

Village of Holiday Hills Board Meeting Minutes for October 19, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Acting President Giles called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present: Acting President Jeff Giles, Trustees Terri Beaudoin, Lisa Maier, Cheryl Thompson, Rich Young

Board Members absent: Trustee Tammy Gillcrist

Staff Present: Clerk Lesley Tennessen, Police Chief Jeff Caldwell, Sgt William Copp, Building Inspector Erik Pratt

Also present: Village Attorney Brandy Quance, Tami Chesler

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Acting President Jeff Giles)

Sewer update

President Giles reported on Northern Moraine Water Reclamation District (NMWRD) outlining progress, current status and future work for the next couple of months. All work on Holiday is complete. Culvert work on Holiday will start soon. Restoration work on Holiday will begin next month and will not include grass and seeding work. The work on Sunset will probably not happen this season.

Water Main update

President Giles has been in constant contact with Prairie Path for all the water main breaks and low pressure issues. There was a planned shutdown on Sunset for a hydrant replacement. However, once work began, addition repairs were found to be needed. A boil order was issued by Prairie Path via email to affected residents. There was some loss of pressure. After some hours, Prairie Path rescinded the boil order via email and phone to those affected residents. In addition, President Giles addressed the school bus transportation issues. He has spoken with both school district and the supervisors at the bus company and they are going to do another review since the detours are not active and the opening between Vaupell and Holiday Hills is in place. He will know by Monday or Tuesday what actions will be taken.

Nunda Road District update

President Giles reported that Nunda has been all over the Village working at knocking back easement overgrowth. Sunset west of Holiday really has been opened up. There is a very large tree overhanging on Riverview that must be removed. Director Dzialo will be getting 3 quotes. The fence on Bittersweet separating Le Villa Vaupell and Village has been removed and paving work is progressing.

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Motion to accept the resignation of Village Treasurer Jen Haisma
President Giles read the resignation letter. President Giles asked for a motion to accept the resignation.

Motion: Young

Second: Thompson

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Gillcrist

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Motion to appoint Tami Chesler as Village Treasurer

President Giles asked for a motion to appoint Tami Chesler.

Motion: Thompson

Second: Young

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Gillcrist

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Oath of Office for Tami Chesler

Ms Chesler read her Oath of Office

Discuss promoting Sergeant William Copp to Commander with possible vote

President Giles spoke on Officer Copp's duties and how he has been doing much of the administrative work of the Police Department. President Giles also asked to have Sgt Copp receive a raise of \$2.00 per hour for the amount of hours and increased duties with the new position.

President Giles asked for a motion for promotion and raise in pay

Motion: Young

Second: Beaudoin

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Gillcrist

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Discuss trainee Christopher Tado being sent to Police Academy under Village sponsorship with possible vote

President Giles spoke on the value that volunteer Tado has brought to the position. He has volunteered, without pay, for over a year. He has done everything that a currently

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serving officer could do in line of duty, except that he is not permitted to drive. He is always working with another office. President Giles would like to have approval of the Academy sponsorship of approximately \$1700.00. This would be paid back when Mr Tado completes and passes the Academy. In return, Mr Tado would guarantee the Village one year of service. Chief Caldwell remarked that the Academy is 9 months of work part time on weekends.

President Giles asked for a motion for Christopher Tado sponsorship to Police Academy.

Motion: Young

Second: Beaudoin

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Gillcrist

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Clerk's Report (Lesley Tennessen)

Approve minutes for 9/21/2022 Board Meeting

Clerk Tennessen asked for a motion

Motion: Young

Second: Beaudoin

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Gillcrist

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Approve minutes for 10/06/2022 Special Board Meeting

Clerk Tennessen asked for a motion

Motion: Maier

Second: Beaudoin

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Gillcrist

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Treasurer's Report (vacant)

Approve financial report

Motion: Young

Second: Beaudoin

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

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Nays: none
Absent: Gillcrist
Abstain: none
Motion carried

Approve warrant

President Giles remarked that a check number on Warrant will be changed for the check written to Chief Caldwell. It will be changed from 7425 to 7426. Also, the check for HR Green will be held back pending review of the invoice by Director Dzialo and President Giles.

