

MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HARTFORD,
MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL,
HARTFORD, ILLINOIS AT 6:30 P.M. ON THE
4th Day of February 2020

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, Officer Tyler Timmins, Fire Chief Jarrod Horyn, and Firefighters Tom Rose and Jake Sanders.
4. Establishment of a quorum
5. Approval of the Minutes: 1/21/2020
 - On motion of Prickett, seconded by Harrop, it was voted to approve the 1/21/2020 Minutes as recorded by the Clerk. Ayes: Caldwell, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Abstain: Fulkerson. Motion carried.
6. Report from Village Clerk: Nothing to report.
7. Report from Mayor Hickerson
 - A. Mayor Hickerson requested a motion to accept Karl Bowermaster's letter of resignation with retirement date effective June 9th, 2020. Mr. Bowermaster's last day of work will be April 15th, 2020, exhausting his accrued vacation until June 9th, 2020. On motion of Robertson, seconded by Luebbert, it was voted to accept Karl Bowermaster's letter of resignation with last day of work as April 15th and retirement date June 9th. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
 - B. The Mayor also requested a motion to post and run a newspaper ad accepting applications for Public Works starting February 15th running for 3 weekends in the Advantage Newspaper with interviews starting March 1st with hire date of April 7th, 2020. On motion of Caldwell, seconded by Harrop, it was voted to post and run the newspaper ad. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.
8. Report from Attorney, Chris Donohoo: Nothing to report.
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
 - Chief Horyn informed the Board that the AFG grant he mentioned in a meeting a few months ago just opened up on Monday. Chief Horyn said the department's request for the grant is getting processed and he expects to hear back within 6-8 months.
 - Chief Horyn informed the Board that he has been working with Firefighter Sanders on another grant for small equipment from the State of Illinois Fire Marshall's office. They're giving away \$3.5 million with each department capping out at \$26,000. Chief Horyn said they will be applying for the grant.
 - Mayor Hickerson asked if the monthly sirens went off today. Chief Horyn said they did go off.
12. Report from Police Department, Chief Brandon Flanigan: Nothing to report.

Report from Committees:

13. Safety Committee (Fulkerson, Caldwell, Luebbert)

- Trustee Fulkerson said the Fire Department wants to get training done and have two Firefighters in training right now. He said the Board needs to find a way to reimburse the Firefighters and Fire Department for the training. The State is becoming stricter on requirements for departments and starting to look at everyone's training records. Trustee Fulkerson said the Fire Department has always slacked some on training because it is such a small department. Currently, the Fire Department only has one Fire Fighter with Basic Operations training. There are two Firefighters taking the class to get certified currently. One of the Firefighters paid for the training out of his own pocket at \$1,500. The other Firefighter was able to get a grant for a 6 month course. Trustee Fulkerson told the Board that reimbursement needs to be discussed so Village employees aren't paying out of their own pocket and so there is no conflict on picking who gets reimbursed and who doesn't.

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):** Nothing to report.

19. Allowable claims against the Village

- Trustee Prickett reported vendor claims of \$56,347.06, plus payroll claims of \$30,765.66, for total claims of \$87,112.72. On motion of Prickett, seconded by Caldwell, it was voted to pay the allowable claims against the Village in the total amount of \$87,112.72. Ayes: Caldwell, Fulkerson, Harrop, Luebbert, Prickett, and Robertson. Nays: None. Motion unanimous.

20. There were no Citizen comments.


21. There was no unfinished business from the Board.

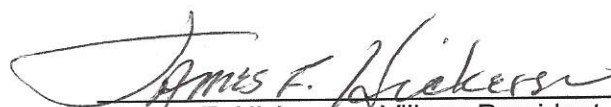
22. New Business from the Board

A. Discussion on weight limits

- a) Mayor Hickerson discussed changes to the previous Ordinance on weight limits. He said it should be changed so Rand Ave isn't on it anymore. The Mayor also said S Delmar from Hawthorne to Messer Gas needs to be 6 tons. Trustee Robertson said a length restriction should be added to the weight limit Ordinance. Trustee Fulkerson said a height restriction should also be looked into. Mayor Hickerson said as long as the Board is okay with the changes then it can be voted on and passed at the next Board Meeting.
- b) The Mayor said he found out the Phillips 66 Hartford Terminal was the one driving semis on Canal Road.
- c) Mayor Hickerson said ever since Central Ave was done a drain pipe was missed which causes it to flood badly. He said he is working on getting a bid to get that fixed and will inform the Board next meeting about the results. The project will be a few thousand dollars but will be paid for out of the TIF fund.

23. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.


Emme M. Flanigan, Village Clerk


James F. Hickerson, Village President