

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
March 2, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Hampshire was called to order by Village President Michael J. Reid, Jr. at 7:00 p.m. in the Village of Hampshire Village Board Room, 234 S. State Street, on Thursday, March 2, 2023.

Roll call by Village Clerk Vasquez:

Present: Aaron Kelly, Toby Koth, Lionel Mott, Laura Pollastrini, and Erik Robinson

Present electronically: Heather Fodor

Absent: None

A quorum was established.

In addition, present in-person were Village Manager Jay Hedges, and Assistant to the Village Manager Josh Wray, Village Attorney Mark Schuster, Finance Director Lori Lyons, and Police Chief Doug Pann. Also, present electronically: Tim Paulson from EEI.

President Reid led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Trustee Mott moved to approve the minutes of February 16, 2023.

Seconded by Trustee Robinson

Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ayes: Fodor, Kelly, Mott, Pollastrini, and Robinson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstained: Koth

POLICE PROMOTIONS

Swearing in of James Neblock as Police Lieutenant

President Reid read Mr. Neblock's bio to the audience. Police Chief Pann sworn in Lt. Neblock. Lt. Neblock introduced his family to everyone.

Swearing in of Cody Grindley as Police Sergeant

President Reid read Mr. Grindley bio also to the audience. Police Pann sworn in Sgt. Grindley. Sgt. Grindley introduced his family to everyone.

VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

A Ordinance Amending Village Code Chapter 5: Building Regulations. Regarding Automatic Sprinklers Systems in Storage and Business Structures

Trustee Kelly asked if downtown businesses with residences above them would be required to have sprinklers. HFPD Chief Herrmann noted that would be a mixed use, which this ordinance doesn't speak to, so he and Village staff will have to confirm. The Board was comfortable moving forward with this ordinance with the understanding that staff will check on this question and bring it back to the Board if it needs to be addressed.

Trustee Koth moved to approve Ordinance 23-03: Amending Village Code Chapter 5: Building Regulations, Regarding Automatic Sprinklers Systems in Storage and Business Structure

Seconded by Trustee Mott
Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Fodor, Kelly, Koth, Mott, Pollastrini, and Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None

A Resolution Authorizing a Grant Application to the FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program for a Storm Sewer Infrastructure Project at the Intersection of Rinn Avenue and Park Street

Trustee Koth moved to approve Resolution 23-04: Authorizing a Grant Application to the FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program for a Storm Sewer Infrastructure Project at the Intersection of Rinn Avenue and Park Street.

Seconded by Trustee Fodor
Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Fodor, Kelly, Koth, Mott, Pollastrini, and Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None

A Motion to Approve a Professional Services Agreement with UrbanHydro Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$25,900 for Grant Application and Administration Services for the Park & Rinn Storm Sewer Infrastructure Project

Trustee Robinson moved to approve a Professional Services Agreement with UrbanHydro Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$25,900 for Grant Application and Administration Services for the Park & Rinn Storm Sewer Infrastructure Project

Seconded by Trustee Mott
Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Fodor, Kelly, Koth, Mott, Pollastrini, and Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None

At this time, President Reid asked to change the agenda and move the presentation under New Business to the next item so Mr. Fannon does not have to wait any longer. The Board consented.

A Presentation by Garrod Fannon of Harps Lounge for Outdoor Seating

Mr. Fannon explained he would have a gated area in the front of his business to allow for outdoor seating at his bar. It would include two cement blocks to help keep the customers safe from the parking lot traffic. The Board was in favor of changing the liquor regulations to allow this, so staff will draft an ordinance and bring it back to the Board for consideration.

A Discussion of False Alarms Fines

Mr. Wray presented the fines over the last 3 years and explained how the fines are currently assessed. Three of the schools were the highest among the several entities with false alarms. President Reid explained that the teachers are going in after hours and some might forget the code to keep the alarm from going off. Mr. Hedges will talk to the school principals and see

what we can do to help them reduce the false alarms before the Board considers raising the fines.

STAFF MONTHLY REPORTS

Staff presented the monthly reports, and the Board asked several questions.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A Motion to Approve the March 2, 2023 Regular Accounts Payable

Trustee Koth moved to approve the Accounts Payable in the sum of \$111,605.41 paid on or before March 8, 2023.

Seconded by Trustee Robinson
Motion carried by roll call vote.
Ayes: Fodor, Kelly, Koth, Mott, Pollastrini, and Robinson
Nays: None
Absent: None

COMMITTEE / COMMISSION REPORTS

- a) Business Development Commission - BDC will meet March 8 at 6:30 p.m.
- b) Public Relations - No report
- c) Public Works - No report
- d) Budget Committee - Trustee Pollastrini reported the next Budget Committee meeting will be March 7 at 6 p.m., and it will be posted as a working session of the Board. All are welcomed to attend. Ms. Lyons will not be here for the next Village Board meeting, so staff plans to present the budget to the Board on April 6.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Reid commended Mr. Mroch for running an excellent Planning and Zoning Commission meeting at Hampshire Middle School. There were nearly 200 people in attendance, and approximately 50 people spoke during the public hearings for the Light property zoning petition. Pres. Reid also noted that business will come to the Village Board soon, and that meeting will also need to be held at the Hampshire Middle School.

Trustee Mott asked if the My Hampshire app could have an "Other" in the report an issue section for things not otherwise listed. He wanted to report a barricade not working but did not know which heading to use. Mr. Hedges said the Public Relations planned to discuss this topic.

President Reid thanked the Historical Society for putting up the pictures in the Village Hall hallway; this was something he wanted to see for a long time.

Mr. Hedges reported that the new light poles in downtown will have mounts for flags that were fabricated by the Streets Dept. rather than drilling holes into the new sidewalk. President Reid said the Boy Scouts have agreed to put the Village's flags up for the US Flag holidays they normally do.

Trustee Kelly wished everyone Happy Holi - a Hindu holiday.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Kelly moved to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 8:37 p.m.


Seconded by Trustee Pollastrini

Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ayes: Fodor, Kelly, Koth, Mott, Pollastrini, and Robinson

Nays: None

Absent: None



Linda Vasquez, Village Clerk