

VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ROCK ISLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ILLINOIS

January 8, 2024; 6:30 PM

BE IT REMEMBERED, THAT THERE CAME AND WAS HELD A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HAMPTON, ILLINOIS AT THE VILLAGE HALL:

Members present: President Bornhoeft

Trustee Mark White Trustee Paula McKay Trustee Rich Smice Trustee Ryan Gonzalez Trustee Steffanie Adams Clerk Michelle Reyes Attorney Maureen Riggs

Members absent: Trustee Schneckloth

Fire Chief David Johnson

Public Works Supervisor Eric Toalson

President Bornhoeft called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Clerk Reyes called the roll noting a quorum present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Meeting was held at the Village Hall.

Consideration and Approval of the minutes from the meeting of December 26, 2023. Motion by Trustee Adams, second by Trustee McKay to approve with changes to add President comments and change the date. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote. "Aye".

Consideration and approval of payment of Bills. Motion by Trustee Adams, second by Trustee Smice to approve the bills. Roll call as follows: McKay, White, Smice, Gonzalez and Adams: "Aye". Motion approved.

Acknowledgement of Visitors who wish to address the board. Stacy Jones made inquires regarding definition of AirBNB. President Bornhoeft clarified any policy for/against would be classified as short-term rental. Ms. Jones had questions regarding FirstNet and would there be digging at the old police department building. Ms. Jones asked for clarification of cell phone use and monies received to purchase cell phones for Board Members. President Bornhoeft stated that no board member was given their own cell phone. Board Members receive a stipend for compensation of usage on their personal phones.

Ms. Sansale questioned whereabouts of phones, bodycams, radios and any equipment at the old police department and what would happen to the cars as well. President Bornhoeft stated that all equipment was still on the premises and will be surplused, sold or repurposed.

Consideration and Approval of Health Care options for Full-Time employees. Trustee Gonzalez talked with Broker Jamie Hopkins. Looking at alternatives due to high out-of-pocket for employees. The Broker presented different options for insurance. Trustee Gonzalez stated that there would be an increase with either of the plans. Motion to go with the plan that has a 9.07% increase by Trustee McKay and Second by Trustee White. Roll call as follows, McKay, White, Smice, Gonzalez and Adams: "Aye". Motion approved

Consideration and Approval of FirstNet. Clerk Reyes reported that FirstNet is telephone services. Currently Village has Verizon. Clerk Reyes stated that there would be a decrease in all costs by switching to FirstNet. Clerk Reyes stated that FirstNet is a very reputable company. Motion to switch to FirstNet by Trustee White and second by Trustee Smice. Roll call as follows: McKay, White, Smice, Gonzalez and Adams: "Aye". Motion approved.

Discussion regarding AirBNB. President Bornhoeft gave example of fees and revenue that the Village would receive. Discussion regarding regulations not to be overly burdensome, licensing subject to inspection, safety codes, permits and inspections, occupancy taxes, Strict penalties for violations. Out-of-town owners would need to have onsite management. Parking and noise regulations specific to short-term-rentals. Clerk Reyes asked if the Village could impose a hotel/motel tax. There might be limitations regarding HOA. Discussion regarding residential/business. Limitations for communities that are not home-rule regarding AirBNB's. Resident stating concerns about their neighborhood dynamics changing due to constant traffic due to AirBNB's. Clerk Reyes stated that it is allowed in R2 Zoning.

Discussion, Consideration and Approval of Schedule of Budget Meetings. President Bornhoeft would like to continue board meetings with one department at a time. Round table discussions do not work for Trustee Adams. Clerk Reyes suggested going by departments. President Bornhoeft suggested First round table meeting with all department heads and then go a more condensed schedule after that. First meeting Tuesday, January 23^{,2} 2024 at 6:30 at The Heritage Center. Motion for the first Budget meeting at The Heritage Center on the January 23, 2024 at 6:30 by Trustee Adams and second by Trustee White. Passed by unanimous Voice Vote.

Discussion of Fire Hydrants replacement schedule. Trustee Adams would like to see that the fire hydrants be placed on a schedule to be replaced before they no longer work and the Village is in trouble.

NEW BUSINESS and Committee Reports.

Streets and Alleys: Trustee McKay everything is going good and we have plenty of salt.

Public Safety: Trustee White stated they are transitioning with Police Department going well. Residents would like signs for cars and bicycles on the bike path. Trustee White will look into the visibility issue.

Sheriff Report: Everything is going well.

Fire Chief Report: Chief Johnson is at training.

Finance: Trustee Adams stated to continue to work on budgets and have correct numbers.

Administration, Insurance and Code Enforcement: Trustee Smice stated everything is going well.

Public Works: Trustee Schneckloth absent.

Supervisor Report: Trustee Toalson absent. Out plowing.

Parks and Heritage Center: Trustee Gonzalez would like to look in to having an expo at The Heritage. Will be looking in to cost.

Clerk: Clerk Reyes stated that the Building Inspector will be retiring from us May 1, 2024. Will check in to other options for an inspector.

President's Report and Comments: President Bornhoeft discussed abandoned buildings and the enforcement of violations. Attorney stated that The Village had tools that could be utilized. They can be forced to demolish or repair according to State Laws. Excellent job to Public Works for road care.

Being no further business, motion by Trustee White to adjourn and go into Closed Session to discuss personnel pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 and possible litigation 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 11. Second by Trustee Smice. Motion approved by unanimous "Aye" vote. Motion carried. The Board adjourned at 7:44 PM

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Michelle Reyes, Clerk