

VILLAGE OF HAMPSHIRE - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2009

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Hampshire was called to order by Village President Jeffrey Magnussen at 7:00 p.m. in the Village of Hampshire Village Board Room, 234 S. State Street, on Thursday, March 19, 2009.

Present: George Brust, Martin Ebert, Jan Kraus, Orris Ruth, Ed Szydlowski.

Absent: Karyn Danielson

Staff & Consultants present: Village Administrator Eric Palm, and Village Engineer Brad Sanderson.

A quorum was established.

Village President Magnussen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Village President Magnussen commended Hampshire Police Officers Jim Neblock and Brian Haydysch for their recent involvement in the apprehension of two individuals who were selling cannabis in Hampshire.

Acting Police Chief Thompson reported that this case started February 25, 2009. Officer Neblock made a marijuana arrest by the truck stop and through his investigation learned of some other dealings in Hampshire. The Police Department put Officer Haydysch undercover to purchase some cannabis from two specific individuals. Last Monday these two individuals were arrested under two felonies and two misdemeanors. Acting Police Chief Thompson also thanked Sergeant Jones and Ferguson who both assisted in the apprehension of these individuals.

Village President Magnussen reminded everyone the Village has a leaf burning ban with zero tolerance.

Village President Magnussen reminded candidates for local office that political signs placed in the parkway is illegal and will be removed by the Village.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Bills Payable

Trustee Kraus moved, to approve bills payables in the amount of \$788,877.28 to be paid on or before March 16, 2009.

Seconded by Trustee Brust
Motion carried by roll call vote
Ayes: Brust, Ebert, Kraus, Ruth, Szydlowski.
Nays: None
Absent: Danielson

Trade-in 1999 New Holland Backhoe

Trustee Ebert moved, to approve Resolution 09-12; authorizing sale by trade-in of certain surplus property of the village, to wit: a 1999 New Holland backhoe.

Seconded by Trustee Szydlowski
Motion carried by roll call vote
Ayes: Brust, Ebert, Kraus, Ruth, Szydlowski.
Nays: None
Absent: Danielson

Purchase New John Deere Model 410J Backhoe

Trustee Ebert moved to approve Resolution 09-13; authorizing the purchase of a new John Deere Model 410J Backhoe from West Side Tractor Sales Company in the amount of \$76,300.00 paid from Public Use Fund.

Seconded by Trustee Szydlowski
Motion carried by roll call vote
Ayes: Brust, Ebert, Kraus, Ruth, Szydlowski.
Nays: None
Absent: Danielson

New Professional Consultant for Auditing Services

Village Administrator Eric Palm recommended to the board that the Village engage Lauterbach & Amen as its auditor. Their firm provided the best research and investigation of our previous audit. They also provided comments and information regarding SSAs, bonds, and commitment to accrual accounting – although the Village will complete the current fiscal year on a cash basis. Lauterbach & Amen specializes in government accounting and auditing and does handle any private sector engagements. Their cost was the second lowest; and the staff recommendation is to engage Lauterbach and Amen for a three year agreement – with a two year option.

Trustee Brust moved, to approve Resolution 09-14; authorizing the engagement of Lauterbach & Amen, LLP as the Village's Auditor.

Seconded by Trustee Kraus
Motion carried by roll call vote
Ayes: Brust, Ebert, Kraus, Ruth, Szydlowski.
Nays: None
Absent: Danielson

VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report

VILLAGE ENGINEER'S REPORT

Village Administrator Eric Palm and Village Engineer reported to the board that there are stimulus funds available through the IEPA which may help Crown Community Development and the Village. The funding will be through an IEPA loan with no interest for the first twenty-five percent which would be forgiven if the project is selected.. The key projects would be; In-Town Water Main Replacement, North Interceptor Extension, Prairie Ridge Lift Station and Forcemain, US Route 20 Water Main Improvements and Well No. 7 and WTP Abandonment, and Oakstead Lift Station Forcemain and Gravity Sewer.

This would save the Village twenty-five percent or about one million dollars, however the Village will need to submit paper work for this project before the end of March, Village Board members reached a consensus that the Village Administrator should explore this option with the understanding that any change to the financing structure between the Village and Crown would need to come back to the Village Board for approval.

VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Economic Development

No report

b. Finance

Village Administrator Eric Palm reported Committee of the Whole will meet March 31 at 6 p.m. to discuss the fiscal year 2009-2010 budget.

c. Personnel

No report

d. Planning/Zoning

No report

e. Public Safety

No report

f. Public Works

No report

g. Village Services

Trustee Kraus announced a Village Service meeting March 31, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. for discussion on rain barrels; oil recycle program will be starting on April 4, 2009.

h. Field & Trails

No report

Executive Session

Trustee Kraus moved, to adjourn to executive session to discuss Sale or Lease of Real Property 2 (c) (6), Personnel 2 (c) (1), and Collective Bargaining 2 (c) (2) at 7:31 p.m.

Seconded by Trustee Szydowski

Motion carried by voice vote

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Absent: Danielson

The Village Board reconvened at 8:41 PM.

Collective bargaining agreement between the Fraternal Order of Police and The Village of Hampshire

Trustee Brust moved, to approve Resolution 09-15; Authorizing the ratification and execution of the collective bargaining agreement between the Fraternal Order of Police and The Village of Hampshire, Effective May 1, 2008 through April 30, 2012.

Seconded by Trustee Kraus

Motion carried by roll call vote
Ayes: Brust, Ebert, Kraus, Ruth, Szydowski.
Nays: None
Absent: Danielson

Trustee Szydowski moved, to direct Village Administrator Eric Palm to execute the compensation plan as discussed in executive session for the non-union full-time police staff members.

Seconded by Trustee Brust
Motion carried by roll call vote
Ayes: Brust, Ebert, Kraus, Ruth, Szydowski.
Nays: None
Absent: Danielson

Adjournment

Trustee Szydowski moved, to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Seconded by Trustee Kraus
Motion carried by voice vote
Ayes: All
Nays: None
Absent: Danielson

Linda R. Vasquez, Village Clerk