VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ILLINOIS
AUGUST 22, 2016
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 Kevin Hamilton
Trustee Jeff Heintz
Trustee Matt King
Trustee Mickey VanDieren
Trustee Richard Vershaw
Treasurer Christine Lage
Chief of Police Terry Engle
Fire/Rescue Chief Dave Johnson
Attorney Clayton Lee

Members absent: Trustee Carl Griffin
Public Works Supervisor Scott McKay
Deputy Clerk Carissa DeGeeter

Others present: Kevin & Kim Roesner, 73 Barrington Circle; Steffanie Adams, 513 3rd Avenue; Sharon DeBo, 412 10th 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 August 8, 2016: Motion by Trustee Vershaw, second by Trustee Hamilton to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Vershaw, Hamilton, King, Heintz, and VanDieren: “Aye”. Griffin: absent. Motion carried.

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

Approval of the Treasurer’s Report for the Month Ending July, 2016: Motion by Trustee Vershaw, second by Trustee VanDieren to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Roll call vote as follows: Vershaw, VanDieren, King, Hamilton and Heintz: “Aye”. Griffin: absent. Motion carried.
Consideration and Approval of Ordinance 789 Amending Title Six Liquor Control Ordinance Regulating the Minimum Age of Servers and the Age of Patrons During Certain Times: A change was made to clarify when servers under the age of 21 could serve alcohol in restaurants/bars. Motion by Trustee Vershaw, second by Trustee Hamilton to approve the ordinance. Roll call vote as follows: Vershaw, Hamilton, King, Heintz and VanDieren: “Aye”. Griffin: absent. Motion carried.

Discussion of Draft Ordinance Allowing the Keeping of Urban Chickens on Certain Property within the Village of Hampton: Clerk Toalson presented a draft ordinance regulating the keeping of chickens on residential zoned property. The ordinance was reviewed with changes recommended for the next meeting.

Consideration and Approval to Increase the Rate of Pay for Part Time Police Officers: Chief Engle asked to raise the pay of part time officers to $20.00 per hour in the hopes that it will generate some interest in qualified officers applying for positions. Discussed. Motion by Trustee Hamilton, second by Trustee VanDieren to approve the increase in part time police officer pay to $20.00 per hour effective August 28, 2016. Roll call vote as follows: Hamilton, VanDieren, Vershaw, Heintz and King: “Aye”. Griffin: absent. Motion carried.

Committee Reports.

Streets and Alleys: Trustee Heintz reported that the MFT projects will be out to bid soon and that the bid opening will be Monday, September 12, 2016 at 10:00 am at the Village Hall. Trustee VanDieren stated that Bonnie Huber asked her about the tree on the boulevard in front of her house. Ms. Huber thought that that tree was supposed to be taken down. Trustee Heintz will check with Supervisor McKay.

Public Safety: Trustee Hamilton stated he will probably discuss the additional full time officer at budget time.

Police Chief Report: No report.

Fire Rescue Chief Report: Chief Johnson reported that there is some personnel adjustments being made and that he is interviewing potential members. Chief Johnson also reported that he has someone interested in the 2007 Crowne Vic that is to be sold. Chief Johnson expressed disappointment in the water fight that was set up at Hampton Days and the other departments did not show up. Trustee Vershaw referenced the 2007 Crowne Vic and stated he thought it was supposed to be raffled off at Hampton Days and now one of the volunteer firemen wants to buy it. Discussed. Chief Johnson will get the markings removed and move it to the maintenance building to be sold.

Finance: Trustee King reported that Hampton Days went well despite the weather. There were 57 entries at the car show. Trustee King also reported that he has reviewed the bank statements for the Village accounts and found no improprieties. President Irby thanked Trustee Vershaw and King for all the work on Hampton Days.

Administration, Insurance and Code Enforcement: No report.
Village Clerk: Clerk Toalson reported he will be on vacation August 29 – September 8. Clerk Toalson also announced that his term as appointed clerk will end April 30, 2017 and he will retire at that time. Discussed searching for another Clerk/Collector and getting that person familiar with the position prior to April 30.

Public Works: Trustee Vershaw reported the flushing hydrants seem to be working well and that the one near the Corps of Engineers Campground will have to be adjusted. Trustee Vershaw thanked all the volunteers for their hard work and the sponsors for their donations for Hampton Days. Next year will be Hampton’s 180th anniversary and Trustee Vershaw hopes that Hampton Days will be even more successful next year.

Supervisor Report: No report.

Parks & Recreation: No report.

President’s Report and Comments: President Irby thanked trustees Vershaw and King for their hard work on Hampton Days. He also thanked the residents who came to the park. President Irby read an email from an East Moline Alderman who asked for volunteers to help painting Empire Park sometime soon. President Irby stated that Logger House has been open about a week and things seem to be going good. President Irby announced that his term as President will end on April 30, 2017 and he does not intend to run for reelection. President Irby hopes that someone currently on the Board will run for President.

Village Attorney Report: No report.

Acknowledgement of Visitors Who Desire to Address the Board: Sharon DeBo, 412 10th Avenue stated she is not supportive of urban chickens and she understands that there are some people in town who currently have chickens. Ms. DeBo asked if the Board plans to do anything about them. Also, Ms. DeBo feels that the chicken ordinance will be hard to enforce and takes a lot of time on someone’s part.

President Irby asked the Board’s permission to produce a promotional video for the Village that could be available on the Village website. President Irby has a drone with video capability, which he brought to the meeting. Discussed privacy concerns and sending a notice out in water bills to let residents know of the drone flyovers.

Closed Session: It was motioned by Trustee King, second by Trustee Hamilton, to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel. Roll call vote as follows: King, Hamilton, Heintz, VanDieren and Vershaw: "Aye". Griffin: absent. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:13 PM.

VILLAGE OF HAMPTON

Michael J. Toalson
Clerk