

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Village of Philo
October 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Franks at 7:06 p.m. at the R.E. Franks Center in the Eileen Painter room.

GUESTS: David Traxler, Janet Decker, Chad Osterbur, Marc Miller, Jim and Kathy Forrest, Kevin Chalmers.

ROLL CALL: Present -Trustees Kelley, Happ, Grubb and Shipley and Trustee Pioletti arrived at 7:07 p.m.
Absent-Trustees Messman.

MINUTES: Trustee David Happ made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tom Kelley, to approve the minutes of September 11, 2024. Voice vote, all "aye's", motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Trustee David Happ made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tim Grubb, to approve the bills as presented, including the additional payment to Access Locksmith in the amount of \$1,425.00. Roll call vote, "aye's" Trustees Kelley, Happ, Grubb and Shipley, motion passed unanimously.

VILLAGE ENGINEER: Chad reported on the Route 130 drainage issue saying Dave Traxler, IDOT and Chad are working on it. Trustee Grubb stated he has received comments about dust from the rock regarding the recent road work in South Pointe Subdivision and wash boarding. Chad said the rock may have been a little too thick. Residents also thought may end up with rock in their yard from snow plowing. Chad will check to see if Illiana will sweep at no charge and President Franks commented they can look into different rock in the future. They used "15" which is a little bigger. Trustee Grubb complimented them on all the pre-work on that project.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY: Marc reminded the board of the deadline for the Tax Levy Ordinance. He will prepare it for consideration at the November meeting. He added it will be prepared as past practice, so same as last year plus 3.4%.

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE: Dave stated he is working on drainage details on Route 130. President Franks inquired if trucks were ready (for winter) and Dave said he needs to go through them.

Trustee Kelley said he needs to prioritize tree list with Dave. The trees are to be picked up on October 28th.

VILLAGE TREASURER: Kevin indicated the reports are in the board packets and have been reviewed and in order. A Village has a one-year certificate of deposit that matures October 23rd and Kevin stated the bank is offering a six-month investment at a higher rate. After discussion the board was in agreement to change the term on the certificate to receive a higher rate of interest. Trustee Pioletti asked if Kevin could provide loan balances and due dates for them.

OLD BUSINESS: Trustee Tom Kelley reported that all committees were present for the monthly 150th Celebration meeting. The committee meets the second Tuesday of each month from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. No carnival, but will have inflatables. Campus Ink Apparel will have online in November in time for Christmas. A Glow Bingo fund raising event will be February 1, 2025. Apparel will be available for purchase at that event. They are finalizing the bands, hope to do door to door (for stock certificates) and still working on

small town grants. Grussing will provide a backdrop with logo. Not sure if checking account has been opened yet.

Hazen & Hale Park Bathrooms - Hazen Park repairs are done and Hale Park locks are installed & cameras at Hale Park will be checked on.

NEW BUSINESS: Saying the Pledge of Allegiance before meetings was discussed. One idea was to say if close to holiday. President Franks preferred at all meetings if all were in agreement. Trustee Kelley made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pat Pioletti, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance at each Village of Philo Board of Trustee Meetings. Roll call vote, "aye's" Trustees Kelley, Happ, Pioletti, Grubb and Shipley, motion passed unanimously.

The Champaign County Animal Control Services were discussed. Janet is able to pull reports if needed but they are not mailed to us as in the past. Trustee Pioletti doesn't feel like we can do without their services. Trustee Pioletti made a motion, seconded by Trustee David Happ, to approve payment to Champaign County Animal Control in the amount of \$3,925.44. Roll call vote, "aye's" Trustees Kelley, Happ, Pioletti, Grubb and Shipley, motion passed unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Trustee Shipley-Nothing

Trustee Grubb-Nothing

Trustee Pioletti-Nothing

Clerk Kirby-Nothing

Trustee Happ-Still looking for tree for tree lighting Dec. 1, 2024. Group cuts tree, de-stumps and replaces with new tree.

Trustee Messman-Absent

Trustee Kelley-Nothing

President Franks-Gave board update on property at McKinley and Van Buren and showed pictures of before and after. Larry was impressed with the firm saying resident was given 30 days to respond and then 10 days to go to court. Attorney Marc Miller indicated that firm does a lot of litigation and we were very lucky to have this caliber of work.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Trustee David Happ made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tim Grubb, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote, all "aye's", meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

VILLAGE CLERK

VILLAGE PRESIDENT