

***April 17, 2023***

**Open Time:** The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupu, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 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, Chief Plew, Mike Terry (Heritage Petroleum), Mike Koonce, Egypt Call, Suzanne & Paige Mushaney, and Jaycee Faries.

**Communications:** Clerk Nadler read correspondence regarding a Charter fee change. Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Foster 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 April 3, 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 Taylor motioned, and Trustee Phillips 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:** Miranda Keys and Jamie Bender were on the agenda but not present.

Egypt Call addressed the board regarding a sidewalk on 5<sup>th</sup> Street that is crumbling, a culvert on 5<sup>th</sup> Street that is damaged, some street damage on 5<sup>th</sup> Street, and people walking through her yard because there is no sidewalk. The village will look the culvert and street complaints and informed her that sidewalks are resident responsibility.

Paige Mushaney addressed the board regarding consideration of adding volleyball poles at the park so that people could bring nets and use the

facilities, and also to consider having the Dupo Art department to put up a mural somewhere at the Park. Trustee Phillips suggested putting a mural at the Splash Pad. Other discussion was held regarding having the school present designs, and possibly multiple buildings. They will work with Trustee Taylor. The board was also supportive of the volleyball pole idea. There is also a concert and art exhibit at the high school this Thursday at 6 PM.

**Old Business:** Discussion was held regarding status of I255 project getting delayed due to an archeologic artifact skull found, IDOT putting a hold on supplemental #6, the need for the Village to inform Burns and McDonnell to put the project on hold, and a push to have the purchased buildings demolished. The board was in agreement with putting the project on hold so the Village doesn't assume the risk of additional project debt until the skull issue can be resolved and the IDOT hold released.

The revised Raffle Code was tabled until the next meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the allocation percentages for Village gas/diesel charges based on the usage evaluation, suggested revised spread of fuel costs, the police department looking to move to using WEX charge cards. Discussion was held regarding fuel use monitoring equipment and other tracking being offered by the alternate fuel provider.

**New Business:** Discussion was held regarding a proposal from Heritage Petroleum to provide fuel for the Village of Dupo. Mike Terry from Heritage discussed services and supplies offered (fuel, oil, grease, etc), monitors they add on the tanks, free delivery, they would replace our current tank with 2 tanks that includes the monitors.

Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to approve Heritage Petroleum as the Village fuel provider. 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 annual raffle license renewal request from Jaycee Faries and 5<sup>th</sup> Street Billiards.

Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve a 1-year raffle license for 5<sup>th</sup> Street Billiards with the raffle fee waived. 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 approve a resolution to use RBI MFT funds for the demolition of the I255 garages.

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 23-04 to use RBI funds of \$24,706 for the demolition of sheds for the Davis Street Ferry overpass project. 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 clarifier skirt down and needs to be fixed, and the need to buy bushing, bearing and scrappers to complete the repair, also the truck still in the shop being repaired, the status of burying the electric conduit and putting the 2<sup>nd</sup> pump in the trickling filter pit.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Taylor discussed having a shred day at the Village Hall on June 24<sup>th</sup> from 10am-noon, a meeting coming up on social media archiving, the Community Awareness day this Saturday at the high school, alternate sign design, sign bids, consideration of using solar power for lighting, consideration of only doing one sign right now, 6-8 week timeframe, and the need for the Village to put in a concrete slab and electric. Discussion was held regarding the south end flag is now installed and checking if it is lit.

Trustee Taylor motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to approve purchase of a sign from Signorama and concrete and installation by Village employees for \$13,000 paid from the Main Street fund. Trustees voting “Aye”, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, Basinski. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed training coming up for new United Systems software and equipment.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed work in an alley coming up, playground mulch is in, waiting on a ramp and handrail on the playground equipment, blacktop sealing at the park and village hall, plans for repairing grass from the playground install, splash pad opening date, work planned on the ball field so it can be used, weekend park and summer help planning, sprinkler repairs, pricing pickle ball courts, submitted paperwork for our playground grant reimbursement, and reporting on Federal fund usage for playground work.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Keys, and Chief Plew discussed court order and signing a work order to clear Jamie Benders property, work orders on other Main Street properties to be cleaned up, and status

of the sirens being installed in the Village and area.

Street Committee Chairperson Dell discussed status of replacing and repairing culverts, ditch and other drainage work, plan to review 5<sup>th</sup> Street complaint, work on Bluffview Drive, other upcoming road work planning to be done with the annual oil and chip, and status of street truck issues and repairs.

Mike Koonce discussed a review meeting with insurance for OHSA review prep, scheduling of training, and upcoming hydrant flow testing.

**Zoning/Planning Board:**

**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 8:31 P.M.

***Mark Nadler, Clerk***