

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Village of Philo
April 12, 2023

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, Kevin Chalmers, David Traxler, Mike Buzicky, Marc Miller and Steve Sappenfield.

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

MINUTES: Trustee David Happ made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steve Messman, to approve the minutes of March 8, 2023. Voice vote, all "ayes", motion carried unanimously.

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

GUESTS: Nothing

VILLAGE ENGINEER: Mike Buzicky reviewed the Planning & Construction Schedule for MFT work. After approval of the IDOT package, hoping for April letting or early May, with construction May-July. President Franks noted we need to push for April. Trustee Pioletti said we still hope on re-striping and seal coating last week of April and Mike Buzicky said that will finish up 2022. The 2023 sidewalk work was reviewed and it was noted the committee selected options 1, 4 and 5 with the work estimated at \$48,000.00. Trustee Pioletti said this information is a "heads up" for the board and when considering appropriations for the next fiscal year. President Franks said the first time the sidewalk on Van Buren was mentioned to his neighbor with Village and homeowners sharing cost of sidewalk, Randy Harshbarger wasn't interested. But now with Village paying its okay. There was a question by the resident that has the vertical stamping on the drive-way concrete at his residence. Response was probably not, it will most likely be consistent. Committee will bring more information to the May meeting. It was also noted the resident at Van Buren is pumping water out over sidewalk. Village will have Dave's map printed larger and we can fill in or add sidewalk notations to keep updated. Trustee Pioletti indicated there are several areas not marked at all. They hope to spend about \$50,000.00 on sidewalks for 2023-24. Mike Buzicky commented that they may be able to apply for some grant money. They hope to schedule a streets and alley meeting next week.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY: No issues.

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE: Dave reported two building permits one for a pool & fence and one for a garage on Van Buren. Dave presented two bids one from Champaign-Danville Overhead Doors for \$13,857.00 for a 12x11x2 six section door and a 16x11x2 steel insulated overhead doors and replace damaged metal jamb covers and another bid from CS Masonry, Inc. for \$9,860.00 to replace two doors and repair brick under north door. Board decided to hold off as we have exhausted our appropriated

amount for maintenance of the shed for this fiscal year. Drainage work on Cleveland and the work at Tyler and Fillmore are started. The permit at house on Jefferson will be reported next month. Trustee Pioletti asked if garage will be 5' off alley and Dave responded "yes, it is."

VILLAGE TREASURER: Kevin Chalmers noted reports are in board packets. He also noted the ARPA report has been updated.

OLD BUSINESS: President Franks suggested moving the speed signs from Cleveland. He is open to suggestion of which street to place them on next, like Jefferson or Van Buren. Dave Traxler said the posts are already set up on those streets. Trustee Tom Kelly suggested Jefferson, since school is still in session.

Trustee Pioletti said the pavers have been delivered. There is no date set yet and need to discuss material. Path will be off pad and perpendicular to 5' short concrete pad and will be 4' to 5' and need to create radius. Kelley commented to make it meet up. Trustee Pioletti said he will check forecast for next two weeks and hope to start a week from this weekend. They hope to dedicate in late April. Trustee Kelley asked if asphalt (east end) will be done. The donation sign will be placed slightly to the left. Chuckie Soller's is to start brick work on Monday. Trustee Pioletti asked that a top dressing of mulch be done at all the playgrounds.

NEW BUSINESS: Rise Broadband material was received. President Franks commented competition is good. Trustee Happ noted some businesses share conduit/fiber.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Trustee Garrett-Nothing

Trustee Pioletti-We have coyote problem, been spotted on Garfield

Clerk Kirby-Nothing

Trustee Happ-Nothing

Trustee Messman-Nothing

Trustee Kelley-Thanked the board for the flowers sent for his mom. Also wants board as a group to think about public safety and informing residents to lock cars, houses and put locks on trailers, noting recent thefts in area.

President Franks-Thanked Trustee Garrett for acting as President ProTemp in his absence at last meeting.

He requested improvements at Hale Park's basketball court like putting up new nets, painting out of bounds and free throw area. Dave Traxler noted the new nets are already up and will get bids for painting. Trustee Messman asked if Varsity Striping could do that work.

It was noted the recycle truck is broke down.

President Franks commented that he also has been talking to Tim Hughes regarding the elevator property that will be for sale. He wants to be on front of purchase. Attorney Miller suggested the board evaluate and determine what the Village may want and make a formal offer. Marc also commented that there is a "power of condemnation" to pay a fair value. He also noted upkeep is a difficult problem and that property upkeep is more than a nuisance and explained option of issuing a ticket for say \$200 and an administrative judge acts via a "Zoom" meeting and if they don't pay can take to court. Mr. Miller suggested a pre-package with sales contract to put pressure on them to do right thing. Trustees Kelley, Messman and Happ are willing to serve on an elevator sale committee. They will need estimated acreage, contract later and survey. David Happ will send parcel numbers to Marc Miller. It is estimated to cost about \$2,000 for an appraisal.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee Steve Messman made a motion, seconded by Trustee David Happ, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote; all "aye's". Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

VILLAGE CLERK

VILLAGE PRESIDENT