

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**MINUTES**  
**July 1, 2021**

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, July 1, 2021.

Roll Call by Clerk Vasquez

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

Absent: Erik Robinson

A quorum was established.

Also, present Village Manager Jay Hedges, Village Clerk Linda Vasquez, Finance Director Lori Lyons, Police Chief Brian Thompson, and Curt Dettmann - EEI

Also electronically: Village Attorney Mark Schuster

President Reid led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES**

Trustee Pollastrini moved to approve the minutes of June 17, 2021, with the changes on second to the last page under new business date of the event should be June 25 and adding talking about asking the Kave to cover the cost for the police officers.

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

**Presentation of Village Service Awards:**

Village President Reid presented the award to Ken Swanson who served on the Plan Commission and thanked him.

Village President Reid presented the award to William Albert who served on the Zoning Board of Appeals and thanked him.

Village President Reid presented the award to Carl Christenson who served on the Zoning Board of Appeals and thanked him.

Village President Reid mentioned that an award was to be presented to Joseph Schaul who served on the Zoning Board of Appeals but could not be present; he will be notified of the award.

## VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

### Hampshire Township Historical Society

Ms. Bonnie Engel commented that the Hampshire Township Historical Society, LLC would start to hold regular meetings. Bill Howell, President appointed Bonnie Engel and Lionel Mott to co-chair the development committee for the Society. A few topics that Ms. Engel mentioned; record media interviews of local senior citizens, provide and develop programs for the public concerning the history of Hampshire, revise membership and dues. The Society is looking for space so they can put things in order and display the public items they have accumulated so far. Ms. Engel noted that Stacy Magnussen is the great great great granddaughter of Samuel Rowell, and she is excited and looking forward to working with the Historical Society.

### A Motion to approve a Master Power Supply Agreement By and Between the Village of Hampshire and MC Squared Energy Services, LLC to provide full-requirements electricity supply and related services for the Village's Electric Aggregation Program.

Ms. Sharon Durling the Village's consultant monitors the market for future savings. Ms. Durling explained how the system works; and how ComEd rates match offers. MC Squared Energy also offers a civic contribution. The Village would receive \$25,000 annually for its general fund, and there are no restrictions as to use.

Trustee Mott asked if this agreement would cause any issues with Hampshire residents who have or may have solar panels on their homes. Ms. Durling assured him there would not be any issues with solar panels. Trustee Kelly asked what the benefits of this proposal are since the rates are the same as ComEd rates. Ms. Durling indicated that the Village would receive \$75,000 in an unrestricted Civic Contribution over 3 years, and the residents would be guaranteed the same rates as ComEd, without having to consider other resellers. Trustee Fodor asked if Village residents would be using any Green Energy under this recommendation. Ms. Durling responded that ComEd uses 18% Green Energy across the board, so only that amount. Mr. Hedges added that the Village has the option to take less Civic Contribution and more Green Energy on a sliding scale but the recommendation by staff was to maximize the grant amount that could be used to install an electric car charging station downtown as recommended by the BDC.

Trustee Pollastrini moved to approve a Master Power Supply Agreement By and Between the Village of Hampshire and MC Squared Energy Services, LLC to provide full-requirements electricity supply and related services for the Village's Electric Aggregation Program.

Seconded by Trustee Mott  
Motion **FAILED** by roll call vote.  
Ayes: Mott, Pollastrini  
Nays: Fodor, Kelly, Koth  
Absent: Robinson

### A Motion to approve an Ordinance for sale of a certain public land, being a part of PIN 01-21-426-010 and a part of PIN 01-21-426-003 in the Village.

Village President Reid asked if advertising for bids to sell this property was required, or could the Village expedite the sale to Mr. Hennig sooner. Attorney Schuster indicated that State Statute requires advertising. Trustee Kelly asked if the land was still used as a street. Attorney Schuster responded no.

Trustee Koth moved to approve an Ordinance 21-26 for sale of certain public land, by bid, being a part of PIN 01-21-426-010 and a part of PIN 01-21-426-003, in the Village.

Seconded by Trustee Robinson

Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ayes: Fodor, Kelly, Koth, Mott, Pollastrini, and Reid

Nays: None

Absent: Robinson

A Motion to amend the Village Code, Chapter 2: Police Regulations and Chapter 5: Building Regulations, to allow for certain violations regarding exterior property maintenance to be cited without prior notice of violation and for immediate enforcement.

Members of the Board asked many questions about this proposal. Trustee Koth in particular desired that a trained code enforcement officer be engaged as to complaints about the exterior condition of any property. One idea was have our code enforcement (Safebuilt) concur with the person who is complaining before the Police officer cites the property. After discussion, the matter was tabled and staff will consider options and return to the Village Board in the future.

An Ordinance amending the Village Traffic Regulations to Eliminate certain Class II designed Truck Routes in the Village and Weight Limit for Vehicles traveling on State Street in the Village.

