

**Village of Princeville**  
**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting**  
**April 5, 2021 7:00 PM**

Due to the Governor’s Executive Order regarding COVID-19 and the relaxing of the Open Meeting Act requirements, this meeting will be held at Princeville Village Hall and will also include a Zoom Meeting option. The public is invited to attend in person, as the number of individuals in the board room allows, or they can attend via Zoom.

To join in the meeting, follow this link, [zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join), when prompted enter the Meeting ID: 971 3094 6548 Passcode: 712W66 then click *ask to join*.

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Prior to the meeting, Public Comments can be emailed to [villagehall@princeville.org](mailto:villagehall@princeville.org) and insert in the Subject line of the email, “Public Comment for Meeting April 5, 2021”.

**Roll Call**

Roll call showed the board members were physically present: President Troutman, Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson

Trustees present via Zoom: Trustee Delbridge (only joined for a few moments due to Village technical difficulties.)

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Other Village members physically present: Julie Delbridge, Superintendent of Public Works, Chad Gardner, MCO Dan Sullivan

Others present through Zoom: Paula Feucht

Others present: Deputy Gabriel Martinez, Clerk, Sarah Cordis, Rick Pope

**Police Report**

Nothing pressing right now. