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. HACK, AND MR. FORSYTHE. ALSO PRESENT WERE THE CLERK, ENGINEER, ATTORNEY, POLICE CHIEF, AND SEVERAL RESIDENTS.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 11, 2015, REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. FORSYTHE, HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, HACK, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 11, 2015, BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS HEARING AS WRITTEN. FORSYTHE, HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, HACK, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY HACK, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 14, 2015, SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. HACK, MARCH, JONES, HUPKE, FORSYTHE, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY MARCH, SECONDED BY JONES, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 18, 2015, SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING AS WRITTEN. MARCH, JONES, HACK, FORSYTHE, HUPKE, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

THE CLERK / COLLECTOR REPORT AND THE TREASURER REPORT WERE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT - CHIEF MORT REPORTED THAT THERE WOULD BE EXTRA TRAFFIC EVERY FRIDAY DUE TO THE WEEKLY MEETING OF THE PIPELINE WORKERS AT THE FAIRGROUNDS.

ENGINEER REPORT - NONE

THE ATTORNEY EXPLAINED THAT MORE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ARE GOING WITH CYBER INSURANCE. WHILE THE ADDITIONAL POLICY WOULD GIVE US MORE COVERAGE THAN OUR CURRENT POLICY, THE ATTORNEY EXPLAINED THAT OUR EXPOSURE IS SMALL. WE HAVE PROCEDURES IN PLACE REGARDING HANDLING PERSONAL INFORMATION. THE TWO MILLION DOLLAR POLICY WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY $3,000. AND HAS A $10,000.00 DEDUCTIBLE. THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS NOT TO PURSUE THE INSURANCE AT THIS TIME, PERHAPS DOWN THE ROAD WE WOULD LOOK AT IT AGAIN.
TODD SANDBERG WAS PRESENT, ON BEHALF OF THE PEOTONE CAR CLUB, TO REQUEST THE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AND AN AMPLIFIER PERMIT FOR THE 28th ANNUAL CAR SHOW. THE REQUEST INCLUDED THE STREET CLOSURES OF MAIN, FROM RAILROAD TO FIRST; SECOND, FROM MAIN TO CRAWFORD; AND NORTH, FROM RAILROAD TO FIRST ON JULY 25, 2015, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AND THE AMPLIFIER PERMIT FOR THE 28th ANNUAL CAR SHOW WITH THE STREET CLOSURES OF MAIN, FROM RAILROAD TO FIRST; SECOND, FROM MAIN TO CRAWFORD; AND NORTH, FROM RAILROAD TO FIRST ON JULY 25, 2015, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

A SIGN VARIANCE HAD BEEN GRANTED TO WILLIAM PRESTO III FOR A MURAL ON THE BUILDING, LOCATED AT 209 E. MAIN STREET, WHICH WOULD EXCEED THE ALLOWABLE SIZE.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 15-06 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A VARIANCE FOR THE ALLOWABLE SIGNAGE AT 209 E. MAIN ST.; GREASY CHEEK AUTO. FORSYTHE, HACK, MARCH, JONES, HUPKE, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE REQUEST HAD BEEN MADE AT THE MAY 11, 2015, BOARD MEETING TO CREATE A NEW STANDING COMMITTEE TO BE CALLED THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 15-07 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE III, CHAPTER 33, OF THE CODE OF PEOTONE ADDING A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. JONES, HUPKE, FORSYTHE, HACK, MARCH, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MS. DUFFY HAS SUBMITTED A REQUEST FOR A FENCE VARIANCE AT 627 E. WALNUT STREET. THE VARIANCE IS FOR A PRIVACY FENCE. THE CURRENT CODE REQUIRES SPACE BETWEEN THE SLATS OF THE FENCE.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO PASS RESOLUTION 15-R05 – A RESOLUTION REGARDING A VARIANCE FOR THE ALLOWABLE FENCING AT 627 E. WALNUT STREET. FORSYTHE, HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, HACK, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE RTE. 50 / HAUERT STREET / CRAWFORD STREET INTERSECTION. BECAUSE OF THE ODD CONFIGURATION OF THE STREETS, THE PET STORE PARKING, TONY'S PIZZA PARKING, AND THE FIREPIT BAR & GRILL PARKING, IT IS A DANGEROUS INTERSECTION. YELLOW STRIPING AT TONY'S, FIREPIT, AND THE PET STORE WAS DISCUSSED. REQUIRING CONCRETE PARKING BUMPERS AT TONY'S PIZZA SO THE CARS CAN'T PULL RIGHT OUT ONTO RTE. 50 WAS DISCUSSED. MS. FREDERICKS WAS PRESENT TO EXPLAIN HER INTENTION TO RAZE THE HOUSE NEXT TO FIREPIT ON CRAWFORD TO PROVIDE PARKING ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE RESTAURANT, BUT SHE WAS TOLD THAT THERE WAS A PROBLEM WITH THE SIZE OF THE PARCEL TO CREATE A PARKING LOT. PAVING THE LOT WITHIN A COUPLE OF YEARS TO LET THE STONE SETTLE WAS DISCUSSED. OTHER INTERSECTIONS WITH LOW VISIBILITY WERE DISCUSSED.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR GEORGE GRAY HAS SUBMITTED HIS RESIGNATION EFFECTIVE JUNE 17, 2015.

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY MARCH, TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF GEORGE GRAY AS VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR AND TO APPROVE THE SEVERANCE PACKAGE. JONES, MARCH, HACK, FORSYTHE, HUPKE, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.
TRUSTEE CROSS HAD BEEN ELECTED AS THE INTERIM VILLAGE PRESIDENT AT THE MAY 14, 2015 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING. MR. CROSS HAS SUBMITTED HIS RESIGNATION AS TRUSTEE.

MOTION BY MARCH, SECONDED BY JONES, TO ACCEPT STEVEN CROSS’S RESIGNATION AS VILLAGE TRUSTEE. MARCH, JONES, HUPKE, FORSYTHE, HACK, AND CROSS VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

WITH THE RESIGNATION OF MR. CROSS AS TRUSTEE, THERE IS NOW A VACANCY ON THE BOARD. ANY INTERESTED PERSONS LIVING IN PEOTONE AND MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTENT BY JUNE 8, 2015.

A LETTER HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM INDEPENDENT INSPECTIONS LIMITED. THE COMPANY HAS BEEN PURCHASED BY SAFEbuilt. SAFEbuilt OFFERS MORE SERVICES THAN ILL, ONE OF THEM BEING CODE ENFORCEMENT. A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED TO DISCUSS THE NEW COMPANY AND THE SERVICES THEY OFFER.

THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 10, 2015.

TRUSTEE HACK THANKED THE PEOTONE AMERICAN LEGION FOR THE GOOD PROGRAM AND GREAT TURNOUT ON MEMORIAL DAY.

MS. AUSTELL COMMENTED ON THE BAD SOUND QUALITY WHEN SHE WATCHES THE BOARD MEETINGS ON PAL.

MOTION BY FORSYTHE, SECONDED BY HUPKE, TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:10 P.M. TO DISCUSS APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, AND COMPENSATION OF A SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE OF THE PUBLIC BODY. FORSYTHE, HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, AND HACK VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY HACK, TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION AT 8:29 P.M. HUPKE, HACK, FORSYTHE, MARCH, AND JONES VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION BY HUPKE, SECONDED BY JONES, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PEOTONE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT 8:30 P.M. HUPKE, JONES, MARCH, HACK, AND FORSYTHE VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

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Donna Werner
Village Clerk