

***March 1, 2021***

**Open Time:** The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupo, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March at the Dupo Village Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Pledge of allegiance was conducted.

**Roll Call:** Trustees answering roll call for the meeting were: Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. 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, Tammy Taylor, Brett Small, and Tyann Cherry.

**Communications:** Clerk Nadler read correspondence regarding a Thank You letter from the Census Bureau, and a Charter Bundle package announcement. Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Ragsdale seconded for the Board to put the communications on file. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of February 16, 2021, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Bills:** Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Smith seconded for the Board to approve the bills, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Public Address Board:** Mike Sullivan addressed the board regarding the Village of Dupo and Sugarloaf Township is expiring in the near future and is requesting to extend the contract as is. Trustee Foster discussed being in progress of reviewing finances with Treasurer Holzhauser and will get back to them in the next 2 meetings.

**Old Business:** Discussion was held regarding I255 Interchange status that IDOT is preparing to start demolition of 3 properties within the next week or two, no word on the reimbursement but requested additional information from Burns & McDonnell, met with utilities regarding EDA

grant, and needing supplemental agreement signed for Burns & McDonnell to move forward.

**New Business:** Discussion was held regarding Resolutions 21-01 for Dispatch Services through St. Clair County.

Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 21-01 authorizing the mayor to enter into an agreement with St. Clair County for dispatching services. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding a request for a letter of support for Dupo Storage.

Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to issue a letter of support for Dupo Storage. Trustees voting “Aye”, Foster, and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, Basinski, Smith, Ragsdale, and Phillips. After a dissentient vote, the motion failed.

Discuss was held regarding adding signs to disallow semi-trucks on Dyroff Street. Trustee Ragsdale suggested adding posts to block the side entrance to their lot as well.

Trustee Ragsdale motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve Ordinance 21-03 authorizing signs on Dyroff stating no-semi traffic. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

Sewer Committee Chairperson Foster discussed status of reviewing the damaged clarifier on Friday, issue with pumps that had to be repaired on State Street, likely needing to repair the 2<sup>nd</sup> clarifier.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Smith had nothing to report.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed status of chlorine monitoring station, bluff archeological survey status, fence break in status at the plant, and solar panel install status.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed gas bills and rates due to cold temperatures, adjusting gas rates to cover losses, summer fertilizer plans, park committee upcoming meeting plan, replacing cigarette pots at the park, trying to setup a broom closet for people

renting the park, summer worker plans, getting bids for a new park mower, renting the park pavilion starting this week, official opening of the park next weekend, considering Library request for reading stations at the park, status of trying to get the Main Street clock repaired.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to approve spring and summer fertilization and weed control at the Park not to exceed \$4,000. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Keys, and Chief Smith discussed considering a pay increase for the police office admin staff.

Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve a \$0.50/hr pay increase for the PT Police Admin staff. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. Trustees voting “Abstain”, Foster. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Street Committee Chairperson Ragsdale discussed the Bluffview Manor HOA looking to install 6 street lights at the HOA expense in the Bluffview Manor neighborhood and looking for Village approval to provide to Ameren. Discussion was held regarding the Village looking at other locations along 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Discussion was held regarding an unusual pot hole near the boat shop at Cody Drive and a resident that had tire damaged by the piece of pavement that came up, and some patching and pot hole repair that is needed around town including some larger areas that may need more extensive patching.

Trustee Ragsdale motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to authorize issuing approval to Ameren for Bluffview Manor to have the installation of 6 street lights evaluated, with the cost of installation being at the expense of Bluffview Manor. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Zoning/Planning Board:** None

**Other Business:** Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contracts, and possible litigation per 5 ILCS 120/2 {c}{2}/{11}. Trustees voting “Aye,” Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Executive Session began at 7:53 P.M.

Trustee Ragsdale motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to return to Open Session. Trustees voting “Aye,” Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Executive Session concluded at 8:32 P.M.

Discussion was held regarding FOP contract negotiations and a resident sewer line issue.

Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to allow the police committee to move forward with FOP contract negotiations based on the authority given to it by the full board pursuant to Executive Session c(2). Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Smith seconded for the Board to authorize Trustee Foster to negotiate a settlement with resident Mr. Davis pursuant to term agreed by the full board in executive session c(11). Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**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,” Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

***Mark Nadler, Clerk***