

VILLAGE OF PEOTONE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES OF MARCH 23, 2020

THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX HALL, 208 E. MAIN STREET, PEOTONE, ILLINOIS; THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT, STEVEN CROSS, PRESIDING. THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE: MR. JONES, DR. MARCH, MR. PARKER, MR. HAMM, AND MR. BOWDEN. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ADMINISTRATOR, AND TREASURER.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOTION BY BOWDEN, SECONDED BY PARKER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 24, 2020, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AS WRITTEN. BOWDEN, PARKER, JONES, MARCH, AND HAMM VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

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THE BOARD REVIEWED A DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED 2020/2021 WORKING BUDGET. THE ADMINISTRATOR EXPLAINED THAT WE HAVE VERY LIMITED RESOURCES WITH WHICH TO WORK. SHE THANKED THE TREASURER AND STAFF FOR THE WORK IN PUTTING THE BUDGET TOGETHER. THE TREASURER EXPLAINED THAT WE WERE AT A NEGATIVE \$815,000.00. SHE EXPLAINED THE REVENUE SOURCES. SHE INQUIRED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO USE THE FUNDS FROM THE SALE OF THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS TO MAKE UP THE DEFICIT. THE BOARD DISCUSSED NEW TAX REVENUE SOURCES SUCH AS FRANCHISE FEES FOR AQUA ILLINOIS AND FOR HOMEWOOD DISPOSAL. RAISING SALES TAX WAS DISCUSSED. SELLING THE NEW PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING WAS DISCUSSED. TRUSTEE MARCH THOUGHT IT WOULD TAKE \$20,000.00 TO \$25,000.00 TO FINISH THE BUILDING SO WE COULD USE IT, BUT ESTIMATED THAT WE WOULD LOSE \$50,000.00 IF WE SOLD THE BUILDING. THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE POLICE PENSION FUND AND WHETHER TO CONTRIBUTE THE AMOUNT PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED OR TO CONTRIBUTE LESS. THE NEW TRUCK STOP WAS DISCUSSED AS IT PERTAINED TO THE EXPECTED REVENUE. WITH THE IDOT REQUIREMENT FOR ROAD WIDENING AND TURNING LANES THE PROJECT WILL BE HELD UP. FRANCHISE FEES AND UTILITY TAX WILL BE LOOKED INTO. THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS TO GO AHEAD WITH THE WORKING BUDGET AS PRESENTED AND TO USE THE WATER/SEWER SALE FUNDS TO MAKE UP THE DEFICIT.

2020/2021 BUDGET

MOTION BY MARCH, SECONDED BY JONES, TO ADJOURN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AT 7:07 P.M. MARCH, JONES, PARKER, HAMM, AND BOWDEN VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Donna Werner
Village Clerk