VILLAGE OF PEOTONE
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD
MINUTES OF AUGUST 10, 2015

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS LED BY THE INTERIM VILLAGE PRESIDENT, STEVEN CROSS.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX HALL, 208 E. MAIN STREET, PEOTONE, ILLINOIS; THE INTERIM VILLAGE PRESIDENT, STEVEN CROSS, PRESIDING. THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS ANSWERED ROLL CALL: MR. HUPKE, MR. JONES, DR. MARCH, MR. BOWDEN, AND MR. HACK. TRUSTEE FORSYTHE WAS ABSENT. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ENGINEER, ATTORNEY, A POLICE CHIEF, MS. FREDERICKS, MR. HOFFNER, AND MS. BORMET.

MOTION BY BOWDEN, SECONDED BY JONES, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 27, 2015, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. BOWDEN, JONES, MARCH AND HACK VOTING AYE; HUPKE VOTING PRESENT; MOTION CARRIED.

TRUSTEE HUPKE STATED THAT WHEN HE HAD QUESTIONED WHERE WE TOOK THE VEHICLES FOR REPAIRS, HE WAS TOLD THAT THE WORK WAS SPREAD AROUND. THERE IS ANOTHER REPAIR BILL IN THIS MEETING'S ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. THE CLERK PULLED THE INVOICES IN QUESTION FOR THE TRUSTEE'S REVIEW.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO APPROVE THE PAYROLL AND TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN ALL CATEGORIZED FUNDS AS PRESENTED. HUPKE, HACK, BOWDEN, MARCH, AND JONES VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT  - MS. FREDERICKS (FIRE PIT BAR & GRILL) STATED THAT WHEN SHE APPLIED FOR THE M LICENSE, SHE THOUGHT THAT WAS ALL SHE NEEDED FOR MUSIC OUTSIDE. SHE HAS FOUND OUT THAT SHE ALSO NEEDS A $250.00 COMMERCIAL AMPLIFIER PERMIT. SHE INQUIRED IF THE AMPLIFIER PERMIT COULD BE PRORATED FOR THE MONTHS SHE WOULD NEED IT. THE BOARD DISCUSSED SEVERAL WAYS OF PRORATING THE PERMIT. THE ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS THE OPTIONS AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.

MS. FREDERICKS INQUIRED ABOUT BEING OPEN WITH ALCOHOL IN THE MORNING DURING THE AUGUST 22ND COMMUNITY DAY. THE POLICE CHIEF STATED THAT IT WAS ONLY SUNDAY THAT ALCOHOL COULDN'T BE SERVED BEFORE 11:00 A.M.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR BORMET INQUIRED ABOUT A 5K WALK DURING THE AUGUST 22ND COMMUNITY DAY. SHE WAS TOLD THAT MUCH PLANNING WAS NEEDED ALONG WITH STREET CLOSURES AND EMERGENCY PERSONNEL. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT SHE BEGIN PLANNING THE EVENT FOR THE NEXT FARMERS MARKET EVENT. CHIEF SUGGESTED SHE GET IN CONTACT WITH THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT AT THE SCHOOL. THEY PLAN A SIMILAR EVENT EVERY YEAR AND WOULD BE ABLE TO GIVE INSIGHT FOR WHAT WOULD BE INVOLVED.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT  - NONE

ENGINEER REPORT – THE SIDEWALK PROJECT WOULD BEGIN LATER THIS WEEK. TRUSTEE HUPKE INQUIRED ABOUT ANY NEWS REGARDING THE WILMINGTON ROAD SIDEWALK/BIKE PATH. THE ENGINEER STATED THAT GRANT FUNDING HAS BEEN SUSPENDED.
TRUSTEE JONES INQUIRED ON AVERAGE HOW MUCH DID THE VILLAGE SPEND ON THE SIDEWALK PROJECTS. THE ENGINEER STATED THAT ON AVERAGE, THE AMOUNT WAS $50,000.00, BUT THAT THERE WAS NO SIDEWALK PROJECT LAST YEAR.

