

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
August 4, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Hampshire was called to order by Village President Michael J. Reid, Jr. at 7:00 p.m. in the Village of Hampshire Village Board Room, 234 S. State Street, on Thursday, August 4, 2022.

Roll call by Village Clerk Vasquez:

Present: Heather Fodor, Aaron Kelly, Toby Koth, Laura Pollastrini, Erik Robinson, and Lionel Mott.

Absent: None

A quorum was established.

In addition, present in-person were Village Manager Jay Hedges, Finance Director Lori Lyons, Village Attorney Mark Schuster, Assistant to the Village Manager Josh Wray, and Police Chief Brian Thompson. Also, present electronically: Tim Paulson from EEI.

Village President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Trustee Pollastrini moved to approve the minutes of July 21, 2022.

Seconded by Trustee Fodor

Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ayes: Koth, Mott, Kelly, Pollastrini, Fodor, Robinson

Nays: None

Absent: None

President Reid asked the Board to remove item 7(a) from the agenda because it was not quite ready for discussion and vote yet.

Trustee Robinson moved to amend the agenda by removing item 7(a): An Ordinance waiving the requirement for a fire sprinkler system in a storage building at 148 E. Washington Ave.

Seconded by Trustee Kelly

Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ayes: Koth, Mott, Kelly, Pollastrini, Fodor, Robinson

Nays: None

Absent: None

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Reid announced Police Chief Thompson will be retiring; his last day will be September 9, 2022. President Reid noted Chief Thompson's importance to the community, and everyone thanked him for 40 years of service. Chief Thompson introduced his wife, Sherry, and his sister-in-law and brother in-law Susan and Steve Dolton. He thanked the Village for having him for so long and said he would be willing to help the community in any way he can during retirement.

VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

An Ordinance Removing the 10-Vehicle Weight Limit on State Street

Mr. Wray noted that the Village Board removed State Street as a Class II truck route last year and instituted this weight limit as an added measure to keep trucks off State Street. However, IDOT has advised that weight limits have not been upheld when only applied to trucks while allowing school buses, garbage trucks, and local delivery trucks to utilize the Street. Keeping the weight limit would mean forcing all that traffic around State Street onto residential streets as was done during Streetscape. Although this ordinance removes the weight limit, the majority of through truck traffic will still be prohibited by State law since State Street is no longer a truck route and can no longer be used as a thoroughfare.

Trustee Koth moved to approve Ordinance 22-18: Amending the Village traffic regulations to eliminate the weight limit for vehicles travelling on State Street.

Seconded by Trustee Robinson
Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Koth, Mott, Kelly, Pollastrini, Fodor, Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None

A Motion to Award a Façade Improvement Grant to the Kave for 75% of Eligible Project Costs up to \$27,900

The Kave at 123 Washington Ave plans to improve the brick, gutters, and roof. They will install drainage under the sidewalk running to the catch basin and will shorten the awning on the north end by the exit to prevent issues with trucks. Beautification Subcommittee Chair Bill Swalwell stated both the Business Development Commission and the Beautification Subcommittee recommend and support 75% funding to the Kave.

Trustee Mott moved to award a façade improvement grant to the Kave for 75% of eligible project costs up to \$27,900.

Seconded by Trustee Fodor
Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Koth, Mott, Pollastrini, Fodor, Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstained: Kelly

A Motion to Authorize Pay Estimate No.4 to Kane County Excavating in the Sum of \$84,479.40 for Work Completed on the Connection Water Main Project

Village Manager Hedges reported the job is moving along quickly; the paving and shouldering of Gast Rd. is complete; the work left to be done includes striping Gast Rd. and installing the new PRV station.

Trustee Kelly moved to authorize Pay Estimate No.4 to Kane County Excavating in the sum of \$84,479.40 for work completed on the Connection Water Main project.

Seconded by Trustee Robinson
Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ayes: Kelly, Mott, Koth, Pollastrini, Fodor, Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None

MONTHLY REPORTS

Building Report

Mr. Wray reported the building and code enforcement metrics, noting that new home permits were still higher in July this year than in the previous two Julys. Most of those new homes are in Tamms Farm.

Trustee Kelly asked if staff had any feeling for why Tamms Farm is moving so fast lately compared to Prairie Ridge. Mr. Wray noted that Prairie Ridge may be lagging recently because Crown is finishing the infrastructure work for Neighborhood M and is in the final plat stage for Neighborhood R which together will add over 200 townhome units in the next year. Mr. Hedges also noted that Lennar is a different type of builder than the two builders in Prairie Ridge; Lennar bought the entire subdivision, nearly 200 homes, and will build those as fast as they can especially considering the current indicators of a housing market slowdown.

Streets Report

Village Manager Hedges reported the new salt dome looks great. The entire Public Works Dept. continues to do an excellent job.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A Motion to Approve the August 4, 2022 Regular Accounts Payable to Personnel

Trustee Fodor moved to approve the Accounts Payable for Cody Grindley and Doug Brox in the sum of \$80.00 paid on or before August 10, 2022.

Seconded by Trustee Kelly
Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Koth, Mott, Pollastrini, Fodor, Kelly, Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None

A Motion to Approve the August 4, 2022 Regular Accounts Payable

Trustee Robinson moved to approve the Accounts Payable in the sum of \$126,373.12 paid on or before August 10, 2022.

Seconded by Trustee Mott

Trustee Pollastrini asked about the refund to Midwest Integrated Companies. Ms. Lyons explained the money was for a zoning deposit for the annexation of the remaining land that the Brier Hill Ventures developer purchased west of the Midwest Companies site; they decided to postpone the annexation of that additional land and requested the deposit be refunded.

Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Kelly, Mott, Kelly, Pollastrini, Fodor, Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None

COMMITTEE / COMMISSION REPORTS

- a) Business Development Commission - Trustee Kelly announced a BDC meeting on Wednesday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. where the primary focus will be continuing work on the Economic Development Strategy.
- b) Public Relations - Trustee Fodor mentioned they had a meeting three weeks ago primarily to discuss the newsletter. The next meeting will be August 11 at 6:30 p.m.
- c) Public Works - Trustee Koth reported the streets will be stripping and blacktopping around town, and he thanked Chief Thompson again for his years of service.
- d) Budget Committee - Trustee Pollastrini reported they had a meeting August 1 to discuss the façade grant program and dealing with overbudget spending requests. The Budget Committee recommended (1) that no further façade grants be approved this fiscal year, (2) that no more façade grant applications be accepted until the program has been evaluated as President Reid described at a past meeting, and (3) that the Beautification Subcommittee and the BDC be asked to consider the program budget as a hard number in their future deliberations and recommendations of grants. Discussed ensued regarding the façade grant program budget.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

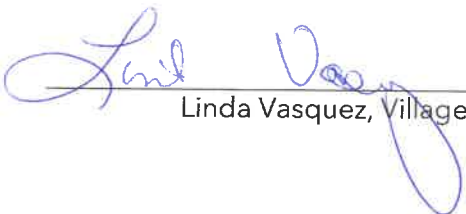
Trustee Robinson wished everyone a happy and safe time attending the first day of school August 16, 2022.

Trustee Mott was wondering if we were going to put on any reflectors on the black bollards because it is hard to see them at night. Mr. Hedges noted that there is a high curb between the road and the bollards that would be difficult to mount which should prevent drivers from hitting the bollards.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Koth moved to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Seconded by Trustee Robinson
Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Kelly, Fodor, Koth, Pollastrini, Mott, Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None


Linda Vasquez, Village Clerk