

VILLAGE OF PEOTONE
VILLAGE BOARD
MINUTES OF JUNE 22, 2015

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, MR. JONES, DR. MARCH, MR. HACK, AND MR. FORSYTHE. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ENGINEER, ATTORNEY, MR. HENNKE, MS. BORMET, MS. HAMANN, MS. MURAWSKI, AND MS. GOVIC.

ROLL CALL

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 8, 2015, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. JONES, MARCH, HACK, FORSYTHE, AND HUPKE, AND 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, FORSYTHE, JONES, AND MARCH VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

PAYROLL & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

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THE CLERK / COLLECTOR REPORT AND THE TREASURER REPORT WERE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD.

C/C & TREAS REPORTS

POLICE CHIEF REPORT - NOT PRESENT

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POLICE COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE HUPKE REPORTED ON THE JUNE 10, 2015, POLICE / SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING. THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED BODY CAMERAS, TASERS, RATHJE ROAD SPEED SURVEY, AND THE HAUERT STREET/CRAWFORD STREET/ RTE. 50 PARKING AND SAFETY.

POLICE COMMITTEE

ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – TRUSTEE HUPKE REPORTED ON THE JUNE 10, 2015, ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING. THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR JOB DESCRIPTION, THE CODE ENFORCEMENT JOB DESCRIPTION, THE CODE ENFORCEMENT DUTIES CURRENTLY HANDLED BY THE CHIEF AND PRESIDENT, AND THE VILLAGE WEBSITE UPDATES.

ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

ENGINEER REPORT – ALL OF THE DOCUMENTS FOR THE WILMINGTON ROAD SIDEWALK/BIKE PATH HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED. GRANTS ARE ON HOLD.

ENGINEER REPORT

THE PEOTONE HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAS SUBMITTED A REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT TO ALLOW THE OLD MILL FALL FEST ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2015, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. WITH A PARTIAL STREET CLOSURE OF THE NORTH SIDE OF CORNING FROM MILL STREET TO CONRAD STREET.

OLD MILL FALL FEST

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENT REQUESTED BY THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR THE OLD MILL FALL FEST ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2015, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. WITH THE PARTIAL STREET CLOSURE. FORSYTHE, HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MS. GOVIC, THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT FOR ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO., WAS PRESENT TO INTRODUCE HERSELF TO THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS. ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER IS THE FIRM THE VILLAGE USES FOR THE PROPERTY / LIABILITY/ WORKMAN'S COMP INSURANCE. SHE INFORMED THE BOARD OF FREE SAFETY TRAINING FOR THE EMPLOYEES OFFERED BY THE COMPANY. SHE STATED THAT THE VILLAGE WAS A VOTING MEMBER ON THE IMIC BOARD AND THAT THE PRIMARY WAS THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR WITH THE CLERK AS SECONDARY. SHE INQUIRED WHO THE NEW PRIMARY WOULD BE IN THE ABSENCE OF A VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR. THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS TO NAME THE VILLAGE CLERK AS THE PRIMARY WITH THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AS THE SECONDARY UNTIL A NEW ADMINISTRATOR IS HIRED.

**GOVIC
INSURANCE**

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO APPROVE THE NEW JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE CODE ENFORCEMENT POSITION. HUPKE, HACK, FORSYTHE, MARCH, AND JONES VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT
JOB DESCRIPTION**

MOTION BY HACK, SECONDED BY JONES, TO APPROVE THE NEW JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR POSITION. HACK, JONES, MARCH, HUPKE, AND FORSYTHE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
JOB DESCRIPTION**

IDOT HAS REQUESTED A RESOLUTION BE PASSED BY THE VILLAGE TO FACILITATE ANY PERMITS NEEDED FOR CONSTRUCTION ALONG THE STATE HIGHWAY.

