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 Kevin Hamilton  
Trustee Jeff Heintz  
Trustee Matt King  
Trustee Mickey VanDieren  
Trustee Richard Vershaw  
Treasurer Christine Lage  
Village Attorney Clayton Lee  
Chief of Police Terry Engle  
Fire Rescue Chief Bryan Stone  
Deputy Clerk Carissa DeGeeter

Others Present: Mark Slagel, Alexis Fire Equipment.

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 Dec. 22, 2014: Motion by Trustee Vershaw, second by Trustee Hamilton to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Vershaw, Hamilton, VanDieren, Garrison, King and Heintz; “Aye”. Motion carried.

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

Approval of the Treasurer’s Report for the Month Ending Dec. 2014: Motion by Trustee Vershaw, second by Trustee Hamilton to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Roll call vote as follows: Vershaw, Hamilton, VanDieren, Garrison, King and Heintz; “Aye”. Motion carried.

Consideration and Approval for Officer McNell to Attend Firearms Instructor Training in February: The cost for the course is $556.00 of which 50% is reimbursable by the State. Total cost for the 40 hour course with lodging and per diem would be $1,221.70. The Board discussed the need at length as Chief Engle is already a qualified instructor. Chief Engle stated it is best that he as Chief not be
Consideration and Approval to Pursue Storm Siren Funding with East Moline Fire Chief Rob DeFrance: Chief Engle has discussed this issue with Chief DeFrance. Chief DeFrance was invited to attend the meeting but wasn't present. Chief DeFrance just completed the siren upgrade in East Moline, and as a resident of Hampton is willing to help. Motion by Trustee VanDieren, second by Trustee Vershaw to approve Chief Engle pursuing a plan and funding for a weather siren(s) upgrade with Chief DeFrance. Roll call vote as follows: VanDieren, Vershaw, Hamilton, Heintz, King and Garrison; “Aye”. Motion carried.

Committee Reports.

Streets and Alleys: No report.

Parks and Heritage Center: Trustee King did not have a report. Trustee Vershaw discussed a better enforcement system/mechanism for people who bring their own alcohol to events at the Heritage Center. Trustee King has a draft of a new rental contract that states the renter will lose their damage deposit if they or any of their guests bring alcohol and consume it on the premises. The Board discussed making the fine for consumption in the park higher so an ordinance violation can also be issued to offenders. Trustee King will bring the new contract to an ordinance committee meeting in the future for approval.

Trustee VanDieren asked if the Village is participating in the Bridal Expo this year. Trustee King stated we weren’t.

Public Safety: Trustee Garrison stated he noted in the closed session minutes that Chief Stone was to receive a $1,000.00 per year raise in 6 months, which was about 2 months ago. Motion by Trustee VanDieren, second by Trustee Vershaw to increase Chief Stone’s pay to $6,000 per year effective the next pay period. Roll call vote as follows: VanDieren, Vershaw, Hamilton, Heintz, King and Garrison; “Aye”. Motion carried.

Police Chief Report: Chief Engle reported that he has received titles for two vehicles recently seized and he is waiting for the award of the motorcycle seized.

Chief Engle reported he is looking into upgrading computers at the police department. Discussed the costs at length and whether or not it would be best to own or lease. Clerk Toalson will ask Platinum about consolidated pricing for the next meeting.

Fire Rescue Chief Report: Chief Stone reported the truck committee visited Alexis to finalize the building of the new truck and generated a change order. The Board discussed the items on the change order. Motion by Trustee Vershaw, second by Trustee Hamilton to approve Change Order C2 in the amount of $7,093.00. Roll call vote as follows: Vershaw, Hamilton, VanDieren, Garrison, King and Heintz; “Aye”. Motion carried.

The ordinance authorizing the fire truck purchase was not drafted. Clerk Toalson apologized and promised it for the next meeting.
Administration, Insurance and Code Enforcement: No report.

Village Clerk: Clerk Toalson reported that the transition to the new billing program is going well along with the server.

Public Works: Trustee Vershaw reported he is contacting a couple of contractors on the alley drainage issue in the 600 block of 3rd Avenue.

Trustee Vershaw asked if we have received payment for the lateral repair in Safe Harbor. Clerk Toalson has not received payment yet, although the resident stated he was going to pay when he was in before Christmas. A follow up letter will be sent. With the intent of filing a lien on the property if not paid.

Finance: No report.

President’s Report and Comments: President Irby reported he received many positive comments on the snow removal efforts during the last few weeks.

Village Attorney Report: Attorney Lee reported he is waiting on a response to a letter sent to the property owner at 144 State Avenue.

Acknowledgement of Visitors Who Desire to Address the Board: There was no one in the gallery to address the Board.

Closed Session to Review Closed Session Minutes for Release to the Public: Motion by Trustee King, second by Trustee Hamilton to recess to closed session to review closed session meeting minutes. Roll call vote as follows: King, Hamilton, Vershaw, VanDieren, Garrison and Heintz; “Aye”. Motion carried. The Board recessed to closed session at 8:24 PM.

The meeting reconvened from closed session at 8:27 PM. Motion by Trustee King, second by Trustee Vershaw to release the following closed session minutes identified by date: May 20, 2013, October 15, 2013, April 14, 2014, May 12, 2014, May 27, 2014 and July 14, 2014. Roll call vote as follows: King, Vershaw, VanDieren, Hamilton, Garrison and Heintz; “Aye”. Motion carried.

There being no further business, it was motioned by Trustee Hamilton, second by Trustee VanDieren, to adjourn until the next regular meeting. Roll call vote as follows: Hamilton, VanDieren, Vershaw, Garrison, King and Heintz; “Aye”. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

VILLAGE OF HAMPTON

[Signature]
Michael J. Toalson
Clerk