

**VILLAGE OF PEOTONE  
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD  
MINUTES OF JANUARY 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. JONES, DR. MARCH, MR. BOWDEN, AND MR. HAMM. TRUSTEE HACK ARRIVED AT 7:04 P.M. TRUSTEE HUPKE WAS ABSENT. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ADMINISTRATOR, ENGINEER, MR. BETTENHAUSEN, AND MR. GREEN.

**ROLL CALL**

MOTION BY BOWDEN, SECONDED BY HAMM, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14, 2015, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. BOWDEN, HAMM, JONES, AND MARCH, VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**MINUTES**

MOTION BY MARCH, SECONDED BY JONES, TO RATIFY THE PAYROLL AND TO RATIFY PAYMENT OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FROM THE CANCELLED DECEMBER 28, 2015, BOARD MEETING AS PRESENTED. MARCH, JONES, BOWDEN, AND HAMM VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**PAYROLL & ACCTS. PAYABLE**

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

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

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

**REPORTS**

ENGINEER REPORT - SUBMITTALS ARE READY TO BE SUBMITTED TO IDOT REGARDING THE RTE. 50 / CORNING AVE. TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT.

TRUSTEE HACK AND THE ATTORNEY ARRIVED AT 7:04 P.M.

MR. FERRIER HAD SUBMITTED A FENCE VARIANCE REQUEST FOR A PRIVACY FENCE AT 114 N. FIRST STREET.

**RES. 15-R11  
FENCE VARIANCE  
114 N. FIRST**

MOTION BY HAMM, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO PASS RESOLUTION 15-R11 - A RESOLUTION REGARDING A VARIANCE FOR THE ALLOWABLE FENCING AT 114 N. FIRST STREET. HAMM, MARCH, BOWDEN, HACK, AND JONES VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MR. RODGER GREEN, THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH SPECIALIST FROM KANKAKEE COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC. EXPLAINED THAT HE IS NEW IN HIS POSITION AND IS REACHING OUT TO THE TOWNSHIPS AND VILLAGES FOR SUPPORT OF THE MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM FOR THE SENIORS. HE STATED THAT THERE ARE NINE SENIORS ON THE WAITING LIST WITH THE 60468 ZIP CODE. HE DID NOT KNOW IF THOSE SENIORS WERE WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS OR IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. HE STATED THAT FIVE MEALS PER WEEK WERE DELIVERED TO THE SENIORS WITH NO FINANCIAL BURDEN TO THEM. IN THE OUTLYING AREAS THE FIVE MEALS ARE DELIVERED FROZEN. THE ORGANIZATION'S FUNDING STARTS AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL ON DOWN THROUGH THE STATE AND THE COUNTY AND THE

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH  
RODGER GREEN  
MEALS ON WHEELS**

TOWNSHIPS. WHEN ASKED IF PEOTONE AND WILL TOWNSHIPS PARTICIPATED, HE DID NOT KNOW. HE STATED THAT IF THE VILLAGE WISHED TO SPONSOR THE SENIORS IN THE VILLAGE FOR THE MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM, THE COST WOULD BE \$9.00 PER MEAL. HE ALSO STATED THAT THEY WERE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE PROGRAM.

PRESIDENT CROSS STATED THAT WE APPRECIATED HIM CONTACTING THE VILLAGE AND WE WOULD LET HIM KNOW IF WE WOULD PARTICIPATE.

THE SCHEDULE FOR PREPARING THE 2016/2017 BUDGET WAS DISCUSSED BEGINNING WITH THE WORKSHEETS DISTRIBUTION TO THE DEPARTMENT HEADS ON JANUARY 12<sup>th</sup>, THE FEBRUARY 27<sup>th</sup> CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT MEETING, THE MARCH REVIEWS AND THE MARCH 28<sup>th</sup> BUDGET APPROVAL.

**BUDGET MEETINGS**

THE MEYERS GLEN POND WAS DISCUSSED AS IT PERTAINED TO THE HOMEOWNERS' STATEMENT THAT THEY COULD DISSOLVE THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND NOT DEAL WITH THE POND MAINTENANCE. THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY STATED THAT HE HAD SENT THE ADMINISTRATOR AN EMAIL REGARDING THE ISSUE. WE COULD ALWAYS LIEN THE PROPERTIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE POND. THE ENGINEERING FIRM WOULD NEED TO LOOK AT THE POND TO DETERMINE WHAT WORK NEEDED TO BE DONE.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

HANOVER PARK WAS THE CHOICE FOR THE BIKE RIDE DISCUSSED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

MR. CARTER BETTENHAUSEN COMMENTED ON THE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS EVENT AND STATED THAT IT WOULD BE NICE IF THE VILLAGE WOULD HAVE AN EASTER PARADE IN THE SPRING WITH THE EASTER BUNNY.

**MR. BETTENHAUSEN**

PRESIDENT CROSS STATED THAT THE VILLAGE PLANNED THREE EVENTS LAST YEAR AND WERE PLANNING THREE FOR THIS YEAR.

MOTION BY HACK, SECONDED BY BOWDEN, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:29 P.M. TO DISCUSS THE COMPENSATION OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC BODY. HACK, BOWDEN, HAMM, MARCH, AND JONES VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY BOWDEN, TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 7:46 P.M. JONES, BOWDEN, HACK, HAMM, AND MARCH VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY HACK, SECONDED BY HAMM, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 7:48 P.M. HACK, HAMM, BOWDEN, JONES, AND MARCH VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Donna Werner  
Village Clerk