Motion: Maier

Second: Thompson

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Gillcrist

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Building Inspector's Report (Erik Pratt)

No report

Village Maintenance Report (Doreen Dzialo)

Director Dzialo spoke and explained that there is paperwork for \$50,000.00 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds. This is being negotiated with the Nunda Highway Commissioner. This will cover many maintenance costs, snow and ice control and pavement patching. To this end, a resolution for Maintenance under the Illinois Highway Code and the Estimate of Maintenance was prepared. This will be numbered 2022-374 for record keeping purposes. Director Dzialo will be taking this paperwork to the proper offices and filed with IDOT.

Motion: Young

Second: Maier

Ayes: Beaudoin, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Gillcrist

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Police Department Report (Chief Jeff Caldwell)

No report

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Standing Committees

Buildings and Grounds (Jeffrey Giles)

No report

Community Relations (Teresa Beaudoin)

Trustee Beaudoin asked about Halloween Trick or Treat hours. In discussion, the Trustees agreed that make the hours 4pm to 8pm. The hours will be posted on the Village FB page. Also, Trustee Beaudoin wanted to have a Kids Party at Village Hall. It was decided that the party would be Sunday, Oct 30 from 2pm to 5pm. Included would be some activities such as pumpkin painting, games and treats. There will also be treats on Halloween Evening at Village Hall.

Environmental (Lisa Maier)

No report

Finance (Cheryl Thompson)

No report

Planning and Development (Rich Young)

No report

Village Codes (Tammy Gillcrist)

Absent

No report

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Executive Session(if needed)

None

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Public Comment

President Giles and a resident agreed that the ComEd design for the substation power could be signed off. This is a revision of the ComEd design where the substation power lines and poles would be located on a resident property easement on Sunset with lines crossing over Sunset. There is just one question from the Brown's where the splice boxes were to be located. Ms Brown appreciated all the help and effort that the Village put in to resolve these design issues.

There were questions from a couple of residents on what is considered easement for tree cutting. The reply from President Giles is that is generally considered 30 feet from center of road.

A resident asked when the Audit would take place. President Giles replied that we are waiting for Attorney approval.

A resident did some investigation and brought up regulations on drone usage. Basically need a Commercial License, proper restrictions, FEMA, rules, etc. President Giles replied that drone will not be flown. Chief Caldwell also remarked that there will not be any surveillance or flying. There just is no need.

A resident wanted to know if the Residents of Holiday Hills page can be removed from Facebook as it creates drama. President Giles replied that this page is resident run and is not the official Village page and the Village has no control over what is allowed on that page.

A resident asked about culvert placements on Holiday and culvert cleanout on the big culvert just south of Holiday on Sunset. That is a project for Nunda and President Giles will talk to Nunda. The culvert placement is the responsibility of Northwest Moraine.

A resident wanted to know why they cannot just put dirt in to the wetland/swamp off Bittersweet. Trustee Maier said that stormwater and Corps of Engineers would not allow.

A resident asked when the new website would be available. President Giles said that we need to get the IT company to start design first.

A resident asked why there couldn't be a guest password for the voting day judges. They haven't been able to obtain one in past. No reason was given as to why the voting judges needed a password. Clerk Tennessen remarked that there is a hotspot that comes with voting machines from county.

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Adjournment

President Giles asked for a motion to adjourn

Motion: Maier

Second: Thompson

Ayes: Beaudoin, Gillcrist, Giles, Maier, Thompson, Young

Nays: none

Absent: none

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

Next Board Meeting: November 16, 2022

Submitted by Lesley Tennessen, Village Clerk _____