

MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HARTFORD,
MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS HELD ON ZOOM
AT 6:30 P.M. ON THE
19th Day of January 2021


1. Mayor Hickerson called the Village Board to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Board Members
 - A. On roll call, the following Board Members were present: Clinton Caldwell, Chris Fulkerson, Jamie Harrop, Kristie Luebbert, Michelle Prickett, and William Robertson.
 - B. Also present were: Village Attorney Chris Donohoo, Village Clerk Emme Flanigan, Village Treasurer Chessie Brame, Police Chief Brandon Flanigan, and Officer Tyler Gallaher.
4. Establishment of a quorum
5. Approval of the Minutes: 1/5/2021
 - A. On motion of Robertson, seconded by Caldwell, it was voted to approve the 1/5/2021 minutes as recorded by the clerk. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
6. Report from Village Clerk: Nothing to report.
7. Report from Mayor Hickerson
 - A. The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the "Village of Hartford Service Agreement with Phillips 66." This is the agreement that allows the Village to charge for Police callouts for crane crossings at Route 111 and for Administrative Payroll Processing. On motion of Robertson, seconded by Fulkerson, it was voted to approve the Service Agreement with Phillips 66. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
 - B. Mayor Hickerson informed the Board that Michael Daniels has his required amount of hours for Water Operator in Charge. Daniels is awaiting his certificate which is in the mail. As per the May appointments of 2020-2021, it was stated Michael Daniels would then be appointed Operator in Charge when his hours were completed. The Mayor asked for a motion to appoint Michael Daniels Water Operator in Charge when his certificate arrives. On motion of Caldwell, seconded by Fulkerson, it was voted to appoint Michael Daniels Water Operator in Charge when his certificate arrives. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
 - C. The Mayor asked for a motion on water shutoffs and asking customers to make payment arrangements for those who are behind. At this time there are 6 people on the shutoff list that were on there 2 weeks ago. Two of the people have started making payments. Attorney Donohoo informed the Board that he spoke with the Illinois Municipal League and was told there are a couple of options on what the village can do in this situation. One option is to shut the water off for people who haven't paid like normal. The second option is to issue a moratorium like the state and some other municipalities. The third option, which is encouraged, is to work out some type of payment plan with the people who still owe. On motion of Caldwell, seconded by Prickett, it was voted to do water shutoffs and ask customers to make payment arrangements if they are behind. Ayes: Caldwell, Harrop, and Prickett. Nays: None. Present: Fulkerson, Luebbert, and Robertson. Motion carried. Attorney Donohoo said that someone needs to contact the people on the shutoff list to let them know what the Board decided.
8. Report from Attorney, Chris Donohoo
 - Attorney Donohoo informed the Board that he received an email stating that the owners of Coleman's Campers would like to buy the property south of the Tower as well. They would like to split it into two lots, the east and west side of the highway. The owners' intent is to buy that parcel, split it, annex the entire portion of the parcel, and build another trailer park there. In order of this to happen, Madison County requires that all municipalities within 1.5 miles of that property sign off on that. They currently have signoffs from South Roxana and Granite City. The owners have a deadline of Friday so the Board needs to meet to have a special meeting sometime on

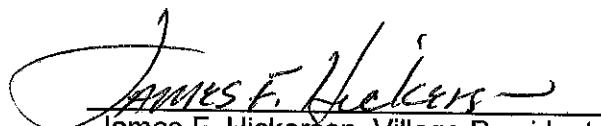
Thursday to vote on it. Mayor Hickerson said the meeting will be Thursday at 7:30pm. Trustee Luebbert asked if the Board approves this if they will then renegotiate Coleman's Campers fee for the year. Mayor Hickerson said they will have to. The Board agreed to meet Thursday at 7:30pm.

9. Report from Village Engineer (Absent): Nothing to report.
10. Report from Public Works Department, Doug Preston (Absent): Nothing to report.
11. Report from Fire Department, Chief Jarrod Horyn (Absent): Nothing to report.
12. Report from Police Department, Chief Brandon Flanigan
 - Chief Flanigan introduced Officer Tyler Gallaher to the Board. Officer Gallaher said he is very honored and can't wait to get started serving a great community and work with a great department. Chief Flanigan also informed the Board that the other officer who was recently hired, Kaitlynn Orr, was hired last night as a full-time officer in Granite City. Granite City will not be allowing her to stay working here part-time. Chief Flanigan said he was able to contact the uniform shop and they were able to cancel everything. The only cost for Orr that the village will not be able to get back is for the background check, physical, and drug test. Trustee Fulkerson asked Chief Flanigan about Officer Gallaher's vest. Chief Flanigan said the department did purchase a vest for Officer Gallaher and he recently got fitted for it.
 - Chief Flanigan informed the Board that at the last meeting he misspoke and said the department had 2401 calls of service for 2020 but there were actually 2723 calls of service.

Report from Committees:

13. **Safety Committee (Fulkerson, Caldwell, Luebbert):** Nothing to report.
14. **Ordinance Committee (Robertson, Luebbert, Harrop):** Nothing to report.
15. **Public Works Committee (Harrop, Fulkerson, Robertson):** Nothing to report.
16. **Public Utilities Committee (Caldwell, Robertson, Prickett):** Nothing to report.
17. **Parks & Recreation Committee (Luebbert, Prickett, Caldwell):** Nothing to report.
18. **Finance & Public Buildings (Prickett, Harrop, Fulkerson)**
 - A. Trustee Prickett informed the Board that there was a Finance Committee Meeting recently to discuss an insurance issue which was partly the village's fault and partly a misunderstanding from the retiree. An insurance reimbursement was decided on in the amount of \$684.88 with the village waiving the other half. On motion of Prickett, seconded by Fulkerson, it was voted to approve the insurance reimbursement from the village retiree in the amount of \$684.88. The village will waive the other half of the reimbursement. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
19. Allowable claims against the Village
 - A. Trustee Prickett reported vendor claims of \$94,239.17, plus payroll claims of \$32,699.31, for total claims of \$126,938.48. On motion of Prickett, seconded by Caldwell, it was voted to pay the allowable claims against the village in the total amount of \$126,938.48. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
20. There were no citizen comments.
21. Unfinished Business from the Board
 - Trustee Robertson asked about the barb wire fence on the facility at 107 E. Birch. Trustee Robertson informed the Board that he looked at Madison County's website and found that this property was never rezoned to allow that. Trustee Robertson also found out that Wood River Township did not know this property was there so they haven't been collecting property taxes on it and according to them there was never a building permit issued for this facility. Mayor Hickerson said they do have a building permit he just has not given it to them yet.
22. There was no new business from the Board.
23. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.


Emme M. Flanigan, Village Clerk


James F. Hickerson, Village President