**RES. 15-R06
CONSTRUCTION ON
STATE HWY**

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO PASS RESOLUTION 15-R06 – A RESOLUTION FOR CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY. FORSYTHE, HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE BOARD HAD DISCUSSED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS CHANGING THEIR STANCE REGARDING THE ILLIANA EXPRESSWAY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT. THE DECISION OF THE BOARD WAS TO OPPOSE THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

**RES. 15-R07
OPPOSE ILLIANA**

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO PASS RESOLUTION 15-R07 – A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PEOTONE, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, OPPOSING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ILLIANA EXPRESSWAY. JONES, MARCH, HACK, FORSYTHE, AND HUPKE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE BOARD HAD DISCUSSED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS REQUESTING THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION TO VACATE AND/OR RESCIND THE RECORD OF DECISION REGARDING THE ILLIANA EXPRESSWAY.

**RES. 15-R08
REQUEST TO RESCIND ROD**

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO PASS RESOLUTION 15-R08 – A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PEOTONE, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, REQUESTING THAT THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION VACATE AND/OR RESCIND ITS ILLIANA CORRIDOR TIER TWO RECORD OF DECISION. FORSYTHE, HACK, MARCH, JONES, AND HUPKE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE BOARD DISCUSSED AT A PREVIOUS MEETING THE VILLAGE ORDINANCE REGARDING PARKWAY TREES. THE ORDINANCE CONTAINED NO MINIMUM HEIGHT ABOVE THE SIDEWALKS OR THE STREETS. THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE TO INCLUDE A MINIMUM HEIGHT OF SEVEN FEET ABOVE THE SIDEWALK.

**ORD. 15-08
TREE TRIMMING**

MOTION BY MARCH, SECONDED BY JONES, TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 15-08 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE IX, CHAPTER 98, SECTION 98.02 OF THE CODE OF PEOTONE: TRIMMING TREES. MARCH, JONES, HUPKE, FORSYTHE, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

A PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE IS A STATE REQUIREMENT. THE CURRENT JUNE WAGE RATES FOR WILL COUNTY WHICH REFLECT THE STANDARDS RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WERE INCORPORATED IN THE ORDINANCE FOR THE VILLAGE.

**ORD. 15-09
PREVAILING WAGE**

MOTION BY HACK, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 15-09 – AN ORDINANCE OF PREVAILING WAGE. HACK, HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, AND FORSYTHE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE BOARD DISCUSSED THIS YEAR’S SIDEWALK PROGRAM. \$50,000.00 HAS BEEN BUDGETED FOR THE PROGRAM. THE SIDEWALKS TARGETED FOR THE PROGRAM ARE ON PORTIONS OF N. SECOND STREET, E. CRAWFORD STREET, W. NORTH STREET, AND CONRAD AVENUE.

SIDEWALK

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO APPROVE \$50,000.00 FOR THE 2015 SIDEWALK PROGRAM AND TO AUTHORIZE ROBINSON ENGINEERING TO PREPARE THE SPECIFICATIONS AND BIDDING PROCESS. FORSYTHE, HACK, MARCH, JONES, AND HUPKE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE 2015 TREE SERVICE CONTRACT WAS ADVERTISED MAY 28, 2015, AND BID DOCUMENTS WERE AVAILABLE THROUGH JUNE 17, 2015. FOUR BID PACKETS WERE PICKED UP AND TWO PACKETS WERE SUBMITTED FOR THE JUNE 18, 2015, BID OPENING; THE WEIGHTED BID FROM AAA TREE SERVICE WAS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$326.55 AND FROM FOUR SEASONS TREE CARE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$373.10.

TREE SERVICE CONTRACT

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO AWARD THE 2015 TREE SERVICE BID TO THE LOWEST BIDDER, AAA TREE SERVICE WITH THE WEIGHTED BID AMOUNT OF \$326.55. FORSYTHE, HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

FOUR LETTERS OF INTEREST FOR THE VACANT TRUSTEE SEAT HAD BEEN RECEIVED. PRESIDENT CROSS INTERVIEWED THE APPLICANTS. PRESIDENT CROSS CALLED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF PATRICK BOWDEN AS VILLAGE TRUSTEE STATING HIS DECISION WAS BASED ON MR. BOWDEN’S BUSINESS EXPERIENCE.

