Village of Holiday Hills Board Meeting Minutes for October 16, 2024

CALL TO ORDER
President Giles called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL
Board Members present: Brian Agrella, Mickey Brown, Lisa Maier, Kamil Pawlak, Carol Stingel, Richard Young
Board Members absent: none
Staff Present: Clerk Tennessen, Director Dzialo, Attorney Gibson, Chief Caldwell and Commander Copp

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESIDENTS REPORT (J. GILES)
Sewer Update
President Giles reported there were construction problems and those are now rectified. Still doing easement work and dewatering. All the cleanup is done. The groundwater is down about to 7 feet, so the wells that are being drilled need to go to that depth.
There have been several water main breaks. These are not a construction issue. This is just part of the process. The water company is called in every situation. If a residence is affected, then that residence is notified about boil orders. Not village wide unless totally necessary.

Playground Update
President Giles reported that the playground is now open as of September 27, 2024! The grass is growing. Please stay off the grass. President Giles is still looking into a gazebo for the picnic table area.

Approve funding to build shelving for storage in garage not to exceed $500.00
President Giles explained the shelving would be installed on the back wall of the garage for storage of bins and boxes. A short discussion on how long to retain paperwork and documents was held. Attorney Gibson will find out and send info to clerk.
President Giles asked for a motion for funds not to exceed $500.00.
Motion: Brown
Second: Stingel
Ayes: Agrella, Brown, Pawlak, Stingel, Young
Nays: none
Absent: none
Abstain: Maier
Motion carried

President Giles asked to suspend the order on the agenda so that Trustee Maier could speak and then leave.

Trustee Maier tendered her resignation. She spoke on her tenure here as Village Trustee of nearly 10 years. She is moving from the village and so must resign her position.
President Giles asked for a motion to accept the resignation
Motion: Brown
Second: Stingel
Ayes: Agrella, Brown, Pawlak, Stingel, Young
Nays: none
Absent: none
Abstain: Maier
Motion carried
Trustee Maier left the meeting at 7:15pm after the vote was taken.

CLERK'S REPORT (L. TENNESSEN)
Approve minutes for September 18, 2024 Board Meeting
Trustee Brown asked that any corrections be noted in minutes.
Minutes from the Sept 18, 2024 meeting are amended with the following wording regarding MFT fund transfers (under President Giles section):
MFT owes General Fund $112,102.86. This amount is booked in QuickBooks. The amount owed to General Fund by MFT can be forgiven by Board resolution.

Clerk Tennessen asked for a motion with those corrections noted.
Motion: Stingel
Second: Pawlak
Ayes: Agrella, Brown, Pawlak, Stingel, Young
Nays: none
Absent: none
Abstain: none
Motion carried

TREASURER'S REPORT (T. CHESLER)
Approve warrant dated 10/16/2024
Trustee Brown noted that there should be a $97.50 credit showing from Attorney.
Trustee Brown asked for a motion.
Motion: Pawlak
Second: Stingel
Ayes: Agrella, Brown, Pawlak, Stingel, Young
Nays: none
Absent: none
Abstain: none
Motion carried

Treasurer report given by Trustee Brown.
Monthly financial report given by Trustee Brown

Bank	$43,456.84
IL General	$210,582.72
MFT	$59,694.07
Epay	$26,344.99

Discuss Invoice for annual Village insurance for 2024/25
Trustee Brown discussed the cost of the insurance as annually $19,406.49. If the bill is paid in full now, that is what the village would owe. If the Village breaks it down into installments, the cost goes up to $19, 601.00, the difference being $194.51. Part of the discussion was about the breakdown of categories, among them being the workers compensation portion of almost $9,000.00 for the Police Department. The bill is due 12/01/2024, so asking to pay ahead knowing that there are other bills coming due such as Nunda Township roads, tasers and other monthly expenses.

Approve payment of the annual Village insurance not to exceed $19,795.51
Trustee Brown asked for a motion to pay the insurance in one payment of $19,406.49
Motion: Stingel
Second: Brown
Ayes: Agrella, Brown, Pawlak, Stingel, Young
Nays: none
Absent: none
Abstain: none
Motion carried

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT (HLR)
President Giles reported that there were no issues during the month. He is asking that any permitting go to Stormwater first. Once permit is issued from Stormwater or a letter saying no permit is required is received by Village, then the Village can issue the building permit. Any floodplain permit needs Stormwater approval. If there is a LOMA for that property, please bring a copy to the Village for the files. Unpermitted work will be fined at 100% of the permit fee.

