

VILLAGE OF BIG ROCK

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting/Committee of the Whole



Tuesday September 27th, 2022

7:00 PM

Park District Building

7S 405 Madison

Big Rock, Illinois

CALL TO ORDER

PRESIDENT HUMMELL CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: VILLAGE PRESIDENT DEAN HUMMELL; TRUSTEE MCCANNON; TRUSTEE METZGER; TRUSTEE LYNCH; TRUSTEE FITZPATRICK; TRUSTEE MAY; TRUSTEE WALSH

ALSO PRESENT: TREASURER PHILLIPS AND VILLAGE ATTORNEY ZEMENAK

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESIDENT HUMMELL LED THE BOARD IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PRESIDENT HUMMELL ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE TO HONOR OUR MILITARY AND ALLIES

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

NONE.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

NONE.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2022

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2022 VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES

MOTION TO APPROVE: TRUSTEE METZGER; SECOND: TRUSTEE FITZGERALD; ROLL CALL VOTE: 6-0

RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOTION TO RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: TRUSTEE METZGER; SECOND: TRUSTEE WALSH; VOICE VOTE: 6-0

PRESIDENT HUMMELL

PRESIDENT HUMMELL STATED THAT HE RECEIVED A CALL FROM SUGAR GROVE POLICE CHIEF TO DISCUSS TRAFFIC ISSUES AT THE RECENT GOLF TOURNAMENT AT RICH HARVEST FARMS, AND THE CHIEF APOLOGIZED THAT TRAFFIC WAS NOT HANDLED BETTER, AND HE WILL TRY TO WORK BETTER WITH THE VILLAGE FOR FUTURE EVENTS. SEVERAL TRUSTEES COMMENTED ABOUT STORIES THEY HEARD FROM RESIDENTS ABOUT TRAFFIC ISSUES.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS

DRAINAGE COMMITTEE REPORT

NO REPORT.

STREET MAINTENANCE REPORT

GENEVA CONSTRUCTION IS WORKING ON SCHEDULING THE STREET PAVING WORK, BUT THERE ARE CONCERNS OVER MADISON ROAD WORK DUE TO SOCCER GAMES. TRYING TO SCHEDULE AROUND 10/15/22. TRUSTEE FITZPATRICK DISCUSSED AN AREA ALONG MADISON THAT MAY WORK FOR DIAGONAL PARKING, BUT PRESIDENT HUMMELL THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD BE BEST TO ADDRESS THAT NEXT YEAR. PRESIDENT HUMMELL STATED THAT THERE IS CRACKING ON RECENT PAVEMENT IN TOWN, SUCH AS JEFFERSON, WHERE SOME PATCHING IS NEEDED. TRUSTEE FITZPATRICK STATED THAT HE MENTIONED PATCHING TO GENEVA CONSTRUCTION. TRUSTEE HUMMELL SAID THAT PATCHING NEEDS TO BE PART OF NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET.

DEPT. OF BUILDING/SAFETY/ZONING REPORT

DEAN DISCUSSED TELLING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO STOP WORK FOR THE YEAR. HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, DEAN SAID THAT HE WOULD PLACE THAT CALL.

FINANCIAL REPORT

PRESIDENT HUMMELL SAID THAT FINANCIALLY, THINGS ARE IN ORDER. HE IS GETTING QUICK BOOKS ONTO THE NEW COMPUTERS AND EVERYTHING IS UP AND RUNNING. PAYROLL WAS PROCESSED.

THE SOFTWARE USED IN THE OFFICE IS ON MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTIONS, BUT CURRENTLY IS ON PRESIDENT HUMMELL'S PERSONAL CREDIT CARD. DISCUSSED GOING TO RESOURCE BANK FOR A DEBIT/CREDIT CARD IN THE VILLAGE'S NAME AND PLACING A CREDIT LIMIT OF \$500.00 OR SO. VIRUS PROTECTION IS UP TO DATE. IN THE PROCESS OF REPLACING PRINTERS, DESKS, ETC., AND ATTORNEY ZEMENAK MENTIONED THAT THE VILLAGE BOARD MUST DECLARE ANY PERSONAL PROPERTY OF VALUE TO BE DISPOSED AS SURPLUS PROPERTY IN ORDER TO DISPOSE, DONATE, OR SELL

PRESIDENT HUMMELL MENTIONED THAT HE NEEDS TO TALK TO TIM MAY ABOUT SEWER BILLING. HE ALSO STATED THAT HE HAS RECEIVED INTEREST IN THE CLERK'S POSITION FROM 2 BIG ROCK RESIDENTS, AND HE WILL SPEAK WITH THEM.

COMMUNITY REPORT
DONATION TO THE BIG ROCK PLOWING MATCH

SINCE THIS IS AN EVENT THAT GREATLY BENEFITS THE COMMUNITY, THE BOARD DISCUSSED THAT A DONATION TO THE PLOWING MATCH IS WARRANTED SINCE THE PLOWING MATCH LOST OVER \$10K FROM THE CIRCUS, DESPITE GOOD ATTENDANCE OVERALL. PRESIDENT HUMMELL STATED THAT THE PLOWING MATCH IS WAITING ON FINAL NUMBERS, BUT THINKS THEY MAY BE CLOSE TO BREAKING EVEN. BOARD DISCUSSED A \$10K DONATION. ATTORNEY ZEMENAK MENTIONED THAT THE BOARD SHOULD APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IF THIS DONATION PUSHES THE VILLAGE OVER THE LIMIT OF COMMUNITY DONATIONS APPROVED IN THE BUDGET.

VILLAGE CLERKS POSITION

(NO ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION)

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Metzger asked whether we can notify residents in advance of septic tank pumping. The company has a schedule for pumping tanks on a rotating basis every 4 years or so, but the order of doing so is currently random. President Hummell stated that he will discuss with Darren. Also discussed that this company has encountered some occasional wiring/electrical issues when accessing tanks.

Trustee Lynch asked about the Christmas party, and President Hummell stated that it is scheduled for December 9, 2022 at Fireside.

Trustee McCannon discussed communities involved in the 708 Board, created by the State, to address mental health, substance abuse, and related issues on a County-wide basis. He sits on the Board as the Big Rock representative. This Board is a taxing body that distributes money to organizations that help with these issues and provide free help to residents.

Trustee Fitzpatrick discussed recent tree trimming and clean-up in rights-of-way that looks good. Trustee Lynch mentioned a huge limb hanging over a wire on Jericho Road near the bridge.

VILLAGE EMPLOYEES

NO COMMENTS.

RECONVENE THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

MOTION: TRUSTEE METZGER; SECOND: TRUSTEE WALSH; VOICE VOTE: 6-0

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE No. 2022-____, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING DONATION TO THE BIG ROCK PLOWING MATCH IN THE AMOUNT OF _____

(DEAN STATED THAT THIS AGENDA ITEM IS AMENDED TO BE AN APPROVAL BY MOTION; NOT AN ORDINANCE.)

TRUSTEE FITZPATRICK MADE THE FOLLOWING MOTION: MOTION TO APPROVE A COMMUNITY DONATION TO THE BIG ROCK PLOWING MATCH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00.

SECOND: TRUSTEE WALSH ; ROLL CALL VOTE: 6-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NONE

Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN: TRUSTEE FITZPATRICK; SECOND: TRUSTEE MAY; ROLL CALL VOTE: 6-0. TIME: 7:45 P.M.