

**VILLAGE OF PEOTONE**  
**REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD**  
Minutes of March 11, 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 the following persons were present: Trustee Hudson, Trustee Marevka, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Sluis and Trustee Strba. Also, present were the Mayor, the Village Administrator and the Village Attorney.

**III. Presentation of Certificates of Achievement for FFA State Champions Emma Bialo, Avery Klecka and Mark Jones II**

**IV. Public Comments:** None

**V. Approval of Consent Agenda:**

- A. Approve the Minutes of the February 26, 2024, Regular Village Board meeting.
- B. Approve Payroll/Accounts Payable

Moved by Trustee Marevka, Seconded by Trustee Sluis

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed

**VI. Staff Committee Reports:**

- A. **Engineer** – There will be a pre-con meeting on Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> and then will have a better idea of the construction schedule and plan. Nicor relocation is complete other than the restoration.

**VII. Mayor's Comments:** The Village has spent the past ten days working with the PR Firm working on a postcard mailer and they will be in town Tuesday and Wednesday talking to businesses. There will be an open house on April 3, 2024 from 4pm-7pm at the Atrium that will provide information and details. There will be a groundbreaking Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup> after the pre-con meeting and possibly a second one at a later date to include the politicians that helped the Village get the grant.

**VIII. Old Business:** None

**IX. New Business:**

- A. **Public Hearing on 2025 Fiscal Year Budget** – Motion by Trustee Sluis, Seconded by Trustee Marevka, all voted Aye
  - a. **Call to Order** – Mayor stated all trustees still present from beginning of meeting
  - b. **Review of Budget Details** – Mayor gave overview of budget details
  - c. **Board Comments, Questions, Discussion** - None
  - d. **Public Comments, Questions, Discussion** - None

e. **Close Public Hearing** – Motion by Trustee Sluis, Seconded by Trustee Hudson, all voted Aye

**B. Ordinance Approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Village of Peotone Budget (April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024)**

Moved by Trustee Hudson, Seconded by Trustee Richards

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed

**C. Discuss Possible Honorary Street Sign Designation**

Mayor stated there had been a request from a resident and as there was nothing currently in place it was brought to the board for discussion. Sample application and guidelines included the following: one year term, fee of \$300 for the cost of the sign and installation by public works, sign would be taken down after one year and given to applicant, maximum of two signs per year and one sign per street pole, and reason why requesting. The Public Works Manager clarified that it would be a brown colored sign and it would be posted below the official street sign on the post and there would be no restrictions on locations. An ordinance and application will be created and brought to the board for final approval.

**D. Approve Certificate of Authority to Enter into Contract with the State of Illinois for the CY2024-CY2025 Joint Purchase Master Contract for Rock Salt**

Moved by Trustee Marevka, Seconded by Trustee Strba

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed

**E. Approve Estimate in the Amount of \$17,350.78 from EJ Equipment to Repair Street Sweeper**

There was an issue with the street sweeper in the fall and it was brought in for inspection, the epoxy was flaking off the wear lines and propeller need to be replaced. Public Works Manager, Bob Hennke, stated a new sweeper would cost over \$300,000 and there was no cause as to why issues happened and he will push for a warranty. EJ Equipment was selected as they are a certified dealer for repairs.

Moved by Trustee Hudson, Seconded by Trustee Sluis

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed

**F. Approve Ordinance Amending Section 31.093 (Responsibilities and Duties) of the Code of Peotone Relative to Administrative Spending Authority**

Currently the Village Administrator can approve up to \$5,000 of budgeted expenses, the State allows up to \$25,000 of that authority. The Village Attorney stated that the amount of \$5,000 was from a long time ago and the State currently has it up to \$20,000, he also stated that in cases of emergency it can be done without a code change. Trustee Sandberg stated in his research local communities authorize \$3,000-

\$5,000 and the closest to \$25,000 was North Aurora. There was discussion about possibly authorizing an amount in the middle but after discussion there was no motion and the amount will remain at \$5,000.

**G. Motion to Approve Memorandum of Agreement Between the Will County Emergency Telephone System Board and the Village of Peotone Regarding the Use of Will County’s Mass Notification System for Non-Emergency Notification Purposes**

Everbridge is a program that Will County EMA uses to notify the community of emergencies and they also offer to communities to use for non-emergencies for a cost of \$1,500 per year. Residents would need to sign up.

Moved by Trustee Strba, Seconded by Trustee Richards

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed

**H. Approve Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Titel XI (Business Regulations) of the Code of Peotone Relative to Dates of Licensing Year**

During licensing renewals it was noticed that the Tobacco License, Video Gaming License and Home Occupation License were all on different schedules than the Business Registration and Liquor Licenses, this would have them all due during the same time periods.

Moved by Trustee Marevka, Seconded by Trustee Sluis

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Marevka, Trustee Richards, Trustee Sluis, Mayor March

Nays: Trustee Sandberg, Trustee Strba

Abstain: Trustee Hudson

Absent: None

Motion passed

**X. Questions of the Press:** None

**XI. Correspondence/Communications/Petitions:** None

**XII. Adjournment:**

Motion by Trustee Marevka, Seconded by Trustee Strba

All said AYE

Nays: None

Absent: None

Adjournment at 6:30pm