Mr. Hedges explained that the Ordinance passed by the Board in April was not correct according to IDOT. By eliminating all Class II truck routes in the Village, Semis would be prohibited from using State Street as a through street, and could only use it when making local deliveries. Mr. Hedges added that this ordinance would also prohibit all vehicles over 20,000 pounds from using State Street between Jackson and Washington, including school buses, RV, etc., in which case they would be diverted to Park Street through the neighborhood. Trustee Fodor and Village President Reid indicated a preference to allow school buses downtown.

This item was tabled so Staff could redraft to accommodate the concerns expressed.

An Ordinance authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of financing the costs of certain capital-related projects for the Village of Hampshire, Kane County, Illinois, and authorizing and providing for the issue of not to exceed \$182,500 General Obligation (Limited Tax) Debt Certificates, Series 2021, of said Village evidencing the rights to payment under such agreement, prescribing the details of the Agreement and Certificates, and providing security for and means of payment under the Agreement of the Certificates.

Ms. Lyons reported that the Board authorized staff to pursue financing acquisition of a new street sweeper through Heartland Bank. The ordinance was prepared by Bond Counsel and requires them to layout the specifics, when known. The closing is scheduled for July 15, 2021.

Trustee Fodor moved to approve Ordinance 21-27: An Ordinance authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of financing the costs of certain capital-related projects for the Village of Hampshire, Kane County, Illinois, and authorizing and providing for the issue of not to exceed \$182,500 General Obligation

(Limited Tax) Debt Certificates, Series 2021, of said Village evidencing the rights to payment under such agreement, prescribing the details of the Agreement and Certificates, and providing security for and means of payment under the Agreement of the Certificates

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

A Motion to reject All Bids for the Streetscape Project due to higher than budget costs, and notify all bidders.

Mr. Dettmann – EEI explained the increase in the costs shown in the bids. Increase of steel, conduit, wire and concrete. EEI will monitor material costs, and plan to go out to rebid again in January 2022. Mr. Hedges mentioned that the grant agreement runs from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2023. The Village will need to communicate the postponement to the residents and downtown merchants.

Trustee Koth moved to reject All Bids for the Streetscape Project due to higher than budget costs, and notify all bidders.

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

Discussion of a Village of Hampshire Covid-19 Water Bill Relief Program.

Village Manager Hedges explained how this program would work, under the proposal prepared with help from Trustee Pollastrini and staff. Trustee Kelly commended and thanked everyone who helped put this together. Trustee Fodor also thanked everyone for a job well done and being very mindful how to approach this subject. Finance Director Lyons asked with the Board's permission to start notifying residents with delinquent accounts using door hangers as soon as the water bills go out. The Board agreed to get this program started before there are further delinquencies. No formal action was required.

EEI Monthly Engineering Report.

Mr. Dettmann briefly reviewed EEI's first monthly report, including Village Projects and Developer Projects, and the new D 300 elementary school that is scheduled to open in the fall of 2022. Trustee Koth thanked EEI for this new report, and Village President Reid thanked them for the improved transparency and commented that they are doing a great job.

A motion to Approve the July 1, 2021 Accounts Payable to Personnel.

Trustee Kelly moved to approve the Accounts Payable for John Huff in the sum of \$160.00 paid on or before July 7, 2021.

Seconded by Trustee Fodor  
Motion carried by roll call vote.  
Ayes: Fodor, Kelly, Koth, Mott, Pollastrini.

Nays: None  
Absent: Robinson

A motion to Approve the July 1, 2021 Regular Accounts Payable

Trustee Mott moved to approve the Accounts Payable in the sum of \$125,322.49 paid on or before July 7, 2021.

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

**COMMITTEE / COMMISSION REPORTS**

- a) Public Works – No report
- b) Public Relations – Trustee Fodor held a meeting June 29 at 7 p.m. and set short-term, mid-term and long-term goals. The committee will meet on the fourth Thursday of the month as needed.
- c) Budget – No report
- d) Business Development Commission – Trustee Kelly reported the next BDC meeting would be July 14 at 6:30 p.m. here at the Village Hall

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trustee Kelly noted that some sidewalks have shifted and asked what responsibility the Village has to repair them. Dettmann explained it could be caused by many variables such as water or tree roots under the sidewalk. Mr. Hedges reminded the Board that the Village only replaces sidewalks through the shared cost program, and does not have funds budgeted for any significant sidewalk replacement in the current year, or in the capital budget.

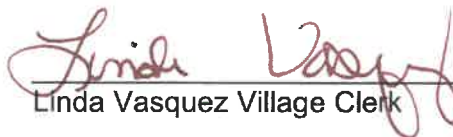
Trustee Koth reported that Clarke Mosquito is spraying right now.

Village President Reid announced on July 20, 2021 at 8:00 AM, he and State Senator Don DeWitte will be at the Rose Garden Family Restaurant for Coffee and Conversations with the public.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Kelly moved, to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 9:50 p.m.

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

  
Linda Vasquez Village Clerk