

February 6, 2023

Open Time: The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupu, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 6th day of February at the Dupu 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, Jamie Bender, Egypt Call, Beth Doerr, Evan Glantz, Steve Walters, Jule Levin, Gil Cooper, Matthew Ritzel, Montana Vunetich and Jenny Agnew Bennett.

Communications: None.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of January 17, 2023, 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: Diana Davenport addressed the board regarding a hardship with no place to park at 204 Stone due to location of No Parking and Stop Sign locations. Trustee Dell discussed the visibility to the corner, width of the street, fence height, and safety concerns as the reason for the signs and she should consider parking in her driveway.

Evan Glantz, Steve and Beth from Gateway Foods addressed the board regarding potentially expanding their facility. Expansion would allow addition of local jobs. There is a City of Columbia waterline running through the property that they would like moved to facilitate the expansion project, estimated at over \$500,000. They are requesting consideration of TIF funds from the TIF 1 district (expiring in a year). Even though the Gateway Food property is not in the TIF district, Gateway owns other properties in the Village TIF district which is why they are requesting the funds. Discussion was held regarding fiber

running through the same area that will also need to be addressed. Discussion was held regarding the locations of the TIF districts, Gateway properties, and other information the board would like prior to consider moving forward with a TIF evaluation.

Jule Levin addressed the board regarding status of court hearings, trial dates, and other property concerns (fence quality and light). He also discussed establishing a committee to review and establish a FEMA disaster response and evacuation plan.

Egypt Call addressed the board requesting establishing a handicap parking area in front of her house at 513 N. 5th St. She has a state issued handicap sticker and issues with the shared parking area with the neighbor. Mayor Wilson suggested contacting the public safety / police department first with neighbor issues.

Matthew Ritzel addressed the board regarding property next to the new interchange location. He owns a lawn care property and would like to get the property rezoned. He would need to get annexed in the property first. The mayor informed him that the Village has developed a committee to build the comprehensive plan for consideration of the expansion and growth of the area. That committee will hold public hearings as part of the process.

Jenny Agnew Bennett addressed the board regarding potholes on Industrial Drive and consideration of getting them patched.

Old Business: Discussion was held regarding receiving some reimbursement checks for the I255 Interchange project, approval for Curry to the do utility relocation project, status and plan for submitting other bills for reimbursement, information on the approved and in-progress supplemental some of which are causing project delays, the need to remove property sheds / garages so archeology can complete, and the need to finish archeology to relocate utilities.

Discussion was held regarding the bids received to remove the garages with asbestos that can partially be paid from Rebuild Illinois funds, with the Village paying for one.

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to approve the bid from Hayes Contracting to remove 4 garages, with 3 of them paid for by Rebuild Illinois funds totaling \$24,706 (2022, 2108, and 2112 S. Main St.), and one paid for by Village funds for \$6,394 (2100 S. Main St.). Trustees voting "Aye", Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

New Business: Discussion was held regarding establishing a contract with an outside commercial building and multi-family code inspector, duties of the position including issuing occupancy, citing violations, order for discontinuance of illegal activities, reporting to the board, one-year term of the contract, reimbursement/payment amounts, etc. Discussions were held regarding commercial, multi-family, and single-family residential costs, plus new build vs. rehab costs with payment as a 1099 employee. Approval of the contract will be tabled to the next meeting pending negotiation with the proposed candidate.

Discussion was held regarding the need to review the residential code and payments. Gil Cooper addressed the board regarding concerns with the changes and plans to resign as the inspector and from the Zoning board.

Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve Ordinance 23-02 amending Chapter 29, Article I, Division VIII, Section 29-1-54 for Commercial Inspection fees. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Montana Vunetich and Jenny Agnew Bennett addressed the board regarding interest in getting a 2023 Raffle License to run a Queen of Hearts drawing held at 5th Street Billiards.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve a raffle license for the Dupo High School Booster Club to hold a Queen of Hearts drawing to be held at 5th St. Billiards following all other state and local raffle guidelines. 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 entering into a contract and granting Power of Attorney to Satori Enterprises to negotiate power rates for the Village of Dupo.

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 23-01 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Satori Enterprises LLC to continue the Village’s Electrical Municipal Aggregation Services Agreement and Power of Attorney. 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 establish a new contract for

third-party supplier for electricity for the Village commercial accounts through Homefield.

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to approve Ordinance 23-03 for a contract with Homefield Electric for commercial electric agreement from April 2023 through April 2027 at a rate of 0.07617 / kWh. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Sewer Committee Chairperson Foster discussed the vacuum truck repair complete and coming back, other sewer plant testing, and ongoing work on the Environmental Works contract.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Taylor discussed Main Street lights complete, status of city cell phone review and updates, changes needed for the website to add a gas department tab with safety and other required information, planning and fund raising for Park and Village events, and status of banners for the 100-year basketball anniversary.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed status of water plant issues and resolutions, cleaning the cone in the plant, and plans for cleaning #2 and #3.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed getting prices for a chart recorder to add to the next meeting, status of getting the mulch for more than \$2,000 less than approved at the last meeting purchased from Rubber Cycle, plans for water drainage with French drains at the playground, status of reviewing cameras and the need to cover blind spots at the basketball court and part of the playground, and a quote from Alarm24 for 2 cameras. Discussion was held regarding gas balance sheet.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Keys discussed 2022 crime and arrest statistics, and status of looking for candidates for police officers.

Street Committee Chairperson Dell discussed status of filling salt shed and recent snow removal, status of SWIMPAC contract, Industrial Drive patching plans, and status of drainpipe and ditch work.

Discussion was held regarding LPR seeing if we can get electric off of a pole near Vertex and Bluffview Drive, status of emergency sirens, and status of search for street department candidates.

Zoning/Planning Board: None.

Other Business: None.

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 9:12 P.M.

Mark Nadler, Clerk