# Village of Princeville Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting February 7, 2022 7:00 PM

Per Ordinance 2021-06-02, and as the Village President has determined that in-person attendance may be imprudent or impractical due to the pandemic, remote access will be available for attendance of the below meeting. To attend remotely, go to zoom.us/join. Enter Meeting ID: 889 3135 9879 Enter Passcode: w3y3HP Or to attend the meeting by phone, dial, 312-626-6799, Enter Meeting ID: 889 3135 9879 Enter Passcode: 812952

### **Roll Call**

Roll call showed the following board members were physically present: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Pope, and Trustee Wineinger Trustees Present Via Zoom: President Troutman

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Other Village members physically present: Superintendent of Public Works, Chad Gardner;

Treasurer, Julie Delbridge; MCO Dan Sullivan; and Clerk, Sarah Cordis

Others Present: Travis Weaver

Others physically present: Deputy Gabriel Martinez

# **Public Comment Period**

None.

# Police Report.

Deputy Martinez did not have much to report. He recognized Superintendent Gardner and Village staff for a job well done moving snow. Deputy Martinez said that some of the piles were high, especially at intersections and around curves, which could be difficult for drivers to see on-coming traffic. Superintendent Gardner will look for piles that may be too high.

### **Travis Weaver to Address the Board**

Travis Weaver addressed the board. He is running for State Representative in the 93rd District, which ranges from Pekin to Geneseo, IL. He gave an introduction, discussed his job experience, and involvement throughout the community.

He highlighted some of the assets the area has, and is optimistic for improvements for the State of Illinois. He wants to make Illinois a better place.

#### Approve Minutes as Published.

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to approve the January 4th and 18th Village minutes and the January 20th Joint Meeting of the Boards, as published. Trustee Gilroy seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee

Pope, and Trustee Wineinger

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

# **Treasurer's Report**

Julie noted that the sewer tech fee is on the Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual YTD summary. Julie reminded Village members that if residents make comments/ask about their water bills, they should call the Village. Julie did sign up for the Clerk Books financial webinar class.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Trustee Gilroy seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee

Pope, and Trustee Wineinger

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

### **Paying of Bills**

Superintendent Gardner highlighted the GP Systems invoice on the unpaid bills list. This was for the venting of the pressure washer at the shop. The EB Buildings and Lumber Co. was for materials for the pool partitions and other regular/general supplies.

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$69,768.51. Trustee Hughes seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee

Pope, and Trustee Wineinger

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

### **Municipal Code Officers Report.**

Two properties have gone to court. One property has made mass improvements. President Troutman and MCO Sullivan have granted one property until April 1st to remove tree debris because of recent weather. The other property that went to court still needs cleaned up. They return to court February 10. If not complied with by that date, the Village will ask for fines.

Superintendent Gardner explained that Judge Cordis was now presiding over the ordinance violation courtroom at the courthouse. Due to Judge Cordis's wife, Sarah Cordis, being the Village Clerk, property owners will be asked to sign waivers indicating they waive his conflict of interest. If the property owners do not waive, a different judge would be assigned to that particular case.

MCO Sullivan has had a number of hard surface violations lately. Trustee Peterson asked if there was any new information regarding the Alcoa Property. MCO Sullivan said they are waiting on one final judgment to be released from the property. President Troutman said if there is still a judgment in the Spring/Summer, he would at least like for them to start doing some maintenance work.

# **Any Action Regarding MCO Report**

None.

# Consider and Vote to Approve Contract with Nextlink, Tabled from January 18, 2022 Board Meeting.

Trustee Gilroy made a motion to approve the contract with Nextlink, tabled from the January 18, 2022 board meeting. Trustee Pope seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee

Pope, and Trustee Wineinger

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

# Consider and Vote to Approve Sprinkler System Waiver Letter for German-Bliss Equipment, in Regards to New Construction Project

Morton Buildings Inc., who is constructing the commercial building for German-Bliss Equipment Inc., indicates that German-Bliss Equipment Inc. will need to have a sprinkler system installed for fire suppression and/or other types of barriers. Morton Buildings will not require German-Bliss to comply with its policy, though, if the Village of Princeville provides them with a letter stating the Village approves of this request.

Trustee Gilroy made a motion that the Village not approve/grant German-Bliss Equipment, Inc. or Morton Buildings Inc. with a sprinkle waiver letter. Trustee Pope seconded the motion.

Obstain: Trustee Delbridge (son works for German-Bliss Equipment Inc.)

Yeas: Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Pope, and Trustee

Wineinger Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

### **Committee Reports**

Trustee Peterson reported that the Property Committee had met. Greg Smith and Steve Potter attended the meeting, as they are looking for a location to have a 40 ft x 60 ft building to be used for a business. Trustees recommended some properties around town that might work for them. Smith and Potter will review their options and look at options of TIF funding. They will get back to the Village.

President Troutman said he had talked to Steve Kline. There is current legislation pending regarding revamping TIF programs. President Troutman suggested that it might be worth working on this now, rather than waiting. President Troutman is going to reach out to Kline again and will report back.

# **Any Action Regarding Committee Reports**

None.

#### **Past Due Water Bill Review**

The past due water bill was reviewed.

### **Building Permits.**

None.

# Report from the Superintendent of Public Works.

- Kevin Cooper, the engineer, is close to finalizing data for EPA sewer study
- Sewer Tech Fee for those residents who are on septic, why are they paying the fee? They are hooked up to our water but not hooked up to the sewer so they should not be charged the sewer tech fee (about 30 or 40 residents).
  - President Troutman asked that this topic be put on the next Village agenda.
- There is a street light out in-front of the grade school. Ameren will be called.

# Any Other Business to be Brought Before the Board.

Trustee Gilroy commented that her mailbox was hit by a snowplow and it is off its hinges.

# Adjourn

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 PM. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee

Pope, and Trustee Wineinger

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Cordis, Village of Princeville Clerk