VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ILLINOIS
APRIL 13, 2015
7:00 PM

BE IT REMEMBERED, THAT THERE CAME AND WAS HELD A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ILLINOIS IN THE VILLAGE HALL OF SAID VILLAGE:

Members present: President Kevin Irby
Trustee James Garrison
Trustee Jeff Heintz
Trustee Matt King
Trustee Mickey VanDieren
Trustee Richard Vershaw
Village Attorney Clayton Lee
Chief of Police Terry Engle
Fire Rescue Chief Bryan Stone
Public Works Supervisor Scott McKay

Members absent: Trustee Kevin Hamilton
Deputy Clerk Carissa DeGeeter

Others present: Gary Grebner, 83 Kennelworth Circle. Kent Deal, 201 8th Avenue.

President Irby called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Clerk Toalson called the roll noting a quorum present and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 23, 2015: Motion by Trustee King, seconded by Trustee Garrison to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call vote as follows: King, Garrison, Heintz, VanDieren and Vershaw: “Aye”. Hamilton: absent. Motion carried.

Approval and Authorization for Payment of Bills: Motion by Trustee Garrison, seconded by Trustee King to approve the bills and authorize for payment. Roll call vote as follows: Garrison, King, Heintz, VanDieren and Vershaw: “Aye”. Hamilton: absent. Motion carried.

Approval of the Treasurer’s Report for the Month Ending March 2015: Motion by Trustee Vershaw, second by Trustee King to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Roll call vote as follows: Vershaw, King, Garrison, Heintz and VanDieren: “Aye”. Hamilton: absent. Motion carried.
Discussion of Ordinance Restricting Parking Near Mailboxes: President Irby reported that a resident is having problems with a neighbor that park in the street in front of his house blocking his mailbox. The post office will not deliver his mail if the mailbox is blocked. This resident receives his prescription medication by mail and it is at times days late because of this. The resident has talked to his neighbors about the problem but they are not cooperative. This problem came up a few years ago in the 900 block of 6th Street. The Board did not take any action then. President Irby will find some language for an ordinance for the next meeting that would restrict how close a vehicle can be parked to a mailbox and the location of mailboxes on Village ROW.

Discussion of Appointment of Zoning Board Member to Fill Vacancy: There is a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals. President Irby, after reviewing residents who expressed an interest, appointed Gary Grebner, 83 Kennelworth Circle to the position and asked for a motion to approve the appointment. It was motioned by Trustee Garrison, seconded by Trustee Vershaw to approve the appointment. Roll call vote as follows: Garrison, Vershaw, VanDieren, Heintz and King: “Aye”. Hamilton: absent. Motion carried.

Discussion of and Approval for Drainage Area Work at the Rear of 201 8th Avenue: Kent Deal, 201 8th Avenue was present to ask the Board for some assistance fixing the drainage area behind his home where 8th Avenue storm drains is routed to. The area has eroded and he is asking for some help building a retaining wall and replacing some of his yard. Trustee Heintz stated he and Supervisor McKay visited the site and they are seeking bids and recommendations.

Consideration and Approval of Ordinance # 776 Authorizing an Addendum to the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement: Chief Stone explained the amendment addresses reimbursement for equipment and manpower for longer assistance calls, similar to natural disasters, where assets could be tied up for days or weeks. It was motioned by Trustee Garrison, seconded by Trustee King to approve the ordinance. Roll call vote as follows: Garrison, King, Heintz, VanDieren and Vershaw: “Aye”. Hamilton: absent. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval of Renewal of Employee Health Insurance Plan: Several options were presented from Benefit Planners and discussed. It was motioned by Trustee Garrison to renew the current plan. The motion died for lack of a second. It was then motioned by Trustee Vershaw with a second by Trustee VanDieren to table this item until further discussion at a budget meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion of Draft Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2015 and Ending April 30, 2016: Copies of the draft budget were not available due to the copy machine being out of toner. It was motioned by Trustee VanDieren, second by Trustee Vershaw to table this item pending further discussion at a budget meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Trustee VanDieren called a Committee of the Whole meeting for Monday, April 20, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Village Hall to discuss employee health insurance renewal, and finalize the budget.
Consideration and Approval for Squad Car Repairs from Accident: Chief Engle reported on a minor accident with one of the squads. A claim has been filed with the insurance company and they have already issued a check minus the $500.00 deductible. Chief Engle would like to have Advantage Auto Body do the repairs. It was motioned by Trustee Garrison, second by Trustee Heintz authorizing Advantage Auto Body to do the repairs. Roll call vote as follows: Garrison, Heintz, King, VanDieren and Vershaw: “Aye”. Hamilton: absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports.

