

August 7, 2023

Open Time: The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupu, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 7th day of August 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, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustee(s) Absent: Foster. There being a quorum present, President Wilson declared the meeting open for business. Others in attendance: Attorney Swartwout, Treasurer Holzhauer, Chief Plew, Jamie Bender, Tom Davis, Jaycee Faries, Chris Talbott, Sue Link, Gary Massie, Judy Clifton.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to excuse Trustee Foster and Clerk Nadler. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Communications: Trustee Basinski read correspondence regarding Safe Routes to School program, Harrisonville contacts, and American Tower lease termination notice. Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to put the communications on file. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Dell seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of July 17, 2023, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Bills: Discussion was held regarding setting up the new police cell phone and AT&T payment timing. Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to approve the bills, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Public Address Board: Jamie Bender addressed the board regarding a bill the Village issued him that he dropped back at the Village hall to review and concerns with an employee use of a Village truck.

Judy Clifton addressed the board regarding an open ditch at 501 State St. that she was told would have a culvert installed and closed in but has never been completed. Trustee Dell responded that there are valves in the ditch and other reasons why it may not be able to be closed but would have it checked out further. She also had a question about an empty lot on 4th street and what development options she has.

Sue Link addressed the board regarding the abandoned building behind her shop, status on cleanup or other options on openings on the back of the building. Mayor Wilson gave a status on the legal status of the property and the Village to do an abatement and figure out a way to board or fence the opening.

Jaycee Faries addressed the board regarding a conservative talk radio station coming to 5th St. Billiards on Friday, 8/11/2023 from 5-8 PM and requested attendance by Village board members for support.

Tom Davis addressed the board regarding a FOIA to obtain the recording from the last meeting, obtain building inspector Mike Spinner's credentials, questions about tickets he received for violation of Cease and Desist orders, and things he has at the property that he will not move.

Gary Massie addressed the board regarding the dead end of Stone Street that has a large crown and asking for review and leveling. Mike Koonce will review with Rex Keys.

Old Business: Discussion was held regarding upcoming archeologic webinar regarding utility easements that could require additional review, status of extending right-of-way engineering fundings, and status of working with Duckworth's office looking at grant options.

Discussion was tabled regarding the business license application for the Tattoo shop pending the ISP background check results.

Discussion was held regarding Intergovernmental Agreement with Dupo 196 regarding the extension of the School Resource officer contract being complete, pending signature by Clerk Nadler.

Discussion was held regarding cleanup of 3 village owned properties. This would not be eligible to pay from COVID relief funds so additional consideration and discussion is needed.

New Business: None.

Committee Reports: Sewer Committee had nothing to report.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Taylor discussed the new sign at south end of town will be delivered and installed on 8/16/2023, repurposing of the plants that were at the south end of town, suggestions to clean up the sign area at the north end of town, other village maintenance considerations with IDOT right-of-way mowing, status of review of Walt's trucking property issues and abatements, information on new / replacement billing software, bingo meeting at the American Legion as a fundraiser opportunity for July 4th fireworks, status of the emergency alert system coming online, monthly calendar being posted on Facebook, and idea for board and village department summary information gathering to post.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed the need to approve the MetroAG lime sludge removal proposal with a 10% price increase, bid coming for materials for Sugarloaf Hill tank, Amanda attending a water course at SIU, Mike and DJ attending a conference in September, and scheduling water operator meetings in October sponsored by suppliers.

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Phillips seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 23-09 for the MetroAG Lime Sludge removal proposal for 7/1/2023-6/30/2025 for \$18.97 per cubic yard. Trustees voting "Aye", Basinski, Dell, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips and member Taylor discussed a Grant Application up to \$50,000 being evaluated, status of drinking fountain and soda machine, train tire replacement for park events, status of mural, and status of painting pavilions and benches.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Keys, Chief Plew, and Mayor Wilson discussed purchasing of 2 new police package Tahoe's for less than state pricing to replace 2 old vehicles, use of COVID relief funds to pay, the need to equip them separately once we receive them, and concerns with addressing abatements due to volume, time to do, follow up tasks, etc.

Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 23-10 to purchase of a 2023 Police package Chevy Tahoe from Karl Chevrolet in Iowa for \$41,407 VIN ending in 9441. Trustees voting "Aye", Basinski, Dell, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to

approve Ordinance 23-15 to purchase of a 2023 Police package Chevy Tahoe from Karl Chevrolet in Iowa for \$41,407 VIN ending in 9364. Trustees voting "Aye", Basinski, Dell, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Street Committee Chairperson Dell discussed status of abatements and board ups, planning for salt purchase for coming winter, street repair status, right-of-way mowing, slag loading plan, and upcoming oil and chip plans.

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, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay," none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Mark Nadler, Clerk