MR. BOVARA HAD SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION FOR A HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT FOR J & G DECORATING. AN INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR PAINTING BUSINESS. MR. BOVARA WAS NOT PRESENT. THE BOARD MEMBERS HAD QUESTIONS.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY JONES, TO TABLE THE HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT REQUEST UNTIL MR. BOVARA COULD BE PRESENT. HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, BOWDEN, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MR. HOFFNER OF THE PEOTONE HISTORICAL SOCIETY WAS PRESENT TO REQUEST FUNDING FOR REPAIRS AT THE RATHJE MILL. HE EXPLAINED THAT THE DOORS NEED TO BE REPAIRED/REPLACED. THE CEDAR SHINGLES ALSO NEED TO BE REPLACED. THE QUOTE FOR THE DOORS WAS $3300.00. THE QUOTE FOR THE SHINGLES WAS $3900.00. MR. HOFFNER STATED THAT THE SOCIETY WOULD ONLY REPLACE/REPAIR THE DOORS THIS YEAR. FUNDS WERE ALLOCATED IN THE VILLAGE BUDGET FOR MILL REPAIRS. PRESIDENT CROSS STATED THAT THE MILL SHOULD SUBMIT THE INVOICES TO THE VILLAGE FOR PAYMENT.

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR MILL REPAIRS NOT TO EXCEED $5,000.00. JONES, HUPKE, HACK, BOWDEN, AND MARCH VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAVE REQUESTED PERMISSION FOR THE 45TH ANNUAL INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES FUND DRIVE AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE VILLAGE. IT WAS NOTED THAT THE REQUEST INCLUDED INTERSECTIONS AS WELL AS BUSINESS LOCATIONS. THE VILLAGE ORDINANCE PROHIBITS FUND RAISING IN THE VILLAGE INTERSECTIONS.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO APPROVE THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS REQUEST FOR THE 45TH ANNUAL INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES FUND DRIVE AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE VILLAGE. HUPKE, MARCH, JONES, BOWDEN, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

PRESIDENT CROSS STATED HIS DESIRE TO CREATE A CHRISTMAS EVENT COMMISSION TO ORGANIZE A ONE DAY CHRISTMAS EVENT IN THE VILLAGE FOR DECEMBER 12, 2015. THE COMMISSION WOULD CONSIST OF SEVEN MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 15-10 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE III, CHAPTER 33 OF THE CODE OF PEOTONE ADDING A CHRISTMAS EVENT ORGANIZING COMMISSION. HUPKE, HACK, BOWDEN, MARCH, AND JONES VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM COMCAST CABLE HAVE REQUESTED NINETY (90) DAYS TO CANVAS THE VILLAGE SOLICITING THE COMCAST PRODUCTS. THE VILLAGE ORDINANCE ALLOWS THREE CONSECUTIVE DAYS (NO SUNDAYS) ONCE PER YEAR. NO ONE FROM COMCAST WAS PRESENT. TRUSTEE HUPKE INQUIRED IF COMCAST HAS ALREADY USED THEIR ALLOTTED THREE DAYS TO SOLICIT. HE INQUIRED WHY THE SOLICITATION COULDN'T BE DONE BY TELEPHONE. THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE FRANCHISE BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND COMCAST. THE QUESTION WAS RAISED IF THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT HAD ANY PROVISIONS FOR THE SOLICITATION. THE DECISION WAS MADE TO TABLE THE REQUEST AND THE COMMITTEE WOULD RESEARCH THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT.
MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY BOWDEN TO TABLE THE COMCAST SOLICITATION
REQUEST UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING. HUPKE, BOWDEN, JONES, MARCH, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNITY DAY IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 22, IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA.

THE OLD MILL FEST IS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 20.

AN ADOPT A SOLDIER COINING PROGRAM IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 16.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY BOWDEN, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:40 P.M. TO DISCUSS THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC BODY. HUPKE, BOWDEN, HACK, JONES, AND MARCH VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:17 P.M. HUPKE, MARCH, BOWDEN, HACK, AND JONES VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 8:18 P.M. HUPKE, HACK, BOWDEN, JONES, AND MARCH VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

Donna Werner
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