

April 20, 2020

Open Time: The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupo, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 20th day of April at the Dupo Village Hall and via Conference Call. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Trustees answering roll call for the meeting were: Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustee(s) Absent: None. There being a quorum present, President Wilson declared the meeting open for business. Others in attendance: Clerk Nadler, Attorney Swartwout, Treasurer Holzhauser, Chief Smith, and Ryan Corbin.

Communications: Clerk Nadler read correspondence regarding Consolidated Container changing names to Altium, and IPRF sending some village loss recommendations. Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Smith seconded for the Board to put the communications on file. Trustees voting “Aye”, Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Ragsdale seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of April 6, 2020, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Bills: Discussion was held regarding bills from Van Lear Eckert, Reliable Sanitation dumpster billing, a Nobbe tractor contract question, MFT funds out until May, and Street Sweeper bills. Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Smith seconded for the Board to approve the bills, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Public Address Board: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Discussion was held regarding an Intergovernmental Agreement proposal with Prairie DuPont Levee district on Village owned property demolition.

Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Kenner seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 20-05 an intergovernmental agreement between the Village of Dupo and the Prairie DuPont Levee District for property deomolition. Trustees voting “Aye”, Kenner, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. Trustees voting “Present”, Basinski. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding retirement of Ron McClenahan, last day of work, and payout plans on sick and vacation hours.

Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to approve Ron McClenahan’s retirement from the Village effective 4/30/2020, with remaining sick and vacation being paid out upon retirement. Trustees voting “Aye”, Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding appointing Mike Koonce as the interim Chief Utility Man, and plans for covering MFT paperwork filing in the future.

Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Holzhauer discussed TIF and General Fund interfund loan balance deficit, budget planning, COVID impact and likely state payment cutbacks, salary concerns, police costs, park costs, billable department salary costs, and establishment of a trustee committee to review potential salary concerns. Mayor Wilson responded that he will evaluate forming a committee.

Committee Reports:

Sewer Committee Chairperson Foster discussed status of sewer plant operations with only 1 person working in the plant currently for COVID safety concerns.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Smith had nothing to report.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed status of water main work, breaks, boil order, and tie-in’s, status of the water tank leaking again and plans to attempt to repair with our employee labor, status of having 5 remote read routes completed and plans of remaining routes, and consideration of modifying the water tap fees and proposed fee structure.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed Park still being closed but getting mulching and other maintenance work completed, sent the fireworks check, fuel pump repair and ongoing repair costs on the

utility truck, utility departments potentially covering some general fund salaries, and setting up a Zoom meeting for the Park Committee to consider July 4th Picnic plans.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Kenner discussed police budget, filling of the open full time officer position, and back filling COVID work with an auxiliary police force.

Trustee Kenner motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to hire Brad Penet as a full-time police officer for the Village of Dupo with a 6-month probation period. Trustees voting “Aye”, Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Attorney Swartwout swore in Officer Penet.

Discussion was held regarding carrying over Police office vacation time due to not being able to take them due to current staffing issues.

Trustee Kenner motioned, and Trustee Smith seconded for the Board to approve carrying over police vacation for 30 days due to not being able to take them from being short-handed. Trustees voting “Aye”, Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding establishing an auxiliary police force and appointing officers – Ron Dell, Leonard Aldridge, and Bruce Leesman. Ron and Leonard have the firearm training. Ron Dell will run the program. Discussion was held regarding the authorized duties of the officers.

Mayor Wilson appointed the auxiliary officers of Ron Dell, Leonard Aldridge, and Bruce Leesman.

Trustee Kenner motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve the Mayor’s auxiliary police officer appointments of Ron Dell, Leonard Aldridge, and Bruce Leesman, with required firearms training being completed by each before they can carry a weapon. Trustees voting “Aye”, Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Chief Smith discussed status of recent car break ins and issuance of a Google Search Warrant to cost the Village \$350 for phones. The Village tabled this for consideration.

Street Committee Chairperson Ragsdale discussed approving an ordinance for adding stop signs on 5th Street, and discussed considering Ron McClenahan's replacement as a Chief Utility Man with Mike Koonce on an interim basis.

Trustee Ragsdale motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to approve ordinance 20-08 establishing additional stop signs of 5th Street. Trustees voting "Aye", Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Trustee Ragsdale motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to appoint Mike Koonce as Chief Utility Man until further notice. Trustees voting "Aye", Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Attorney Swartwout discussed status of continuation of work on the I-255 interchange and funding plan by the state.

Zoning/Planning Board: None.

Adjournment Time: With nothing further to come before the board, Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Ragsdale seconded for the Board to adjourn the meeting. Trustees voting "Aye," Kenner, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, and Phillips. Trustees voting "Nay," none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

Mark Nadler, Clerk