

VILLAGE OF HARTFORD BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL ROOM
140 WEST HAWTHORNE
HARTFORD, ILLINOIS 62048
April 5, 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, Carolyn Daniels, Chris Fulkerson, Kristie Luebbert, Bill Moore, and Michelle Prickett. Also, present Attorney Chris Donohoo, Village Clerk Nancy Thornburgh, Village Treasurer Chessie Brame, Police Lieutenant Dan Geil, Asst. Fire Chief Ted Luebbert, and Water Clerk Francy Martin. Guest: Jonathan Brown and Jeff Glunt.
4. Establishment of a quorum
5. Approval of the Minutes:
 - a. Board Meeting: March 15, 2022, motion was made by Caldwell; seconded by Luebbert to approve the minutes. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays: None Motion Carried
6. Report from the Village Clerk, Nancy Thornburgh
 - a. Reported the First Baptist Church in Hartford was going to have a door-to-door food drive but, have decided not do the drive at this time. They may have something else in the future.
7. Report from Mayor Bill Robertson
 - a. Mayor read the Proclamation that was presented by Senator Rachelle Crowe to Hartford, Illinois, congratulating the Village on their Centennial.
8. Report from Attorney, Chris Donohoo
 - o Still waiting on South Roxana Fire Protection District regarding the annexation before moving forward. Luebbert suggested maybe a deadline may have to be set to be able to move forward with the annexation. Chris stated that could happen.
 - o Chris wanted to inform the Board Members regarding Dollar General location which is currently one (1) parcel and it needs to be split into two(2) parcels making the property surplus and go out for bids. Ads will need to be run in the paper and resolution will need to be passed.
9. Report from Village Engineer – Absent
10. Report from Public Works Department, Doug Preston - Absent
11. Report from Fire Department, Asst. Fire Chief Ted Luebbert
 - o Informed the Board Members the Fire Department have voted on a new Fire Fighter and his name should be on the Agenda to be approved tonight.

12. Report from Police Department, Police Lieutenant Dan Geil - nothing at this time.

Report from Committees:

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

a. Motion was made by Moore, seconded by Caldwell; to hire Silas Cox as a Volunteer Fire Fighter subject to background check, physical, and drug test. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays: None Motion Carried.

b. Motion was made by Moore, seconded by Caldwell; to hire Alan Dixon as Animal Control Officer subject to background check, physical, and drug test. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays; None Motion Carried.

14. Ordinance Committee (**Daniels**, Luebbert, Moore) – nothing at this time.

15. Public Works Committee (**Caldwell**, Luebbert, Daniels)

a. Motion was made by Caldwell, seconded by Luebbert; to purchase 110 gallons of Mosquito Spray from GL Downs cost \$5,198.70. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays: None Motion Carried.

b. Motion was made by Caldwell, seconded by Moore; to hire Robert Preston as part-time labor for the Street Department subject to background check, physical, and drug test. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays: None Motion Carried

16. Public Utilities Committee (**Fulkerson**, Moore, Prickett) – nothing at this time.

17. Parks & Recreation Committee (**Luebbert**, Prickett, Caldwell)

a. Motion was made by Luebbert, seconded by Moore; to accept application for part-time Splash Pad employees subject to background check and drug test. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays: None Motion Carried.

b. Motion was made by Luebbert, seconded by Caldwell; to open the Splash Pad on Friday May 20, 2022 from Noon to Five. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays: None Motion Carried.

c. Motion was made by Luebbert, seconded by Moore; to hire Kaleb Harrop part-time for Park Maintenance subject to background check, physical, and drug test. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Abstain: Daniels Nays: None Motion Carried

18. Finance & Public Buildings (**Prickett**, Daniels, Fulkerson)

a. Motion was made by Luebbert, seconded by Moore; to approve the Ameren Energy Efficiency Program for 7 areas within the Village cost \$5,937.00. Mayor Robertson asked if there were any discussion. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays: None Motion Carried

19. Allowable claims against the Village

- a. Trustee Prickett reported vendor claims of \$78,011.16 plus payroll claims of \$34,113.79 for total claims of \$112,124.95. On motion of Prickett, seconded by Caldwell, it was voted to pay the allowable claims against the village in the total amount of \$112,124.95. Ayes: Caldwell, Daniels, Fulkerson, Luebbert, Moore, and Prickett. Nays: None. Motion carried.

20. Citizens Comments

- Jonathan Brown is trying to purchase 404 N. Delmar contract for deed from Attorney William Miller to be used for a towing and repair business. Currently there is a car on the property that needs to be removed and Jonathan Brown is having a hard time getting the vehicle moved by property owner. The Village Attorney Chris Donohoo will reach out to the property owner to see why the car has not been removed from the property and see what can be done.

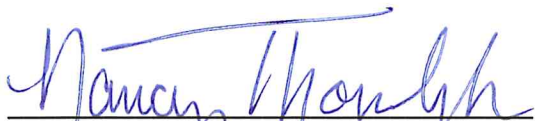
21. Unfinished Business from the Board – nothing at this time.

22. New Business from the Board

- Chris Fulkerson talked about the water bill at 460 S. Market. The owner of the property called in December 2021 and had the water account placed as inactive. Apparently now water lines have broken resulting in a water bill of \$9,008.10. The property owner stated she will contact her Attorney. The Mayor requested our Attorney Chris Donohoo to handle the issue moving forward.
- Michelle Prickett asked about white vehicle at the end of town near Robins Road. The Police Department is aware of the vehicle which is on private property owned by Ameren; they are aware.

23. Adjournment - 6:55pm

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.


Nancy Thornburgh, Village Clerk


William Robertson, Mayor