

**VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL ROOM  
140 WEST HAWTHORNE STREET  
HARTFORD, ILLINOIS 62048  
December 18, 2018  
6:30 PM**

1. Mayor Hickerson called the Village Board to order at 6:30 PM.
  2. Roll Call of Board Members
    - A. On roll call, the following trustees were present: Clinton Caldwell, Robert Cheatham, Heather Flanigan, Chris Fulkerson, Jamie Harrop and Michelle Prickett.
    - B. Also present were: Village Attorney Chris Donohoo, Police Chief Brandon Flanigan, Sgt. Dan Geil, Gina Lewis, Deputy Clerks Emme Flanigan and Jody Rudd, and Village Clerk Chessie Brame.
  3. Pledge to the Flag
  4. Establishment of a quorum
  5. Approval of the Minutes: 12/4/2018
    - A. On motion of Caldwell, seconded by Harrop, it was voted to approve the 12/04/2018 minutes as recorded by the clerk. Ayes: Caldwell, Cheatham, Flanigan, Fulkerson, Harrop and Prickett. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
  6. Report from Village Clerk: Nothing to report.
  7. Report from Mayor Hickerson
    - The Mayor wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and hopes for a happy and prosperous 2019.
    - A. Mayor Hickerson asked for a motion to make West Second Street a no parking zone from the school garden East to Delmar on the South side of the street. On motion of Cheatham, seconded by Prickett, it was voted to make West Second Street a no parking zone on the South side of the street from the school garden East to Delmar. Ayes: Caldwell, Cheatham, Flanigan, Fulkerson, Harrop and Prickett. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
    - Signs have already been made and will be put up between Christmas break and New Years. The Mayor will notify Mrs. Bouillon tomorrow, December 19<sup>th</sup>, to have flyers sent home with the kids.
  8. Report from Attorney, Chris Donohoo: Nothing to report.
  9. Report from Village Engineer (Absent): Nothing to report.
  10. Report from Fire Department, Chief Jarrod Horyn (Absent): Nothing to report.
  11. Report from Police Department, Chief Brandon Flanigan: Nothing to report.
  12. Report from Public Works Department, Doug Preston (Absent): Nothing to report.
- Report from Committees:**
13. **Safety Committee (Harrop, Cheatham, Prickett):** Nothing to report.
  14. **Ordinance Committee (Prickett, Harrop, Caldwell):** Nothing to report.
  15. **Public Works Committee (Fulkerson, Flanigan, Cheatham):** Nothing to report.
  16. **Public Utilities Committee (Cheatham, Caldwell, Fulkerson)**
    - A. Trustee Cheatham says the Water Plant needs a new 4" Compound Meter (Valero Meter) which will cost \$3,000. He claims that the meter they are wanting to replace hasn't worked since the beginning of last summer. On motion of Cheatham, seconded by Caldwell, it was voted to pay the amount of \$3,000 at the Water Plant for the 4" Compound Meter (Valero Meter). Ayes: Caldwell, Cheatham, Flanigan, Fulkerson, Harrop and Prickett. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.

- Trustee Cheatham also wanted to mention that the clear tank EVCO National, Inc. painted and did repairs on the base of, they now want to do the upper part of it all the way up to the upper floor in the amount, not to exceed, \$6,000. The Mayor wanted to add that there were a lot of things in the Water Plant that needed to be painted and he believes this will take care of what is left and that after this we should be in good shape for a while.
- Trustee Cheatham added that when he was at the Water Plant the other day, they mentioned possibly taking the big lights out and putting LED's in, which will save in the amount of electricity they use. Mayor Hickerson said to let Dana know to go ahead and do the painting and repairs.
- Trustee Cheatham wanted to thank the Christmas Carolers for singing around town last night, especially to the ones who came to his street because they usually don't.

**17. Parks & Recreation Committee (Caldwell, Fulkerson, Flanigan)**

- Trustee Caldwell asked for ideas on how to get ball teams to come and play on our diamonds at the park. The Mayor wonders if we may have overpriced the diamonds for games or if it's simply because there aren't many teams playing in the area anymore. Trustee Flanigan suggests that it may be because the fields aren't playable due to the big clumps of dirt and grass growing in the infield and the holes in the outfield. It was also added that the dugouts are in terrible condition. She knows of people who need a practice space and would have games and tournaments at our fields if these problems were fixed. Trustee Prickett proposes next year we should look into improving the dugouts.
- Trustee Caldwell wanted to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

**18. Finance & Public Buildings (Flanigan, Prickett, Harrop)**

- A. Trustee Flanigan relayed the message from Treasurer Sue Budde that we have an Investment Policy which is something that needs to be updated annually. On motion of Flanigan, seconded by Prickett, it was voted to approve the updated Investment Policy, with the effective date being December 18, 2018. Ayes: Caldwell, Cheatham, Flanigan, Fulkerson, Harrop and Prickett. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.

**19. Allowable claims against the Village**

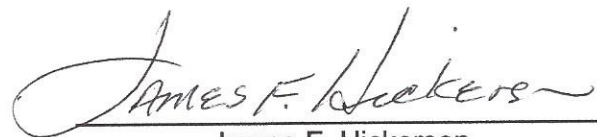
- A. Trustee Flanigan advised that the village had vendor claims of \$30,520.98, plus payroll claims of \$35,791.52, for total claims of \$66,312.50. On motion of Flanigan, seconded by Cheatham, it was voted to pay the allowable claims against the Village in the total amount of \$66,312.50. Ayes: Caldwell, Cheatham, Flanigan, Fulkerson, Harrop and Prickett. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.

**20. Citizens Comments**

- Resident Gina Lewis asked if Mayor Hickerson and Attorney Chris Donohoo contacted APEX yet. Attorney Donohoo requested a list of the complaints and the addresses of the houses, so that he can write a letter to APEX.
- Resident Gina Lewis also wanted to wish everybody a Merry Christmas.

21. New Business from the Board: Nothing to report.

22. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.



James F. Hickerson  
Village President



Emme Flanigan  
Deputy Village Clerk, Emme M. Flanigan