

**VILLAGE OF PEOTONE**  
**REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF APRIL 11, 2016**

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY THE INTERIM VILLAGE PRESIDENT, STEVEN CROSS.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX HALL, 208 E. MAIN STREET, PEOTONE, ILLINOIS; THE INTERIM VILLAGE PRESIDENT, STEVEN CROSS, PRESIDING. THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS ANSWERED ROLL CALL: MR. HUPKE, DR. MARCH, MR. BOWDEN, MR. HACK, AND MR. HAMM. TRUSTEE JONES WAS ABSENT. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ATTORNEY, ENGINEER, MR. FOX, MS. BORMET, MR. MITCHELL, AND CHIEF MORT.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 28, 2016, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. HUPKE, MARCH, BOWDEN, HACK, AND HAMM VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**MINUTES**

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL AND TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN ALL CATEGORIZED FUNDS AS PRESENTED. HUPKE, HACK, MARCH, BOWDEN, AND HAMM VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**PAYROLL & ACCTS. PAYABLE**

PUBLIC COMMENT - LIBRARY DIRECTOR, NOREEN BORMET, ANNOUNCED THAT THIS WEEK IS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK. THE LIBRARY HAS SCHEDULED A CLEAN UP YOUR FINES PROGRAM. THE SPRING BOOK SALE WILL BE THE 21<sup>st</sup> THROUGH THE 23<sup>rd</sup> OF APRIL.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

CHIEF'S REPORT - CHIEF MORT REPORTED THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL BE SIGNING OFF ON THE EMERGENCY PLAN. TOMORROW THERE WILL BE A DISASTER EXERCISE IN MONEE.

**REPORTS**

ENGINEER - NONE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - TRUSTEE MARCH REPORTED THAT THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED THE WELCOME BAGS FOR NEW RESIDENTS. THE BUSINESSES SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO DONATE PROMOTIONAL ITEMS FOR THE BAGS. STANDARDIZING THE VILLAGE LOGO WAS DISCUSSED. USING THE VILLAGE PIN AS THE LOGO ON EVERYTHING WAS DISCUSSED. THE CLERK EXPLAINED THAT SHE HAD WORKED WITH INLAND ARTS AND GRAPHIC A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO AND WE CHANGED THE DIRECTION OF THE MILL. IT LOOKED FINE FOR THE ENVELOPES, BUT IT DIDN'T LOOK RIGHT AS STATIONARY. TRUSTEE MARCH SUGGESTED WORKING WITH GRAPHICS PEOPLE. TRUSTEE HUPKE SUGGESTED HOLDING A CONTEST FOR A NEW LOGO. THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ALSO DISCUSSED THE VILLAGE ENTRY SIGNS; THE SIDEWALK SURVEY TO BE DONE BY TRUSTEE MARCH, TRUSTEE JONES, AND ADAM JONES ON APRIL 29<sup>th</sup>, AND THE APPLICATION FOR TREE CITY USA.

THE ORDINANCE FOR A STOP SIGN ON RATHJE ROAD WAS DISCUSSED AND TABLED FROM THE LAST BOARD MEETING. MR. FOX, MR. MITCHELL, AND ANOTHER RATHJE ROAD RESIDENT WERE PRESENT TO SPEAK ON THE ISSUE. THEY THOUGHT THE POLICE SHOULD ISSUE MORE SPEEDING TICKETS. THEY OFFERED MORNING AND EVENING TIMES WHEN MOST OF THE SPEEDING OCCURRED. CHIEF MORT STATED THAT WHEN THE SPEEDING TICKETS GO TO COURT, THE TICKETS ARE DISMISSED FOR ANYTHING LESS THAN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF MILES PER HOUR OVER THE SPEED LIMIT. THE LOSS OF PARKING IF THE STOP SIGN WERE TO BE INSTALLED WAS DISCUSSED. TRUSTEE HUPKE STATED THAT OAK STREET HAS THE SAME

