

***April 4, 2022***

**Open Time:** The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupo, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 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 Holzhauser, Chief Plew, John Fremont, and Mike Koonce.

**Communications:** Clerk Nadler read correspondence regarding a fund raiser request from Dupo 196. Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to put the communications on file. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of March 21, 2022, 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 Taylor motioned, and Trustee Keys 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:** John Fremont addressed the board regarding flooding on his property at 652 and 656 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Discussion was held regarding a recommendation from Curry from a few years ago. Mr. Fremont told the board he doesn't want to give the Village an easement, and said his lawyer said he could ask us to buy him out or take legal action to make us repair it. Discussion was held regarding recommendations from the village engineer and the property owner recommendations regarding ditch options.

**Old Business:** Discussion was held regarding the I255 interchange project clearing property prior to 4/1/2022 for the archaeological work, and receipt of additional invoice reimbursements.

Discussion was held regarding the ordinance proposed at the prior meeting regarding water turn on and off fees, with a modification to remove the \$50 fee during business hours but leave the \$200 off-hour fee.

Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to approve Ordinance 22-04 establishing a \$200 fee for off-hour water turn on and turn off requests. Trustees voting “Aye”, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, Basinski. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**New Business:** Discussion was held regarding the annual MFT allocation request and actual reimbursement process and amount.

Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 22-03 requesting \$100,000 in MFT allocations for 2022. 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 changing the regular meeting agenda process and posting.

Discussion was held regarding a request from Leesman Funeral home for additional TIF funds from the Façade program. Trustee Basinski will research the request further and table until next meeting.

**Committee Reports:**

Sewer Committee Chairperson Foster discussed status of digester and clarifier work, additional work needed on scrapers, need for another clarifier gear, status of Metro AG work, status of generator annual service, and the need for additional emergency funds.

Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to approve spending up to an additional \$10,000 for emergency repairs. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Taylor discussed receipt of an application to consider for Village Hall cleaning. Chief Plew will do a background check and then we will check with the bank to confirm they approve the candidate. Discussion was held regarding the lighting on the new sign and use status, and status of missing information from the new website.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed trade in and replacement of old tools, status of some leaks including service lines, and Homefield electric service contract renewal notice coming in the mail now.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed status of adding a gas service on Main St., 30% increase in firework cost from last year, Capri pool coming out to prepare the splash pad for opening, Park Committee annual donation letter being sent out, receiving names from for summer help, and needing to put together a staffing and spending plan for the splash pad.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve have the same firework company from the past send a contract proposal for \$8,600 of fireworks for the July 4<sup>th</sup> event, and the Village to spend \$8,600 from the Park Activities committee for the fireworks. 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 playground equipment proposal for \$85,000 with \$25,000 coming from a grant.

Trustee Taylor motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve Ordinance 22-05 for purchase and installation of playground equipment for the Village Park for \$81,265 from Hutchinson with \$25,000 reimbursed from the County Park grant. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Keys, and Chief Plew discussed the police department is extremely busy currently with ongoing investigations, the new car being finished other than adding the decals, status of the new flag pole coming in and being installed, status of the additional fencing work on Main St., status of replacing the gas lights on Main St. with the new LED lights, status of the Main St. pavilion order and installation, and status of annual dispatch bill instead of monthly.

Street Committee Chairperson Dell discussed status of clearing trees for archeologic dig, preparation for the Lunsford project, and number 9 dump truck break down today.

**Zoning/Planning Board:** Discussion was held regarding getting the Zoning board together to get review property zoning recommendations, and contacting businesses in town found to not have licenses.

**Other Business:** Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contracts, and possible litigation per 5 ILCS 120/2 {c}{1}/{6}. 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 8:13 P.M.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Keys 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 8:25 P.M.

**Adjournment Time:** With nothing further to come before the board, Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Taylor 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 8:26 P.M.

***Mark Nadler, Clerk***