

December 5, 2016

Open Time: The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupo, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 5th day of December at the Dupo Village Hall. The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Pledge of allegiance was conducted.

Roll Call: Trustees answering roll call for the regular meeting were: Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustee(s) Absent: None. There being a quorum present, President Dell declared the regular meeting open for business. Others in attendance: Clerk Nadler, Attorney Swartwout, Treasurer Holzhauer, Kriste Bennett, Kimberly Bennett, Kathi Vaughn, Patrick Hulsey, Bradley Veteto, Rachael Edwards, Nathan S., Gil Cooper, Arlene Musskopf, Michelle Schmidt, Clyde Kempf, James G. Smith, Ashley Veteto, Chris Ragsdale, Tim Racz, Fred Davenport, Doug Caraway, Kevin Smith, Jose L. Dennis Hooker, John Kenner, Jonathan Koebbe, Emily Paschke, Connie Aucutt, Jule Levin, and Leslie Sopp.

Communications: Clerk Nadler read correspondence the St. Clair County Resilience meeting and IDOT Surface Transportation Block Grant Program. Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Cleveland seconded for the Board to put the communications on file. Trustees voting “Aye”, Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Brown seconded for the Board to approve the regular and executive session minutes from the regular meeting of November 21, 2016, as presented, with executive session minutes to be destroyed after 18 months. Trustees voting “Aye”, Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, and Basinski. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. Trustees voting “Abstain”, Foster. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Bills: Discussion was held regarding K&S Cleaning partial charge needing to be moved to General Fund. Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Cleveland seconded for the Board to approve the bills, with the K&S Cleaning charge change. Trustees voting “Aye”, Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Public Address Board: Doug and Michelle Schmidt addressed the board

regarding the abandoned house on 5th Street. Gil Cooper and Trustee Foster responded that the owner has obtained a building permit to rehab the building. According to the ordinance, the owner would have 1 year to complete work. President Dell informed the public that he has to show progress towards rehab. The Village will need to research how long the owner has before we can pursue legal action. They also requested a stop sign on 4th and Mousette. President Dell requested the attorney to prepare an ordinance for the next meeting and Trustee Dixon to see if we have a stop sign in the shop.

Chris Shoeman was on the agenda but not at the meeting.

Doug Caraway addressed the board regarding whether the I-255 interchange was moving forward, how to oppose the project, and how the project benefits the Village. President Dell responded that the interchange would spur Village growth, bring more jobs to town, and TIF funds would increase our payment to the School District. The village is at the stage of trying to move to final engineering and property acquisition. Documents are prepared and being reviewed by IDOT, the Village, and other state and federal agencies. Discussion was held regarding funding, railroad involvement, and potential retail and commercial development. Clyde Kempf addressed the board regarding the impact to the residents in that area and asked the board consider the personal impact. Tim Racz addressed the board regarding the impact to the area, particularly the houses not purchased by IDOT that would now be right next to the interchange, including plans for water runoff and noise concerns. President Dell said he would look into noise reduction options with the engineers.

Ray Ortega addressed the board regarding a water leak from the street to his house requesting how to get an adjustment on his bill.

Old Business: Discussion regarding contracts and personnel were tabled for executive session.

Discussion was tabled regarding personnel code book, and burning and fireworks ordinance changes for further board consideration.

Discussion regarding police taking cars home was tabled regarding board review of insurance policy language.

A joint Prairie DuPont draft agreement has been written and handed out to the board for consideration at the next meeting.

New Business: Discussion was tabled regarding hiring of a police

officer for executive session for board discussion.

Discussion was held regarding the need to approve the annual tax levy ordinance.

Trustee Brown motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to approve Ordinance 16-14 for the Annual Village of Dupo Tax Levy. Trustees voting “Aye”, Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding a Façade request from Joyce Beason for her Main Street project.

Trustee Brown motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 16-07 accepting Joyce Beason’s request for \$2,500 in TIF funds for reimbursement of building façade improvements, per full terms of the program agreement. Trustees voting “Aye”, Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding by Keith Moran on a Planning Update regarding filing annual TIF documents with the Comptroller, working on annual TIF reimbursements, doing a Village comprehensive plan update, Senior Living facility request, other façade improvement applications, State of Illinois grant application status, status and typical process overview of interchange development projects, and other potential fence project funding options.

Discussion was held regarding electric rate reduction options and companies currently contacting the Village. The board determined the terms presented were restrictive and wanted to shop around rates more and try and get a 1-year contract option.

Discussion was held regarding the need to declare the mower and tractor as surplus equipment in order to accept bids for purchase.

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to accept Ordinance 16-15 declaring the old mower and tractor as surplus property, with the right to refuse any and all bids. Trustees voting “Aye”, Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the need to move the 1/2/2017 meeting due to falling on the New Year’s Day holiday.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Cleveland seconded for the Board to move the 1/2/2017 meeting to 1/3/2017 due to it falling on the New Year's Day holiday. Trustees voting "Aye", Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Sewer Committee Chairperson Foster discussed status of an odor at the plant coming from the clarifier that he tracked back to Stellar. It was not a toxic substance, just oily and foul smelling. He also reported status of following up on getting an electric opener on the plant gate due to safety concerns.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Brown discussed receiving complaints on bottles and trash around the bar on Main Street and asking the bar owner to have a daily cleanup of the area, and damage to a section of the Main Street fence that needs to be repaired. A police report is on file for damage from a railroad vehicle and will be liable for the repairs.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed status of the alley water main replacement project, and an issue with a meter on a main tank that needs to be reviewed and repaired.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed status of a gas leak that took multiple days to repair, Dennis attending the gas meeting, the Park Committee running a house decorating judging competition, and the next meeting of the Park committee in February.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Cleveland had nothing to report.

Street Committee Chairperson Dixon had nothing to report. President Dell reported that the 9th Street Grant was awarded to the village and we will be able to start the work in the spring.

Zoning/Planning Board:

Other Business: Trustee Cleveland motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contracts, and possible litigation. Trustees voting "Aye," Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustees voting "Nay," none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Executive Session began at 8:05 P.M. Executive Session concluded at 8:58 P.M.

Adjournment Time: With nothing further to come before the board,

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to adjourn the meeting. Trustees voting "Aye," Cleveland, Brown, Dixon, Phillips, Foster, and Basinski. Trustees voting "Nay," none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Mark Nadler, Clerk