**RATHJE ROAD STOP SIGN**

SPEEDING ISSUES EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE STOP SIGNS. TRUSTEE HACK SPOKE ABOUT THE ELECTRIC RADAR SIGN THE BOARD HAD PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED. THE RADAR SIGN ALSO COLLECTS DATA. CHIEF MORT WILL ORDER THE ELECTRIC RADAR SIGN AND THE POLICE WILL CONTINUE THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE SPEED LIMIT. WHEN ASKED, THE RATHJE ROAD RESIDENTS WERE NOT IN FAVOR OF THE RATHJE ROAD STOP SIGN.

MOTION BY MARCH, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO TABLE THE RATHJE ROAD STOP SIGN ORDINANCE UNTIL THE NEXT BOARD MEETING. MARCH, HUPKE, HACK, BOWDEN, AND HAMM VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE PEOTONE AMERICAN LEGION HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION FOR A SPECIAL EVENT FOR THE AMERICAN LEGION POPPY DAY AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE VILLAGE ON MAY 28, 2016, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.

**POPPY DAY**

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY HAMM, TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENT FOR THE AMERICAN LEGION POPPY DAY ON MAY 28, 2016, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M. AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE VILLAGE. HUPKE, HAMM, BOWDEN, HACK, AND MARCH VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FOR BERKOT'S SUPERFOODS - D, CASEY'S GENERAL STORE #2162 - D-1, FIREPIT BAR & GRILL - E, MAC'S CONVENIENCE STORE (CIRCLE K #182) - D-1, PEOTONE AMERICAN LEGION POST 392 - A, PEOTONE BOWL - A, RC SERVICES - D-1, SAMMY'S PIZZA - E, SPEEDWAY #7032 - D-1, SUZY'S SALOON - A, THROWBACK II - A, TONY'S PIZZA - C-1, AND THE WILL COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION - A.

**LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS**

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THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE COMMERCIAL AMPLIFIER PERMIT RENEWALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FOR FIREPIT BAR & GRILL, THE PEOTONE AMERICAN LEGION AND, THE WILL COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION.

**COMMERCIAL AMPLIFIER RENEWALS**

MOTION BY HACK, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO APPROVE THE COMMERCIAL AMPLIFIER PERMIT RENEWALS FOR FIREPIT BAR & GRILL, THE PEOTONE AMERICAN LEGION AND, THE WILL COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION. HACK, HUPKE, MARCH, HAMM, AND BOWDEN VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

TRUSTEE BOWDEN INQUIRED ABOUT THE LETTERS THAT WERE SENT REGARDING THE LIENS ON THE RTE. 50 VACANT LOT. THE CLERK STATED THAT SHE HAD SPOKEN TO THE BANK IN CHARGE OF THE PROPERTY. THE CHECK WAS BEING PROCESSED AND SHOULD BE RECEIVED IN A WEEK OR SO.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

THE BRANCH PICK-UP WILL TAKE A COUPLE OF DAYS LONGER THIS WEEK.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY BOWDEN, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:39 P.M. TO REVIEW THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES FOR POSSIBLE RELEASE AND TO DISCUSS THE COMPENSATION OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC BODY. HUPKE, BOWDEN, HACK,

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

HAMM, AND MARCH VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:02 P.M. HUPKE, MARCH, HAMM, BOWDEN, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO RELEASE THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF MARCH 14, 2016; AUGUST 24, 2015; AUGUST 10, 2015-#1; AUGUST 8, 2015; JUNE 30, 2015; JUNE 22, 2015; MAY 18, 2015-#2; MAY 18, 2015-#1; AND MAY 11, 2015-#1. HUPKE, MARCH, HAMM, BOWDEN, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**E.S. MINUTE RELEASE**

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY BOWDEN, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 8:04 P.M. HUPKE, BOWDEN, HAMM, MARCH, AND HACK, VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Donna Werner  
Village Clerk