# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA, IL., HELD APRIL 19, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Metamora was called to order at 7:00PM.

Village Clerk, Bylle Long, called the roll call.

Present were: President: Cummings

Trustees: Nauman, Schierer, Weyeneth, Glueck, Bowers and Alig

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the Special meeting held April 4, 2022, and the regular meeting held April 5, 2022, were reviewed. Trustee Bowers made a motion for approval with Trustee Alig seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the Special meeting minutes were approved. With a vote of 5 yeas and 1 abstain (Weyeneth) the regular meeting minutes were approved.

The Warrant List was review. Trustee Weyeneth made a motion for approval with Trustee Alig seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

#### **Recognize Guests/Public Comments**

There were none.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Cummings acknowledged the people from Goldmine Gaming and asked them to address the Board with information regarding the gaming casino they wish to put in the old Homestead building on the square.

Bethany Murphy, representing Goldmine Gaming, addressed the Board with information of what, how, and when they plan on opening. She answered many questions from the Board. This issue will be put on the agenda for discussion and/or approval at the May 3, 2022 meeting.

## **Engineer's Report**

Bob Kohlhaus gave updates on the following:

- 1. Niles St. Watermain project
- 2. Well #6 Pump/Motor Repair/Estimate Received
- 3. Drainage Improvement Projects
- 4. MFT Road Evaluation
- 5. Demo of Niles St. Houses

#### Attorney's Report

Presented for approval was the Ordinance for entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement for Village's Participation in the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network (IPWMAN)

Trustee Weyeneth made a motion for approval with Trustee Glueck seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Attorney Brunton gave an overview of the process for grant funding for the new firehouse project.

Mayor Cummings asked the audience, rural fire representatives and trustees what their impressions were of the three RFQ firms that gave presentations on April 4<sup>th</sup>. The general consensus was pretty even between Archimages and Farnsworth. The advantage for Farnsworth was they are in Peoria and Paul Kouri (who lives in Metamora) would be lead on the project and would be readily available to handle any issues that may arise during the project.

Trustee Weyeneth made a motion to approve Farnsworth as the architectural firm for the firehouse project and Trustee Glueck seconded. With a vote of 5 yeas and 1 nay (Schierer), the motion passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

CASH BALANCES

Cash balances as of March 31, 2022 increased \$53,936 at a .81% increase from February 28, 2022

#### MAJOR RECEIPTS

State of Illinois	\$ 102,958
Motor Fuel Taxes	\$ 48,476
Ameren	\$ 11,234
CCMSI	\$ 36,598
MTHS	\$ 19,125
MAJOR DISBURSEMENTS	
BlueCross/Blue Shield	\$ 11,510
Eureka-Goodfield FD	\$ 10,209
Farnsworth	\$ 41,484
Metamora FD	\$ 14,249
Municipal Well & Pump	\$ 10,620

### INVESTMENTS

Funds were invested during the month of March 2022 in the Money Market at Commerce Bank earning interest at .05%. The Insured Cash Sweep Account earned interest at .25% and the Goodfield State Bank Money Market earned interest at .1%.

## **Public Works Department**

Trustee Nauman asked if the Village would refund permit payments if the company decided not to proceed with the project. He made a motion to approve refunding of said permits but without a second, the motion was not approved.

Trustee Nauman made a motion to approve the estimate from Municipal Well & Pump in the amount of \$43,950.00 for rehab of Well #6. Trustee Schierer seconded and with a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Trustee Nauman spoke of a drainage problem on Big Red Drive. He said he would talk in depth about this at the committee meeting on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Next, he spoke of the Old Flame building now being used for retail outdoor storage shed sales. Kaleb Bond owns the business and also wants to use the building as a church. Attorney Brunton said the problem is with the zoning code. The property is zoned for

one use not two. He suggested Mr. Bond apply for a special use permit and then the issues could be more defined.

## Police/Fire/ESD

Trustee Glueck made a motion to approve the purchase of 25 flashlights from MES for the fire department in the amount of \$1475.00. Trustee Schierer seconded and with a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

## Finance, Economic Development, Insurance, Special Projects

There was no report.

Trustee Alig stated he would not be in attendance at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and would like, at this time, to state what his feelings are regarding the gaming casino. He is not in favor of having another gaming casino in town.

## **Old Business**

Trustee Nauman said he wants to go on record that he thinks the comment made by some of the firemen that they would quit if the new firehouse was built east of town was totally inappropriate and he could not understand why they made that statement when the Village is trying to give the ambulance and fire department what they need to continue service to the Village. They want to be involved in discussions of the plans to build, but do not want it east of town or they say they will quit. The final decision of where it will be built hasn't even been made.

# **New Business**

There was none.

# **Executive Session – If Requested**

There were no requests

# Adjourn

With no more to discuss, Trustee Nauman made a motion to adjourn with Trustee Weyeneth seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:03PM

Bylle Long

Village Clerk