

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF PHILO, ILLINOIS  
June 13, 2012

The meeting was called to order by President Craig Eckert at 7:10 p.m. at the R.E. Franks Meeting Center in the Eileen Painter room.

GUESTS: Leo Clennon, Herschel Hammerschmidt, Susan Helmink, Christine Walsh, David Traxler, Rod Schweighart, and Paul Hendren.

ROLL CALL: Present-Trustees John Mumma, Larry Franks, Steve Sappenfield, Pat Pioletti, Rachael Garrett, and Paul Brady.

MINUTES: Trustee Larry Franks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Paul Brady, to approve the minutes of May 9, 2012. Voice vote; all “ayes,” motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Trustee Pat Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Paul Brady, to approve the accounts payable as presented. Roll call vote; “ayes”, Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

HUGS & BUGS: Dorella Pruitt of Hugs & Bugs stated they will work with the Village or other organizations in regard to others being present during their daycare hours of operation. Attorney Hendren indicated President Eckert asked the Village Attorney to review the lease, especially in regard to risk to Hugs and Bugs students. Paul said it was clear that when students are using the gym or playground, it is *exclusive* to them based on the wording of the lease. Mr. Hendren also reminded the trustees that a 15 day notice is required to amend (the lease) by either party. Trustee Brady asked “Is it a problem if a group wants to schedule the playground say from 12 to 5?” It was noted there is no playground schedule and Hugs and Bugs must follow DCFS rules. President Eckert indicated Dorella said if they are given a “heads-up” she is willing to work with others. Hugs and Bugs has been a faithful tenant and added they have to be very careful of possible injuries, etc. and follow strict guidelines. Trustee Mumma sees no issue. Trustee Pioletti commented that the request can or can’t be okayed (by Hugs and Bugs), but added the lease says they have exclusive use. Trustee Brady said he has no opposition to the lease, but his concern was that there be a possibility (for others) to use during daylight hours. Trustee Sappenfield suggested posting a sign. Dorella Pruitt said there was no place for the group to go and the incident snowballed. Trustee Franks asked Steve Sappenfield to let the coaches know by posting on the Park Association’s website.

President Eckert indicated he will draft the message for the sign. Trustee Pioletti suggested it not be negative. Dorella thanked the Board for clarification of the lease.

VILLAGE ENGINEER: Dave Phillippe presented the proposed 2012 MFT work from suggestions of the Streets and Alley Committee. Trustee Pioletti questioned the amount of MFT funds available and Dave Phillippe explained it was based on the estimated amount to be received.

Trustee Larry Franks made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pat Pioletti, to approve the 2012 MFT Program as presented. Roll call vote; "Ayes" Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY: Paul reported that there has not been any significant activity in regard to the water rate increase intervention.

In regard to the property at 103 McKinley Circle, Mr. Hendren indicated it had been turned over to Mr. Green's office. The trustees were provided a copy of the fax received by Mr. Green's office from Eric Chovanec. Trustee Brady asked "As a sidebar, how can this (no deed filing) happen?" Paul Hendren stated this is unusual and odd. The Cope family is responsible for condition of property. President Eckert thanked Trustee Franks for following up with attorney Green and hopes the situation is resolved sooner rather than later. Craig reported that the van is off the property.

Mr. Hendren reminded the Board that they should be sure the Appropriations Ordinance is an agenda item for the July meeting to be held the 11<sup>th</sup> of July.

DAVID TRAXLER: Dave T. said brush pick-up was going well and the next scheduled date is June 15<sup>th</sup>. The rock for the parking lot has not been purchased yet. Dave T. reported there have been three (3) building permits issued. Trustee Franks asked Dave T. to take down the two or three mulberry trees at the property at the corner of Van Buren and Garfield. Franks also noted several areas on Jefferson street need coal patch and also on Van Buren near Swaney's house.

VILLAGE TREASURER: Rod Schweighart indicated new monthly reports will be available next month and after the Village audit is completed he will work with Stan Feller to prepare the annual report.

OLD BUSINESS: President Eckert said he has been playing phone tag with Art S. regarding the proposed changes to the Village's phone service. Village is waiting on Dale Shipley to do the dirt work for the project at the Caleb O'Neill Park. Hopefully, he will get to it next week. The parts have been ordered to repair one of the benches on Washington Street. The Coca-Cola vending machines have been installed and are operational. Steve Sappenfield explained the Park Association was unable to get the Diamond Dry this year and asked if they could just receive the same amount as a donation to the Park Association. Trustee Larry Franks made a motion, seconded by Trustee John Mumma to approve changing the original approval to pay for Diamond Dry to a cash donation to the Philo Park Association in the amount of \$2,500.00. Roll call vote; "Ayes" Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Susan Helmink presented her REFMC report, noting this is the first report of the new fiscal year. She stated the vending machines have been added to the report. President Eckert hopes no vandalism will occur on the vending machines.

The 2012 Prevailing Wage Ordinance was presented. Trustee John Mumma made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steve Sappenfield to approve Ordinance No. 2012-573, the 2012 PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE IN THE VILLAGE OF PHILO, ILLINOIS. Roll call vote; "Ayes" Trustees Mumma, Franks, Sappenfield, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion carried unanimously.

A resident contacted the Village office and asked if there was a Village Curfew Ordinance. Paul Hendren indicated the Village of Philo does not have one and doesn't suggest we pass one, because it is not enforceable.

The Board listened to Cynthia Hulsizer's concern about a possible animal predator in the Village. Two of her pet cats disappeared from her front porch on separate occasions. Her husband, Bob, has met with Champaign County Sheriff's office and she has taken steps to make people aware of the problem. Trustee Franks stated he would rather have the police patrol 10-11 or midnight instead of 4 to 5 p.m. Board members wondered if this problem is unique to Philo or if county-wide. President Eckert indicated he will contact the Sheriff's office to request they increase their hours of patrol and to drive through streets of Philo instead of sitting at the cemetery.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Trustee Brady-Nothing

Trustee Garrett-Rachel said people have asked if they could walk in the gym during the lunch hour. Susan Helmink said the set up would need to be similar to the morning arrangement. Trustee Franks said one person should be in charge. President Eckert asked if there would be a pattern. Rachel was not sure what times or dates they would be interested in doing. Trustee Pioletti stated they need to have something specific proposed.

Trustee Pioletti-Pat said he received an email about the lighting grant and hoped to have more information to present at the July meeting.

Clerk Kirby-Reminded the Board that the Finance Committee needs to set a time to meet to prepare the 2012-13 Appropriations Ordinance. The Finance Committee, Trustees Mumma, Sappenfield and Brady and President Eckert and Clerk Kirby, will meet at 7:30 a.m. on June 21, 2012. The required notices for the meeting will be posted.

Trustee Sappenfield-Nothing

Trustee Franks-The property at the southwest corner of Madison and Harrison streets needs to be mowed.

Trustee Mumma-Nothing

David Phillippe-Dave P. presented a document received from Frontier that Dave Traxler stated should be signed by a Village official. Frontier is installing new cable along Monroe Street which requires digging 42 inches deep. They will start on the project July 1<sup>st</sup> or sooner. Trustee Franks wants Dave Traxler to be present and keep an eye on it, when the work starts. Trustee Pioletti asked if this means new service offerings from Frontier.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee Franks made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote; all “aye’s,” meeting adjourned.

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VILLAGE PRESIDENT