

VILLAGE OF HARTFORD BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL ROOM
140 WEST HAWTHORNE
HARTFORD, ILLINOIS 62048
September 5, 2023
6:30 PM

1. Call to order.
 - A. Bernie Caldwell, Presiding Officer, called the meeting order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Board Members: the following members present: Presiding Officer Bernie Caldwell, Bill Moore, Chris Fulkerson, and Michelle Preston. Also, present Attorney Chris Donohoo, Village Clerk Carolyn Daniels, Treasurer Chessie Brame, and Police Chief Dan Geil.
4. Establishment of a quorum
5. Motion made by Bill Moore and seconded by Michelle Preston to approve Bernie Caldwell to act as the Presiding Officer in Mayor Bill Robertson's absence. Ayes: Fulkerson, Moore, and Preston. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
6. Approval of the Minutes:
 - a. Board Meeting: August 15, 2023, motion made by Michelle Preston and seconded by Chris Fulkerson to approve the minutes. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.
7. Report from the Village Clerk, Carolyn Daniels –
 - Happy birthday to Tiffany Huff, Bill Robertson, and Ed Sebastian (Update Tiffany's birthday is in December)
8. Report from Mayor Bill Robertson
 - a. Bernie Caldwell advised board that the Street Department interviews will take place September 20th and will be conducted by Bill Robertson, Mike Daniels, and himself. Trustee Preston stated Mike Daniels would not be able to be there due to water conference. I advised the conference is the week prior so Mike is able to attend.
9. Report from Attorney, Chris Donohoo
 - Attorney Donohoo advised he is trying to track down the owner of 109 W. Elm, who recently purchased the property after receiving several complaints. He is still working on the Tent/Camping Ordinance. Should have it ready by the next meeting.
10. Report from Village Engineer – Not present
11. Report from Public Works Department, Ed Sebastian – Not present

12. Report from Fire Department, Fire Chief Jarrod Horyn – Not present

13. Report from Police Chief, Dan Geil – Nothing at this time

Report from Committees:

14. Safety Committee (**Moore**, Fulkerson, Caldwell)

- a. Motion made by Bill Moore and seconded by Chris Fulkerson to approve paying for 4 new tires for Chris Westbay's police vehicle at a cost of \$579.48, (tires have already been replaced). Ayes: 3 Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- b. Motion made by Bill Moore and seconded by Chris Fulkerson to approve paying for a new Interior Light Bar in Deanna Coleman's police vehicle at an approximate cost of \$799.00. Light bar is old and no longer works. Ayes: Fulkerson, Moore, and Preston. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.
- c. Motion by Bill Moore and seconded by Chris Fulkerson to approve purchasing duty and practice ammunition for the Police Department at an approximate cost of \$1,100.00. Per Chief Geil the actual cost will be \$1,195.00. Trustee Preston asked how the new simulation target practice is going. Chief Geil said it is working great. If anyone would like to come and test it, they are welcome. Ayes: Fulkerson, Moore, and Preston. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

15. Ordinance Committee (**Aldridge**, Luebbert, Moore) – Nothing at this time.

16. Public Works Committee (**Caldwell**, Luebbert, Aldridge) – Nothing at this time.

17. Public Utilities Committee (**Fulkerson**, Moore, Preston)

- a. Motion made by Chris Fulkerson and seconded by Michelle Preston to approve sending and paying for Mike Daniels to the Annual Water Conference in Springfield. The cost of conference is \$245.00, hotel cost is \$285.00, plus cost of gas and food. Ayes: Fulkerson, Moore, and Preston. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

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

With the approval from the board, I provided an update regarding the Fall Fun Fest and Hartford Parade.

- a. Fall Fun Fest will be held on October 21st.
- b. Hartford Halloween Parade will be held on October 28th due to the schools being unable to commit to both weekends. They advised us that it is too hard to get commitment from the kids for two weekends in a row. By holding our parade on the 28th we were able to get the bands, cheerleaders, and homecoming courts to come to the Hartford parade. Parade line up will be at noon and the parade at 1 pm.
 - I also contacted Riverbender and placed an ad in the newspaper about the Community Yard Sale.

19. Finance & Public Buildings (**Preston**, Fulkerson, Aldridge) – Nothing at this time.

20. Allowable claims against the Village

- a. Trustee Preston reported vendor claims of \$115,489.44, plus payroll claims of \$37,869.67 for total claims of \$153,359.11. On motion by Preston, seconded by Luebbert, it was voted to pay the allowable claims against the village in the total amount of \$153,359.11. Ayes: Fulkerson, Moore, and Preston. Nays: 0. Motion carried

21. Citizens Comments

22. Unfinished Business from the Board

23. New Business from the Board –

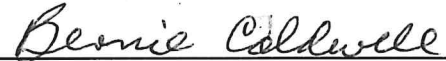
- Trustee Preston asked, “when people register their golfcarts are they given a list of rules?” Chief Geil stated, they provide a list of rules and regulations. Trustee Preston said she was asking because she knows only a handful of people are registered and she noticed 2 different golf carts driving on Hawthorne yesterday. Bernie Caldwell stated he has noticed golf carts driving on Delmar with no lights, which is extremely dangerous. (Update: golf carts are allowed to drive on Hawthorne and Delmar).

24. Adjournment – 6:40 pm

1. A motion by Bill Moore, seconded by Chris Fulkerson to adjourn the meeting. All in favor signify with saying Aye. Those opposed say Nay. Aye unanimous.



Carolyn Daniels, Village Clerk



Bernie Caldwell, Presiding Officer