

***April 3, 2023***

**Open Time:** The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupo, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 3<sup>rd</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, Treasurer Holzhauer, Chief Plew, Jamie Bender, Steve Walters, Jule Levin, Megan Brown, Alice Brown, Jodi Francis, Brittney Ragsdale, Brandy Shoeman, S. Goodman, Kerri Moore, and Jenny Agnew Bennett.

**Communications:** Clerk Nadler read correspondence regarding Elizabeth Ave. property for sale by St. Clair County. 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 Taylor motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of March 20, 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:** Discussion was held regarding multiple Merry Maid bills were for past months, and charging of Sewer for gas different than other departments. Trustee Phillips 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:** Jule Levin addressed the board regarding the date of the next hearing for the junk complaint and question regarding the polling location.

Megan Brown addressed the board regarding village board and police support for the Shop-With-A-Cop program. She gave an overview of the program and benefits of the program and noted that the current police force doesn't attend events. Mayor Wilson, Trustee Keys and

Chief Plew addressed the public that a memo was issued regarding use of Village equipment and uniforms for secondary employment. He further responded that the officers are more than welcome to volunteer, wear uniforms, and provide support, but not use Village equipment. Additional conversation was held regarding board support and whether the board told the officers they could not participate which was not the case.

Jamie Bender addressed the board regarding a hearing tomorrow morning at 9 AM and he will have legal representation.

**Old Business:** Discussion was held regarding the I255 Interchange and receipt of approval of utility relocation engineering costs and status of processing of other engineering bills.

Discussion was held regarding collected gas usage for 1/22 – 3/6/2023. He would like the board to review and consider charge back ideas for discussion at the next meeting. Discussion was also held regarding fuel charges from the current provider compared to another company asking to bid our fuel.

**New Business:** Discussion was tabled regarding revised Raffle code.

Discussion was held regarding MFT Annual Allocation increase.

Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to approve amending Resolution 23-02 increasing of the 2023 MFT Allocation amount from \$124,000 to \$166,000. 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 Gateway Foods TIF Request. Trustee Basinski discussed the area in question, amount of TIF, lack of Village benefit, etc. Steve Walters addressed the board regarding the benefits of supporting his expansion with expanded property tax revenue and addition of employees. Discussion was held regarding the expansion district on the south end of town with additional incentives, however the timeline does not support their needs and adds growth and moving costs. Steve Walters further discussed looking to split the water main move 3 ways between the company, Dupo, and Columbia. Discussion was held regarding the HTC utility move and estimated costs.

Discussion was tabled for executive session for committee assignment.

**Committee Reports:**

Sewer Committee Chairperson Foster discussed that large sewer truck in

the shop.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Taylor discussed an upcoming Spring Cleanup date on April 15, meeting at the Park.

Discussion was tabled regarding new north end flag.

Discussion was held regarding bids for new signs at the north and south end of town. Multiple bids were received from Summit, Signorama, and DE Signs, with some optional bids provided. Discussion was held regarding the lowest bids, logo to consider, and alternate sign options. Consideration was tabled for the Main Street committee to review. Discussion was held regarding status of the south end flag pole.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski had not water updates, discussed solar rating updates for sewer charges, and fire extinguisher inspections.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed status of review of the UGM contract, status of the playground equipment installation, status of the siren being installed at the park, dates for Splash Pad being turned, and the need for weed spraying and fertilizing at the park.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve the contract with UGM as the Village of Dupon Gas Management company. Trustees voting "Aye", Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to approve the annual weed spraying and fertilizing of the park. 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 had nothing to report.

Street Committee Chairperson Dell discussed meeting with IDOT on Tommy Drive drainage and cleanout, jetting and replacement of culverts, bidding plans for oil and chip, and status of piping work at the new batting cage business so they can expand parking lots. Discussion was held regarding the mowing at the police station.

### **Zoning/Planning Board:**

**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}{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 8:15 P.M.

Trustee Basinski 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 8:46 P.M.

Mayor Wilson appointed the Local 100 contract renewal committee of Kerry Foster, Ron Dell, and Dawn Keys.

Discussion was held regarding the TIF request from Gateway Food products. The request failed for lack of motion.

**Adjournment Time:** With nothing further to come before the board, Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Keys 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 8:48 P.M.

***Mark Nadler, Clerk***