

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Village of Philo
September 14, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Franks at 7:00 p.m. at the R.E. Franks Center in the Eileen Painter room.

GUESTS: Janet Decker, David Traxler, Kevin Chalmers, Mrs. Miller, Marc Miller, Jim & Kathy Forrest and Mike Buzicky.

ROLL CALL: Present -Trustees Kelley, Messman, Happ, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady.

MINUTES: Trustee Pat Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Paul Brady, to approve the minutes of August 10, 2022. Voice vote, all "ayes", motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Steve Messman made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tom Kelley, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of August 24, 2022. Voice vote, all "ayes", motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Trustee Steve Messman made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pat Pioletti to approve the bills as presented. Roll call vote; "aye's" Trustees Kelley, Messman, Happ, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously.

VILLAGE ENGINEER: Mike Buzicky reported the oil and chip was done last week. Illiana plans street work the week of Sept. 26th. President Franks suggested street committee meet with engineer and contractor. This requires 48 posted notices. We need to know exact game plan. The committee is Tom, Steve, Pat and Larry.

The NE storm sewer project is on hold. Problems with contractor's availability and they are worried about materials. We can't hold bids that long. It was decided to put out for bid again in January or February for work to be done in March/April or May. ARPA gives us two (2) years to do the project. Trustee Pioletti asked about us going ahead and ordering and storing materials. Mike Buzicky indicated we could and that pipe probably be okay, but not sure about manholes. Mike offered to check out local suppliers and get two quotes. Trustee Pioletti said not ideal (to do) if only part of materials.

The side-walk work at Hazen Park is done and looks good. They are still looking about sidewalk section south to the picnic area.

Fillmore sidewalk done and fine graded, not sure if seeded. All looks good.

Emerald Lane-Mike Buzicky will talk to contractor and get more information.

Regarding unsewered community notice, Mike explained EPA is 5 years, got in with 1st year, then 2nd year opened up. Three to five years jump into construction grant. If financially ready, can get up to \$5M. Trustee Happ asked if we have a submitted bid. Mike responded "no". Also see paragraph above regarding NE storm sewer project. Attorney Marc Miller said there is no policy. State statute says bids

are required over \$25,000.00, so we are safe on sidewalks, but not on drainage. The bid is not IDOT bidding so we can decide if 3, 2 or how many bids and can create our own criteria.

Trustee Pioletti said speeding complaints have been received on Jefferson Street and there are no speed signs west bound for school and no signs on Hayes Street. Mike B. indicated required school speed is 20 mph and optional 20 mph for parks. Trustee Tom Kelley noted Madison Street needs "no cell phone" sign. Trustee Pioletti asked Mike to check proximity and safety requirements.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY-There were no comments or questions.

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE: David Traxler reported one building permit at 407 N. Garfield. Dave presented a notebook for each Trustee with information for a new storage shed. Included was information for three (3) different size sheds. He noted this is just food for thought. Location would be property south side of the hill by the water tower. Dave noted they inquired about building at the end of Cleveland, but the elevator still plans to use it. He asked board members call him if they have questions.

Bids for asphalt paving at Hazen Park were reviewed. The board decided they wanted to do both parking areas so they asked Dave to contact those that submitted bids to re-submit. ADA areas need to be marked. There will be bumper blocks installed. A Special Meeting was scheduled and Deputy Clerk will post 48-hour prior notice.

Linden trees at Adams Street (northbound) are obscuring stop sign at Franks Drive.

VILLAGE TREASURER: Kevin noted balance sheet and income statement are in the board packets. He pointed out there are a couple of overages with expense to appropriations. They will be reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS: Tom Kelley gave a summary of the units he researched saying he learned a lot. There are three options, AC power 110 hardwire, battery, or battery and solar. It is harder to move solar power ones. Wanco is highest quality-talked to rep, do they work-yes; they work to get speed down. Emedco-lower in cost, lot of different options. Tried to do apples to apples comparison. Option 2 is less than first option. Radarsign-the rep re-contacted him a lot. Batteries last about three weeks, buy two sets. Trustee Pioletti asked if they have Wifi access. Any in the area? Marc Miller commented when Sidney got their signs the speeding went down. He suggests Philo ask Sidney about theirs. Trustee Happ is not convinced (speed signs way to go) noting better results like Villa Grove and Homer that give out tickets. President Franks said no tickets have been written, can't ignore complaints from residents and feels spending \$6,000 an okay expense to show effort. Trustee Pioletti is not sure how effective it will be and feels tickets are needed to have impact. We need to step up enforcement. President Franks said worse part, it is our own neighbors doing it. He noted someone even shot through fresh oil before rock was put down and pulled into drive-way. Trustee Kelley feels answer to problem should be multi prong and asked what's in our contract. It is not specific but we get 1-2 hours. Resident Jim Forrest commented that if ticket is contested it ties up the officer. President Franks will contact sheriff to change up hours and instruct them to issue speeding tickets and warning to golf cart violations. The speed signs will be addressed at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: President Franks said he is working on a donor for the new sign. They are interested, but hasn't committed to a dollar amount yet. Trustee Pioletti said it will not be wood. With it being brick and stone, it will be put in and done. The bid from CS Masonry, Inc. for a permanent sign for Hazen Park was presented. It will have brick pillars with an engraved stone reading Hazen Park, similar style as brick on our electric sign on Washington Street. Trustee David Happ made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pat Pioletti, to accept the bid not to exceed \$9,500.00. Roll call vote; "aye's" Trustees Kelley, Messman, Happ, Pioletti, Garrett and Brady. Motion passed unanimously.

It has not been decided how to recognize the donors with signage at the park.

Rental rate increases are being discussed and will bring forward to the board.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Trustee Brady-Asked Dave Traxler to take a look at ruts in his alley.

Trustee Garrett-Asked where bricks should be delivered. Dave said at shop, 105 E Washington Street.

Trustee Pioletti-Nothing

Trustee Happ-Nothing

Trustee Messman-Stop sign at McKinley and Adams is leaning

Trustee Kelley-Two or three meetings ago talked about recycle bins. Its full right now, but we need to pull out and mow.

President Franks-Will call asphalt guy. Also had request from Bob Hale for company to clean up area from fiber installation.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee Kelley, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote; all "aye's" motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

VILLAGE CLERK

VILLAGE PRESIDENT