and seconded by Bill Moore to allow Mayor Robertson to sign the Electric Service agreement with Illinois Power Marketing DBA Homefield Energy. Service begins April 2023, and ends April 2026. The cost per kWh will be \$0.09014. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any further discussion. Per Mayor Robertson since businesses were not part of the aggregate with Constellation we had to sign with Homefield, who offers a business rate. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried
 - b. Mayor Robertson provided an update on the PEP Grant. The Village was approved to receive \$15,000. This will pay for a new water feature pump at the Tower and the rest of the money will go towards moving the Veteran's Memorial to the park.
8. Report from Attorney, Chris Donohoo – Nothing at this time
9. Report from Village Engineer – Absent
10. Report from Public Works Department, Doug Preston – Absent
11. Report from Fire Department, Fire Chief Jarrod Horyn –

- Per Chief Horyn the Fire Department was approved to receive the Edwardsville grant for \$57,000.00. He would like to purchase a CPR Device that is fully automated at an approximate cost of \$24,000. He would also like to purchase a Cardiac Monitor/AED multifunctional machine at an approximate cost of \$34,000.00. The only catch is the Village would have to pay 10%, which is \$5700.00. Jarrod would like to place this on the next agenda to approve paying the \$5700.00 as he feels the equipment is very beneficial specially with Lakeside EMS ambulance services being issued a suspension and with ambulance services having a hard time with getting paramedics.
- The Fire station is open their facility to Alton Ambulance service to use when they are stationed in town. They have a code for the Fire Station side, but not for the police side.
- The County Fire meeting is being hosted by the Hartford Fire Department at South Roxana Dad's club and the Board members are welcome to come. Doors open at 6:30 pm, and the event begins at 7 pm.

12. Report from Police Department – Nothing at this time

Report from Committees:

13. Safety Committee (**Moore**, Fulkerson, Caldwell) –

14. Ordinance Committee (**Aldridge**, Luebbert, Moore) –

15. Public Works Committee (**Caldwell**, Luebbert, Aldridge) –

- a. Motion made by Bernie Caldwell and seconded by Kristie Luebbert to accept the state bid from Thomas Dodge Chrysler to replace the current water truck. The state bid is for a new 2023 Dodge Ram 1500, 4x4 Pickup w/5.7L, V8 Hemi. The cost is \$37,127.00. The package includes a 5-year / 100,000-mile warranty. Mike has budgeted \$50,000 to cover the cost. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any further discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried

16. Public Utilities Committee (**Fulkerson**, Moore, Preston) –

- a. Motion made by Bill Moore and seconded by Kristie Luebbert to accept BSI offer to complete survey of all properties to comply with the EPA regulations. The Turnkey Service will include printing, mailing, and cataloging of all results. Customers will receive one survey letter. BSI will establish a customer URL and web form on BSI website for electronic survey submission, and a comprehensive report upon completion. The cost is \$4.50 per address. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any further discussion. Mayor Robertson advised the water system must be checked every year, and we have to be able to shut all the valves down in town. This is also inclusive of the lead the EPA is checking on. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried

17. Park & Recreation Committee (**Luebbert**, Preston, Caldwell)

- a. Motion made by Kristie Luebbert and seconded by Bernie Caldwell to go out for applications for the Splash Park employees subject to drug testing, and background checks. We will begin posting and accepting applications on April 10th through April 28th. Will open May 27th and close August 27th. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any further discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried

18. Finance & Public Buildings (Preston, Fulkerson, Aldridge) –

- a. Motion made by Michelle Preston and seconded by Bill Moore to approve Budget Ordinance 2023-O-04.

The anticipated budget for General Corporate Purpose - \$3,112,528

The anticipated budget for Anticipated Revenues - \$3,849,883

The anticipated budget for Special Appropriation - \$1,203,190

The anticipated budget for Special Appropriation Revenue - \$465,835

Mayor Robertson asked if there were any further discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried

Trustee Chris Fulkerson arrived at 6:51 pm

19. Allowable claims against the Village

- a. Trustee Preston reported vendor claims of \$55,969.76, plus payroll claims of \$32,245.25 for total claims of \$88,215.01. On motion by Preston, seconded by Luebbert, it was voted to pay the allowable claims against the village in the total amount of \$88,215.01. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Preston. Nays: None. Motion carried.

20. Citizens Comments – Nothing at this time

21. Unfinished Business from the Board –

- Mayor Robertson spoke to the new auditors they are approximately 50% complete.

22. New Business from the Board –

- Easter Bunny will be at the library Wednesday April 5th from 5 pm – 6:30 pm
- Currently there are 10 – 15 people signed up for CPR classes at the library.

23. Adjournment – 6:54 pm

1. A motion by Bill Moore, seconded by Bernie Caldwell to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. All in favor signify with saying Aye. Those opposed say Nay. Aye unanimous.


Carolyn Daniels, Village Clerk


William Robertson, Mayor