Streets and Alleys: Trustee Heintz reported he met with Supervisor McKay today to go over a list of projects for this year. He will have estimates this week and asked that the topic be put on the agenda for the budget meeting on April 20th. Trustee Vershaw reported that he has a new price on the drainage project in the alley in the 600 block between 2nd and 3rd Avenues of $23,160. The reduction is due to some donated drainage pipe and the residents agreeing to do some of the work themselves.

Parks and Heritage Center: Trustee King reported he is coordinating with Hampton Elementary to design a logo for Hampton Days.

Public Safety: Trustee Garrison asked the Board to stop by the fire department to see the work that has been done. The contractor is working on the police department roof. Supervisor McKay reported that a new controller is needed for the emergency siren and is estimated to cost $2,000 to $2,500. Trustee VanDieren commented that the Village needs a new siren system as the current siren cannot be heard at the southern part of town. Chief Engle offered to search for grants.

Police Chief Report: Chief Engle reported the contract with the Corps of Engineers for police patrols at the Fisherman’s Corner camp ground has been renewed. Chief Engle also recommends the Board consider making 3rd Avenue from 5th Street to 6th Street a one way going south during school hours. Traffic during the drop off and pickup times at the school is congested. The PTA and Hampton Youth Committee is sponsoring an auction to raise funds for the school and Chief Engle volunteered a ride along certificate to be raffled off. Discussed. It was motioned by Trustee Garrison, second by Trustee Vershaw to approve the ride along as long as the winner is 18 years old or older. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Fire Rescue Chief Report: Chief Stone reported the new fire truck is completed and is heading to the show in Indianapolis this week.

Administration, Insurance and Code Enforcement: No report.

Village Clerk: Clerk Toalson showed the Board a plaque made by Kevin Reeves. There is a wood burned picture of the Village Hall. Mr. Reeves donated the plaque to the Village. Clerk Toalson also reported that there were numerous payments missing last month from the drop box for water bill payments at the Village Hall. Clerk Toalson took the box down and posted a notice.
Public Works: Trustee Vershaw expressed concern about the deficit in the water and sewer fund.

Supervisor Report: No report.

Finance: No report.

President’s Report and Comments: President Irby asked Supervisor McKay if he budgeted for signs to be replaced this year to be in compliance with the sign replacement plan. Also, the school zone signs need to be ordered and installed. President Irby referred to a recent article about an OSHA decision concerning liability for a fire fighter’s death in Connecticut. The investigation found that the department was not following established procedures and policies when it came to OSHA required inspections of air pack masks. Chief Stone stated that all testing and fitting of air pack masks is up to date.

Village Attorney Report: Attorney Lee reported that he received a check today for reimbursement for the sewer lateral repair in the Villas @ Safe Harbor.

Acknowledgement of Visitors Who Desire to Address the Board: No one in the gallery addressed the Board.

Closed Session: No action taken.

There being no further business, it was motioned by Trustee King, second by Trustee Garrison, to adjourn until the next regular meeting. Roll call vote as follows: King, Garrison, Heintz, VanDieren and Vershaw; “Aye”. Hamilton: absent. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 PM.

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Michael J. Toalson
Clerk