

***August 16, 2021***

**Open Time:** The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupo, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 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, Dell, Foster, Taylor, 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 Holzhauer, Chief Plew, Brett Small, Justin Roy, Kelly Carpenter, Gina Deno and family, Casey Harget and family, Jason Cooper, Officer Cleveland, Officer Fulkerson, Melissa Schertz, and Mike Koonce.

**Communications:** None.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of August 2, 2021, as presented, and the special meeting on August 9, 2021, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

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

**Public Address Board:** Melissa Schertz addressed the board regarding status of issues with her neighbor at 413 Louisa, brought the board up to speed on her pursuit of legal issues with her neighbor, discussed repairing the sidewalk themselves, requested the board to confirm support of sidewalk repair, and requested for further assistance with having the carport removed. The board will follow up on Village investigation of permits on the carport.

**Old Business:** Discussion was held regarding status of partial purchases, status of future property demolition going on hold and archeological surveying.

Discussion was held regarding bids opened for new sign and consideration of payment using business district funding.

Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to approve Ordinance 21-15 to accept the bid from Signorama for a new Village message board sign at Main St. at the Village Hall to be paid from the Business District fund. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding language for dumpster duration on street and proposed language to discuss at the next meeting.

Discussion was held regarding status of consideration and status of funding grant for Community Center. A committee meeting will be scheduled to consider next steps and bring them back to the board.

**New Business:** Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to hire Gina Deno as a full-time officer. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to hire Casey Harget as a School Resource Officer. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Attorney Swartwout swore in Gina Deno and Casey Harget.

Discussion was held regarding the Village website proposals and checking for college students that may be able to assist. Discussion was held regarding gathering information for the website, and information being shared on a Village of Dupo Facebook page.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to approve moving the next meeting to Tuesday, 9/7/2021 due to the Labor Day Holiday on Monday. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the need to revise the IDOT Intergovernmental Agreement for Signal Master Agreement to remove the Illinois 3 / Stolle Road signal from the Village agreement.

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve Resolutions 21-12 for the revised 2021 IDOT Intergovernmental Agreement Traffic Signal Master agreement excluding the Illinois 3 / Stolle Road intersection light. Trustees voting

“Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding obtaining an additional bid for asbestos testing for Village owned properties, estimated costs for testing and demolition, and alternate options for disposing of properties.

**Committee Reports:**

Sewer Committee Chairperson Foster and member Taylor discussed status of repaired pumps coming back, others failing that are being sent off for repair, getting the electric running, and status of a resident sewer turned over for an insurance claim.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Taylor had nothing to report.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed status of pump repair by Illinois Electric, receipt of first solar bill that was higher than our prior electric bills and being reviewed with the solar company, received the check from solar for the damage previously caused, identification of a mis-billing of water for sewer electric for 3 months, status of confirming the COVID relief grant, and consideration of having IML requote Village Risk Management insurance again.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed the need to order more meters and other supplies to continue the radio read project, reminder of 9/27/21 emergency meeting at 6:00 PM, Park Committee moving forward with Chili Cookoff, no word yet on the playground grant, and status of filling and distributing backpacks to the school.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Keys, and Chief Plew hired employees in new business and discussed status of abatements being reviewed and written.

Street Committee Chairperson Dell discussed receipt of MFT bids, no oil bids being received so they will need to be rebid, damage to a guard rail at Stone Gate, status of picking up barrels and other street work, status of Street truck repairs and potential warranty work, request to advance Dennis Keys to Maintenance Man position, and new employee started today.

Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to approve Illinois Excavation and Reclamation to repair the Stone Gate guard rail for \$1936.25. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve moving Dennis Keys to Maintenance Man with a .35/hr raise per the Local 100 contract. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, and Phillips. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. Trustees voting “Abstain”, Keys. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Zoning/Planning Board:**

**Other Business:** Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contracts, and possible litigation per 5 ILCS 120/2 {c}{1}/{11}. Trustees voting “Aye,” Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Executive Session began at 8:27 P.M.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to return to Open Session. Trustees voting “Aye,” Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Executive Session concluded at 9:28 P.M.

**Adjournment Time:** With nothing further to come before the board, Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to adjourn the meeting. Trustees voting “Aye,” Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:29 P.M.

***Mark Nadler, Clerk***