

VILLAGE OF HARTFORD BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL ROOM
140 WEST HAWTHORNE
HARTFORD, ILLINOIS 62048
October 3, 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 Bill Robertson, Bernie Caldwell, Kristie Luebbert, Chris Fulkerson, and Michelle Preston. Also, present Attorney Chris Donohoo, Leadman Ed Sebastian, Police Chief Dan Geil, Fire Chief Jarrod Horyn, and Treasurer Chessie Brame.
4. Establishment of a quorum
5. Approval of the Minutes:
 - a. Board Meeting: September 19, 2023, motion made by Kristie Luebbert and seconded by Bernie Caldwell to approve the minutes. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussions. Ayes: 3, Nays: 0, Abstain: 1. Motion Carried.
6. Report from the Village Clerk, Carolyn Daniels – Nothing at this time.
7. Report from Mayor Bill Robertson
 - Mayor Robertson stated that the Village received the Camper Tax from 5 Diamond's. Amount received was \$13,000, 75% will go to the Fire Department and 25% to the Parks.
8. Report from Attorney, Chris Donohoo
 - Per Attorney Donohoo he has spoken to the owner of 109 W. Elm twice and the owner is supposed to get on it. The owner said, if he can not fix it then he will tear it down.
9. Report from Village Engineer
10. Report from Public Works Department, Ed Sebastian –
 - Per Ed the rock and chipping is complete. He wanted to thank everyone who came out and volunteered their time to block off roads.
 - Update on the Well – the company looking at it found a hole in the lining. They are trying to clean it out so they can reline it. They have not provided any further information at this point.
 - Issue with Dump Truck they put out for people- the truck is rusted out underneath and needs a new fuel tank. Cost will be approximately \$1800.00 to fix.

11. Report from Fire Department, Fire Chief Jarrod Horyn –

- Per Chief Horyn stated Banner has 80% of inventory in to do upgrades to the fire trucks, so he is hoping they will begin soon.
- They are teaching an EMR Class at the Fire house. Currently they have 5 students, 2 from Hartford, 2 from South Roxana and 1 from Roxana.

12. Report from Police Chief, Dan Geil –

- Chief Geil provided update on New Police Truck that is on order – it is in Texas waiting for parts to come in.

Report from Committees:

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

- a. Motion made by Chris Fulkerson and seconded by Bernie Caldwell to approve sending up to 4 Firefighters to the IFSI Training Conference the week of October 26th – 29th, we would be responsible for gas and dinners. Hotel covered by IFA. Ted, Matthew, Jake, and Jarrod will be the four attending. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Fulkerson, and Preston. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

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

- a. Motion made by Kristie Luebbert and seconded by Chris Fulkerson to adopt Ordinance NO. 2023-O-07 an Ordinance Amending the Hartford Village Code Chapter 29 Property Maintenance Code Article IX – Occupancy Permits. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Fulkerson, and Preston. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

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

- a. Motion made by Bernie Caldwell and seconded by Kristie Luebbert to approve the Street Department purchasing a new Brush Hog at the cost of \$2200.00. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Fulkerson, and Preston. Nays: none. Motion Carried.
 - Trustee Caldwell stated he has two requisition forms that he will place on the next agenda. The first is for belly broom for the sweeper cost \$637.00, and a fuel tank for the 97 Ford Dump Truck cost \$1800.00.

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

- a. Motion made by Chris Fulkerson and seconded by Bernie Caldwell to approve repairing the water leak on Robbins Road for \$15,000.00 the bid was provided by Haier Plumbing, who gave the cheapest quote out of the three received. The leak is at Delmar and Robbins Road. The leak is on our side, but we are currently paying Roxana for water. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Fulkerson, and Preston. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

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

- Trustee Luebbert stated the Fall Fun Fest is the 21st and events have been planned. Halloween parade is on the 28th. Next Beautification meeting will be held the 12th.
- Trustee Luebbert has a meeting with Phillips 66 on Thursday to discuss fines they were issued by the EPA over the Lube Plant. Instead of giving the money to the State of Illinois they would like to give the money to the Village to use at the park.

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

- a. Trustee Preston stated that open gym will begin Thursday, November 9th after daylight savings time. Hours will be 6 pm to 9 pm, and Jody Rudd will work.
- b. Mayor Robertson stated that we have school out of Pontoon Beach (BBNA Academy), who wants to rent the gym two days a week for basketball, and they will pay out of town rate. Jody or Renee will work.

19. Allowable claims against the Village

- a. Trustee Preston reported vendor claims of \$54,438.76, plus payroll claims of \$36,436.92 for total claims of \$90,875.68. On motion by Preston, seconded by Luebbert, it was voted to pay the allowable claims against the village in the total amount of \$90,875.68. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Fulkerson, and Preston. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

20. Citizens Comments

21. Unfinished Business from the Board

- Trustee Caldwell asked, “where does the money go that we receiving from gaming and how much do we get?” Mayor Robertson stated it is used for purchasing police cars, and we receive approximately \$3000.00 a month, of course that depends on what is taken in.

22. New Business from the Board

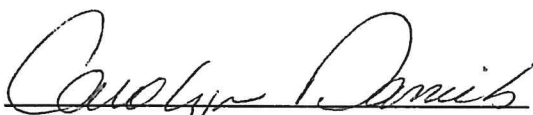
- Toys for Tots dropped off boxes today. One will be here at the City Hall and the other will be located at the police station.
- b. Motion made by Michelle Preston and seconded by Chris Fulkerson to go into Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c-1) to discuss personnel. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Luebbert, Fulkerson, and Preston. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

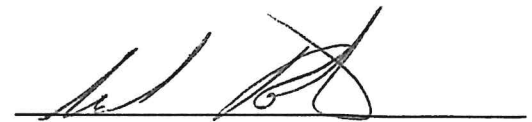
23. Reconvene – 7:00 pm

1. Motion made by Michelle Preston and seconded by Chris Fulkerson to go back into regular session. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. All in favor signify with saying Aye. Those opposed say Nay. Aye unanimous.

24. Adjournment – 7:01 pm

2. A motion by Chris Fulkerson, 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