

VILLAGE OF HARTFORD BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL ROOM
140 WEST HAWTHORNE
HARTFORD, ILLINOIS 62048
November 1, 2022
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, Chris Fulkerson, Michelle Preston, and Bill Moore. Also, present Attorney Chris Donohoo, Village Engineer Dave Godar, Village Clerk Carolyn Daniels, Treasurer Chessie Brame, Chief of Fire Department Jarrod Horyn, USA Ambassador for Pickle Ball Ruby Berghoff and Jorge Salgueiro.
4. Establishment of a quorum
5. Approval of the Minutes:
 - a. Board Meeting: October 18, 2022, motion was made by Michelle Preston, seconded by Bill Moore to approve the minutes. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried
6. Report from the Village Clerk, Carolyn Daniels – nothing at this time
7. Report from Mayor Bill Robertson
 - a. Motion Moore, seconded by Fulkerson to approve Resolution No. 2022-R-6 Declaring the exterior Premises at 106 E. Maple as a Health, Safety and Welfare Issue for First Responders and Residents. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried
 - b. Motion Fulkerson, seconded by Moore to approve Resolution No. 2022-R-7 Declaring the exterior Premises at 109 W. Elm Street as a Health, Safety and Welfare Issue for First Responders and Residents. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried
 - c. Motion Fulkerson, seconded by Moore to approve Resolution No. 2022-R-8 Declaring the exterior Premises at 211 E. 4th Street as a Health, Safety and Welfare Issue for First Responders and Residents. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried
 - d. Motion Moore, seconded by Preston to approve Resolution No. 2022-R-9 for the 2023 Annual MFT Street Maintenance Program by SMS Engineers in the amount of \$138,161.60. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Trustee Caldwell raised question if amount is enough? Per Dave Godar they perform an exercise where we check balance and what needs to be done during the year, which helps them determine the amount to request. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried

- e. Motion Fulkerson, seconded by Moore to approve resolution 2022-R-10 Resolution Authorizing and Directing the filing of a request to Intervene in Madison County Board of Review Hearing for Tax Year 2022. Phillip 66 is asking for a 71% cut in tax assessment on property. They lost the request for 48% reduction last year. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Moore, Preston. Nays: None. Motion Carried
8. Report from Attorney, Chris Donohoo – Attorney Donohoo asked if there were any questions regarding the resolutions on the three properties. This is the first step to get the properties condemned or allow the Village access to the properties if the property owners do not follow through on making improvements. Process will take approximately 90 days. Regarding the 2022-R-10 resolution this is the same process as last year. The process saved the Village \$143,000.00 last year.
9. Report from Village Engineer – nothing at this time
10. Report from Public Works Department, Doug Preston – Absent
 - Per Mayor Robertson all summer help was released as of today.
11. Report from Fire Department, Fire Chief Jarrod Horyn –
 - Looking into missing tables at the gym
 - All radios are in and installed in the trucks
 - Fire Department would like to purchase CPR equipment. Approximate cost \$3500. Will place on next agenda
 - Jarrod, Jake Sanders, and Carrie are all CPR certified, so he would like to offer all employees of the Village a class on CPR
 - Fire Department has received their first payments from fire billing. Received \$600, approximately \$6000 outstanding
12. Report from Police Department, Police Chief Dan Geil – absent

Report from Committees:

13. Safety Committee (**Moore**, Fulkerson, Caldwell) - nothing at this time
14. Ordinance Committee (**Aldridge**, Luebbert, Moore) - nothing at this time.
15. Public Works Committee (**Caldwell**, Luebbert, Aldridge) – nothing at this time
 - Per Mayor Robertson we have MFT money to use toward renting a brush hog 3 times next year to knock down weeds along certain areas to keep them looking nice.
16. Public Utilities Committee (**Fulkerson**, Moore, Preston) –
 - Per Mayor Robertson all meters have been installed
17. Park & Recreation Committee (**Luebbert**, Preston, Caldwell) –
 - Per Mayor Robertson Fall Fun Festival seemed to be a hit. 22 children were present for movie
18. Finance & Public Buildings (**Preston**, Fulkerson, Aldridge) –
 - Trustee Preston will be looking into ordering new basketballs and volleyballs for Hartford gym, cost approximately \$100.00

19. Allowable claims against the Village

- a. Trustee Preston reported vendor claims of \$96,150.17, plus payroll claims of \$36,030.16 for total claims of \$132,180.33. On motion by Preston, seconded by Moore, it was voted to pay the allowable claims against the village in the total amount of \$132,180.33. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Moore, and Preston. Nays: None. Motion carried.

20. Citizens Comments – USA Ambassador of Pickle Ball Ruby Berghoff and Jorge Salgueiro addressed the board regarding bringing Pickle Ball to the gym two nights per week. Pickle Ball is a combination badminton, tennis and ping pong. It started when older tennis players were no longer able to play tennis. They have approximately 150 members in local area, utilizing outdoor facilities and indoor facilities. They saw Hartford has a nice gym and after looking at the gym they determined there is room for three courts. The taping will not affect other sports taking place in the gym. The Village will need to buy supplies approximate cost of \$500.00. Mayor Robertson asked they provide us with a list of equipment needs, cost and overall investment details. Mrs. Berghoff will provide information and will assist with applying for a grant to help cover some of the cost. They also charge per person to cover any rental cost. Mayor Robertson advised we can place on next agenda once we review details.

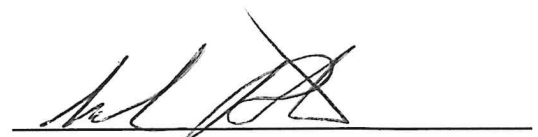
21. Unfinished Business from the Board – nothing at this time

22. New Business from the Board – nothing at this time

23. Adjournment – 7:05 pm

1. A motion by Moore, seconded by Fulkerson 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