

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
September 7, 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, September 7, 2023.

Roll call by Deputy Village Clerk Josh Wray:

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

Absent: None

A quorum was established.

In addition, present in-person were Village Manager Jay Hedges, Village Attorney James Vasselli, and Police Chief Doug Pann. Finance Director Lori Lyons and Village Engineer Tim Paulson attended remotely.

President Reid led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Village Clerk Linda Vasquez spoke a few words on her time with the Village. She thanked all the trustees and staff, past and present, for making it a wonderful experience. Everyone clapped for Ms. Vasquez and congratulated her on her retirement.

Cynthia Rafkind commented on the Light annexation and zoning petitions, expressing her desire for further studies to be done prior to the Board's consideration of approval and her support for rezoning the property to a business district rather than to any industrial district.

MINUTES

Trustee Pollastrini moved to approve the minutes of August 17, 2023.

Seconded by Trustee Fodor

Motion carried by roll call vote.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

APPOINTMENTS

A Motion to Approve the Reappointment of Karen Trzaska to the Business Development Commission for a Three-Year Term

Trustee Koth asked if there is any conflict of interest since Ms. Trzaska is on the Carpentersville business commission. Pres. Reid and Trustee Kelly said no, and they actually see it as a benefit since she can bring that additional perspective to Hampshire.

Trustee Kelly moved to approve the reappointment of Karen Trzaska to the Business Development Commission for a Three-Year Term.

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

VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

An Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 6 of the Municipal Code of Hampshire of 1985 Regarding Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Within the Village of Hampshire, Kane County, Illinois

Mr. Hedges reiterated that these code changes are part of the EV Readiness program sponsored by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus to help the Village be ready for EV charging as it becomes more popular. One hope of participating in the program is that it will make the Village more competitive for grant funding in the future. The trustees asked several questions about the proposed amendment.

Trustee Pollastrini noted that the findings of fact from the PZC hearing state there were no public comments during the hearing for this amendment; she inquired as to what the evidence was for recommending this amendment. Mr. Hedges response that substantially the same information being presented by staff tonight was presented to the PZC.

Trustee Mott noted that he is seeing residential solar quotes include capacity for at-home charging stations, so EVs are becoming more prevalent from that perspective.

Trustee Fodor moved to approve Ordinance No. 23-09: an ordinance amending various sections of Chapter 6 of the Municipal Code of Hampshire of 1985 regarding electric vehicle charging stations within the Village of Hampshire, Kane County, Illinois.

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

An Ordinance Proposing the Enlargement of Special Service Area #21 in the Village of Hampshire and Providing for a Public Hearing and Other Procedures in Connection therewith (Crown-Oakstead-Subdivision)

Trustee Kelly noted that this action simply expands the existing SSA for Oakstead to include the additional property that was annexed, and that the SSA is required by the Kane County Stormwater Ordinance.

Trustee Robinson moved to approve Ordinance No. 23-10: an ordinance proposing the enlargement of special service area #21 in the Village of Hampshire and providing for a public hearing and other procedures in connection therewith.

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

A Motion to Approve a Bond Reduction for Public Improvements at Big Timber Elementary School in the Amount of \$223,600.53 to \$174,347.27; 10% of the Original Bond of \$1,743,472.70

Trustee Robinson moved to approve a bond reduction for public improvements at Big Timber Elementary School in the amount of \$223,600.53 to \$174,347.27; 10% of the original bond of \$1,743,472.70.

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

STAFF REPORTS

There were a few questions about the staff reports.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A Motion to Approve the September 7, 2023 Accounts Payable to Personnel

Trustee Kelly moved to approve the Accounts Payable to personnel in the sum of \$93.54 to be paid on or before September 13, 2023.

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

A Motion to Approve the September 7, 2023 Regular Accounts Payable

Trustee Koth moved to approve the Accounts Payable in the sum of \$213,317.34 to be paid on or before September 13, 2023.

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

COMMITTEE / COMMISSION REPORTS

- a) Business Development Commission - Trustee Kelly announced the next BDC meeting for Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 6:30 PM at Village Hall.

Trustee Koth asked Trustee Kelly if the BDC would consider allocating some of the façade improvement grant funding towards a program to help businesses buy security cameras for the front of the buildings on State Street. Trustee Kelly said that being an exterior improvement to the façade could be considered in an application. Chief Pann noted that the Police Department has engaged in a trial for new security cameras

downtown.

- b) Public Works - Trustee Koth noted that the dry spell is causing the ground to be especially hard, which is forcing yellowjacket wasps into other areas like gardens, mulch, and bushes. People should just be aware and know that regular insect spray will not kill them.

Trustee Kelly asked if the Village has used all the contracted mosquito sprays for the season. Trustee Koth said yes due to the increase in West Nile virus. Mr. Hedges added that we can purchase another round of spraying if needed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Pollastrini asked if Chief Pann could provide a brief update on the recent crime uptick. Chief Pann did note there are several leads on the recent business burglary and the string of car burglaries. One car was stolen; the car was unlocked, and the keys were in it. Pres. Reid asked everyone to please lock their vehicles at night.

Mr. Hedges announced the next Village Board meeting on Thursday, September 21, 2023, will be held at 7 PM at the Hampshire Middle School gymnasium to accommodate the expected public attendance for the Light annexation and zoning petitions. There will also be other Village business on the agenda that night.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was held.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Fodor moved to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Seconded by Trustee Mott
Motion carried by voice vote.


Josh Wray, Deputy Village Clerk