

VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ILLINOIS

January 22, 2024; 6:30 PM

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

Members present:

President Bornhoeft
Trustee Mark White
Trustee Paula McKay
Trustee Rich Smice
Trustee Schneckloth
Trustee Ryan Gonzalez
Trustee Steffanie Adams
Clerk Michelle Reyes
Fire Chief David Johnson
Public Works Supervisor Eric Toalson

President Bornhoeft called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Clerk Reyes called the roll noting a quorum present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Meeting was held at the Village Hall.

Consideration and Approval of the minutes from the meeting of January 8, 2023. Motion by Trustee White, second by Trustee Smice. Trustee Adams would like to amend Agenda to show current date of meeting minutes. Motion to approve with changes. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote. "Aye".

Consideration and approval of payment of Bills. Motion by Trustee Adams, second by Trustee McKay to approve the bills. Roll call as follows: White, McKay, Smice, Schneckloth, Gonzalez and Adams: "Aye". Motion approved.

Acknowledgement of Visitors who wish to address the board. Eric Porter addressed the board with a statement. An incident occurred at his place of business, wherein the police needed to be called. Initially Mr. Porter was concerned with the response time since the village is using Rock Island County for police protection. To his surprise the response time was within a couple minutes. He also would like to add that the entire process of how they handle the reporting was easy and smooth. In the past he would have to purchase a thumb drive and make copies, all time consuming. While on scene they sent him an email which provided a link that he was able to upload to. Not only were they fast, they were efficient.

Consideration and Approval of hours for collection of water bills. President Bornhoeft stated that the Clerk is currently working from the police department. Clerk Reyes stated that the software is responding well with the fiber internet connection. The true test will be when we process billing statements. In the interim the Heritage Center will accept utility billing payments Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The week prior to when the utility bills are due the Heritage Center will be open 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. There is still many ways to pay. Motion by Trustee McKay second by Trustee Gonzalez to approve the part time hours until further notice. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion, Consideration and Approval of repairs or replacement of the 2011 F-550. Supervisor Toalson stated that the heater went out of the truck, they will have to remove the dash and repairs will be \$1475, plus \$50 the initial cost of labor to determine problem. Motion to approve the repair in the amount of \$1525, second by Trustee Adams. Roll call as follows: White, McKay, Smice, Schneckloth, Gonzalez and Adams: "Aye". Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS and Committee Reports.

Streets and Alleys: Trustee McKay nothing to report, just a huge thank you to Eric, Dave and Jake for plowing.

Public Safety: Trustee White thanked Chief Johnson for preparing for a warming center if needed. Trustee White would like to thank the Sheriff's department for going door to door during the snow storm trying to get people to move their cars.

Sheriff Report: Sheriff Hart is in Andalusia, Deputy DeSmyter stated that they are staying busy with conditions and investigations. In regards to the complaints about towing cars, the Sheriff's department does not want to come in with an Iron Fist, so they looked at the history and no cars have been towed in the past five years during snow.

Fire Chief Report: Chief Johnson was glad we did not need to utilize a warming center.

Finance: Trustee Adams reminded everyone about the budget meeting tomorrow.

Administration, Insurance and Code Enforcement: Trustee Smice thanked the Sheriff Department, Eric, Dave and Jake for all their hard work.

Public Works: Trustee Schneckloth echoed the thanks to everyone. Also personal thanks to Andy Wright, Brian Schou and Chris Bornhoeft who cleared his driveway while he was in Iowa City Hospital with his son. It was very much appreciated.

Supervisor Report: Supervisor Toalson and Dave will be out cleaning the streets tomorrow from all the slushing.

Parks and Heritage Center: Trustee Gonzalez appreciated everyone's hard work during the snow fall.

Clerk: Clerk Reyes stated that there is a legal review of the ordinances available, asked Trustee Smice if he received. Will email to him. Hopefully we can move forward with the review and get the ordinances codified.

President's Report and Comments: President Bornhoeft stated that the attorney informed him the occupation tax for AirBNB, short term rentals can only fund tourism. Public Works did an excellent job of plowing, the largest pile is in his front yard. President Bornhoeft said he is sure that will be there until May.

Being no further business, motion by Trustee Adams to adjourn, second by Trustee Smice. Motion approved by unanimous "Aye" vote. Motion carried. The Board adjourned at 6:57 PM

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Michelle Reyes, Clerk