APPOINT TRUSTEE

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF PATRICK BOWDEN AS VILLAGE TRUSTEE. JONES, MARCH, HACK, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; FORSYTHE AND HUPKE VOTING NO; MOTION CARRIED.

MR. BOWDEN WILL BE SWORN IN AT THE NEXT MEETING.

PRESIDENT CROSS RESTRUCTURED THE COMMITTEES WITH THE ADDITION OF THE NEW TRUSTEE. PRESIDENT CROSS CALLED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – ROY HUPKE (CHAIRPERSON), PETER MARCH, AND PATRICK BOWDEN; PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – KEVIN HACK (CHAIRPERSON), CHRIS FORSYTHE, AND MICHAEL JONES; POLICE / PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – PETER MARCH (CHAIRPERSON), KEVIN HACK, AND ROY HUPKE; BUILDING COMMITTEE – MICHAEL JONES (CHAIRPERSON), CHRIS FORSYTHE, AND PATRICK BOWDEN; AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – PRESIDENT CROSS (CHAIRPERSON), MICHAEL JONES, AND PETER MARCH.

RE-APPOINT COMMITTEES

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY HUPKE TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE – ROY HUPKE (CHAIRPERSON), PETER MARCH, AND PATRICK BOWDEN; PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – KEVIN HACK (CHAIRPERSON), CHRIS FORSYTHE, AND MICHAEL JONES; POLICE / PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – PETER MARCH (CHAIRPERSON), KEVIN HACK, AND ROY HUPKE; BUILDING COMMITTEE – MICHAEL JONES (CHAIRPERSON), CHRIS FORSYTHE, AND PATRICK BOWDEN; AND COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – PRESIDENT CROSS (CHAIRPERSON), MICHAEL JONES, AND PETER MARCH. JONES, HUPKE, MARCH, AND HACK VOTING AYE; FORSYTHE VOTING NO; MOTION CARRIED.

THE WATER/SEWER BILLS WILL BE MAILED THE END OF JUNE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 30, 2015, AT 6:30 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEATING THE NEWLY APPOINTED TRUSTEE AND HIRING A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

TRUSTEE HUPKE EXPLAINED HIS REASON FOR VOTING NO. HE STATED THAT HE THOUGHT HIS CHOICE FOR TRUSTEE WOULD HAVE BROUGHT A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE TO THIS BOARD. HE THOUGHT HIS CHOICE WOULD HAVE MADE THIS BOARD A NON-BIAS BOARD WITHOUT SAYING WHO HIS CHOICE IS.

PRESIDENT CROSS RESPONDED THAT BY MAKING THAT COMMENT, TRUSTEE HUPKE WAS SAYING THAT THE APPOINTMENT OF THE PERSON TO THE BOARD SOMEHOW MAKES THE BOARD A BIAS BOARD, WHICH HE DOESN'T BELIEVE IT DOES. HE STATED THAT IT WAS HIS RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF THE BEST POSSIBLE PERSON HE FELT COULD TAKE THAT SEAT. HE DIDN'T FEEL THAT THIS APPOINTMENT MAKES THIS BOARD BIASED IN ANY WAY; HE FELT IT MAKES THIS BOARD A STRONGER BOARD. HE STATED THAT WHAT WE NEED TO DO FROM THIS MINUTE ON IS TO MOVE FORWARD AS A BOARD. WE ARE ELECTED TO DO ONE JOB; TO REPRESENT THE PEOPLE OF THIS VILLAGE TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY. WE'RE HERE TO MAKE PEOTONE A BETTER PLACE FOR EVERYBODY. HE STATED THAT HE WILL DO EVERYTHING IN HIS POWER TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN AND HE HOPED THAT EVERY TRUSTEE HAD THE SAME FEELING.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 7:37 P.M. FORSYTHE, HACK, MARCH, JONES, AND HUPKE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Donna Werner
Village Clerk