

October 16, 2023

Open Time: The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupu, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 16th day of October 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, Jamie Bender, Deron Riley, A. Riley, and Chris Koppenhofer.

Communications: None.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of October 2, 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 getting the Cintas bill corrected and saving over \$400. Trustee Taylor motioned, and Trustee Basinski 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: Jamie Bender addressed the board regarding someone putting recycling in his yard near the firehouse and concerns with old farm equipment in his neighbor’s yard.

Jule Levin addressed the board regarding storing of some foam on his property, hauling off of old farming equipment, and concerns with his neighbor starting to collect junk again and what the Village can do, concerns with the light still on the property, and thanks for the oil and chip.

Chris Koppenhofer addressed the board regarding a request to block off Audry on 10/28 from 11 AM – 3 PM for a neighborhood Halloween Party.

Attorney Swartwout swore in the new police officer Deron Riley #51.

Old Business: Discussion was held regarding status of I255 no movement, waiting on SA6 approval and feedback from tribes.

Discussion was held regarding insurance renewal budget and deductible work, and meeting on November 6th at 10:00 AM to review outstanding claims.

New Business: Discussion was held regarding approving a laptop for Treasurer Holzhauer.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to approve purchase of a laptop from Miken for \$1171.77 for the Village Treasurer. 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 next step on TIF project to set a date for a public hearing on Monday, December 4, 2023 at 6:30 PM and publication requirements.

Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to approve Ordinance 23-18 to set the TIF Public Hearing date for 12/4/2023 at 6:30 PM. 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 getting the skirting for the clarifier and scheduling of installation, issue with new wires being burned after the solar company changed a fuse that will need to be repaired again, status of setting up the 2nd pump in the trickling filter, plans for valve repair, and work on 2nd tank on sludge pit. Ameren did a study on the electrical line in the Sewer plant but have not given us the results. The Village will send a letter on letterhead to request the Ameren results from their study.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Taylor discussed the need for a personnel issue to be covered in executive session, signage at the south end of town being small and consider moving it to the north end and putting a larger sign at the south end, obtaining pricing for a larger sign, status of the power on the sign, and a question on a property on 3rd and Dyroff that has junk collecting on it.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed status of work on the mixer for the lime silo, status of additional radio readers installation,

information on the PFAS settlement, press release and mailer for electric aggregation, and discussion about bill and delivery of meters.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips and Trustee Taylor discussed upcoming gas qualification of employees through USDI, closing date of the park on 11/4/2023 (time change), discussion if the board would like to leave the bathroom open part of the day, quote of the Village Hall replacement sign of \$5,500, Chili Cookoff this weekend at the park, and Halloween event next weekend at the park from 6-8 PM.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Keys, and Chief Plew discussed Officer Riley started today and status of getting him started, and status of getting cost to repair the police department from the fire at the neighboring property for insurance. Discussion was held regarding the sidewalk grant application available for the board to review and the Resolution for the grant application. Discussion was held regarding an employee CDL license status.

Trustee Keys motioned, and Trustee Taylor seconded for the Board to approve Resolution 23-18 authorizing financial commitment in the safe routes to school grant program. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Street Committee Chairperson Dell discussed culvert work starting at the school tomorrow, status of mowing right ways, considering getting Curry to do MFT, status of cleaning out dirt at the Baptist Church, and status of parts to repair compressor and bobcat repair.

Discussion was held regarding waiting on parts to come in for Cencom to finish the warning sirens.

Zoning/Planning Board:

Other Business: Trustee Dell 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}/{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 8:02 P.M.

Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Basinski 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 8:32 P.M.

Trustee Taylor motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to approve allowing IPMG to move forward with a water break settlement. Trustees voting "Aye", Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Trustee Dell motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to approve bidding Assistant Chief Utility positions for each department. Trustees voting "Aye", Basinski, Dell, Foster, Taylor, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

Adjournment Time: With nothing further to come before the board, Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Basinski 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 8:35 P.M.

Mark Nadler, Clerk