MAINTENANCE REPORT (D. DZIALO)
Discuss quotes for power washing Village Hall with possible vote
Director Dzialo discussed the 3 quotes presented. This would include exterior power washing, windows cleaned inside and out, and gutters cleaned. The lowest bidder was selected.

Trustee Pawlak made a motion to accept the lowest bid from Luis Corral for $500.00

Motion: Young
Second: Agrella
Ayes: Agrella, Brown, Pawlak, Stingel, Young
Nays: none
Absent: none
Abstain: none
Motion carried

There is no quote yet for driveway sealing. This will be done in spring. President Giles said that the Village account would handle sweeping and cleaning of the driveway from the playground funds since it was playground that created the mess.

Director Dzialo also reported on the Prairie Path open QA meeting held at the beginning of October. Both she and President Giles attended. It was very informative. Several questions asked and thoroughly answered. Prairie Path talked about upcoming projects.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT (J. CALDWELL)
Monthly report by Commander Copp
From 9/19 to 10/16, there were 20 calls. 12 Traffic with 16 citations/ tickets and no admin tow, 5 parking violations, 2 traffic warnings. YTD there are 158 calls. Sheriff Office (MCSO) made 11 calls.

Update on the taser grant
Commander Copp gave a report on the Taser Grant. The Village (HHPD) was successful in obtaining funds for 4 tasers totaling $10,173.60. The Village will need to submit the payment by November 15, 2024 with the signed contract.
With that in mind, a short discussion was held and agreed verbally to move the next Village Board meeting to November 13, 2024. That is one week earlier than scheduled. A notice will be posted by clerk and November 20 meeting cancelled.

Update on the body camera grant
Commander Copp also talked about the grant for the body cameras and that has been submitted. The police are asking for $25,000.00 for Motorola/GTech. There are options on purchasing or getting donations from other departments. The department will still need computer backup capabilities.

Proposal to amend the Village ordinance for Village sticker fines
Commander Copp also brought up discussion on the cost of the Village Vehicle Sticker violation. Currently, the ordinance states the violation for not displaying a sticker is $100.00. Commander thinks that is excessive and is proposing changing the ordinance to $50.00 fine. There is always the option of Epay to purchase a $10.00 sticker even when the Village Office is not open. The clerk then reported on the numbers of vehicle stickers sold, motorcycle stickers, and golf cart stickers sold. The village made about $3000.00. There was a short discussion on the price of the stickers and the fines.

Halloween safety protocols and officers scheduled to be on duty
Chief Caldwell reported that there will be 2 officers on duty. The Trick or Treat hours will be 4pm to 8pm. He asked the clerk to post those hours.

Chief Caldwell and Commander then addressed an invoice from the State concerning an impounded and consequently sold vehicle from several years past. This is from a state police auction in 2015. An invoice was received for $1084.00 to be paid. The attorney will find the correct information to remit funds.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS (K. PAWLAK)
None

COMMUNITY RELATIONS (C. STINGEL)
Trustee Stingel reported that the committee would be meeting November 6.

ENVIRONMENTAL (L. MAIER)
Accept resignation
This was done under President section.

FINANCE (M. BROWN)
The finances are reported under Treasurer section.
Draft of updated police ordinance for review only
A Review of the police ordinance for positions and pay was presented with highlights of changes proposed. Still need ordinance to specify pay rates.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (R. YOUNG)
None

VILLAGE CODES (B. AGRELLA)
None

OLD BUSINESS
A discussion on lake levels. There is a beaver dam. President Giles has investigated how to get rid of beavers. Trapping needs a license, either commercial for pelt and pay trapper, or good-riddance which allows destruction of the animal. If you just remove the dam, the beavers will build it right back. This will cost $10,000.00 and lake residents will pay the bill, not the Village
Rebuild Illinois has been closed out.

NEW BUSINESS
There will be Halloween festivity at Village Hall, 4pm to 8pm. Crafts and food goodies, along with candy. Katie R will organize.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (if needed)
None

PUBLIC COMMENT
No comments

ADJOURNMENT
No meeting on November 20, 2024
Motion to Adjourn requested by President Giles
Motion: Stingel
Second: Pawlak
Ayes: Agrella, Brown, Pawlak, Stingel, Young
Nays: none
Absent: none
Abstain: none
Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm

NEXT BOARD MEETING: November 13, 2024

Submitted by
Lesley Tennessen, Village Clerk _____