

VILLAGE OF PEOTONE

REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD

Minutes of January 22, 2024

I. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor March at 6:00 pm.

II. Roll call

Village Clerk, Stacey Hartwell, conducted the roll call and following persons were present: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg and Trustee Sluis. Also, present were the Mayor, the Village Administrator, the Village Attorney and the Police Chief.

III. Public Comments:

Barb Sim, President of the Peotone Park District, was present. She had an informational handout and spoke about the decision the Park District board made to go out for a referendum in March to ask for a tax increase of .0547 to help with new playground equipment, ball field improvements and vehicle maintenance. They have created a 20-year plan and also have some grant funding. It has already been presented to the County Clerks Office and will be on the March ballot. The Park District will have multiple public meetings to present information to attendees. She asked for the support of the Village, the trustees and resident's support. The Village Attorney reminded the Village Board that away from the meeting as individual residents they can support and discuss but at the meeting they cannot comment or take a position on it as it is considered prohibited political activity under state law.

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve the Minutes of the January 8, 2024, Regular Village Board meeting.
- B. Approve Payroll/Accounts Payable
- C. Approve Raffle License, Tractors for A Cure, 2/4 Raffles Per Calendar Year
- D. Approve Raffle License, Game On Bar & Grill, 5/More Per Calendar Year
- E. Approve Special Event, Game On Bar & Grill, Golf Cart Bingo Pub Crawl Fundraiser for the Bias Family, February 3, 2024, 11AM-2:30PM

Moved by Trustee Sluis, Seconded by Trustee Richards

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Sluis

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Strba

Motion passed

V. Staff Committee Reports:

- A. Public Works** – Had handout in packet, also asked all residents to not place snow in the street as it causes issues for drivers.
- B. Administrator, Chief, and Building/Code** – All had handouts presented in the board packet.
- C. Engineer** – Troy was not present, but the Mayor said he had relayed that the bid opening for the downtown streetscape has been pushed back one week. Nine contractors have picked up packets and the bid opening will be February 1st, 2024.

D. Christmas Committee – There was a wrap up meeting on January 17th, this year will be the 10th Annual Christmas in the Village and the date is December 14th, 2024.

VI. Mayor's Comments: None

VII. Old Business: None

VIII. New Business:

Mayor March moved item G (Approve New Business Registration for Village Realty Inc., 423 S. Governors Highway, Peotone IL) on the Agenda up to First Item.

A. Approve New Business Registration for Village Realty Inc., 423 S. Governors Highway, Peotone IL

Moved by Trustee Hudson, Seconded by Trustee Sluis

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Sluis

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Strba

Motion passed

B. Capital Improvement Plan Workshop

A handout was presented in the packet and Annmarie Mampe was present to answer any questions. This is the beginning of the budget process and is the budget proposed by staff at this time. An overview was given of the various funds and funding sources. Board consensus was to move forward.

For Items C, D and E: The Police Chief gave an overview as the three ordinances on the agenda all work together with adjudication. Currently ordinance tickets go to court in Frankfort where the judge makes a decision, and we have to pay court costs. Adjudication will be handled in house and the Village will have more control and will help work with residents for collection. Peotone would combine with Beecher and split the cost of the adjudicator, this would also absorb administrative tows. This would not be adding any employees, but the Village would be paying a portion of the adjudicator cost which will be approximately \$100 more a month than we currently pay for tow hearings but the Village will be capturing more of the fines instead of the Court collecting and there will be more personal attention to the community and the residents will have lower fees. There was discussion about removing the late penalty as there is a fee schedule and the Attorney will make changes to the Ordinance.

C. Approve Ordinance Amending the Village Code Relative to Administrative Adjudication of Municipal Ordinance and Building Code Violations

Moved by Trustee Sluis, Seconded by Trustee Richards

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Sluis

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Strba

Motion passed

D. Approve Ordinance Amending the Village Code to Create a New Chapter 73 Relative to the Administrative Adjudication of Standing, Parking, and Vehicle Compliance Regulation Violations

Moved by Trustee Sluis, Seconded by Trustee Hudson

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Sluis

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Strba
Motion passed

E. Approve Ordinance Adding a New Section 10.23 (Collection Fees and Costs) to Chapter 10 (General Provisions) of Title 1 (General Provisions) of the Village Code Regarding the Imposition of Collection Fees and Costs

Moved by Trustee Sluis, Seconded by Trustee Richards
Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Sluis,
Nays: None
Absent: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Strba
Motion passed

F. Close Regular Session to Go into Closed Session For:

- a. Discussion of Minutes of Meetings Lawfully Closed Under OMA, Whether for Purposes of Approval by the Body of the Minutes or Semi-Annual Review of the Minutes as Mandated by Section 2.06 (5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(21))**
- b. Discuss the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body**

Moved by Trustee Sluis, Seconded by Trustee Richards
Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Sluis
Nays: None
Absent: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Strba
Motion passed

G. Return to Regular Session:

Moved by Trustee Hudson, Seconded by Trustee Sluis
Roll Call Vote: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Sluis
Nays: None
Absent: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Strba
Motion passed

IX. Questions of the Press: None

X. Correspondence/Communications/Petitions: None

XI. Adjournment:

Motion by Trustee Sluis, Seconded by Trustee Richards
All said AYE
Nays: None
Absent: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Strba
Adjournment at 7:16pm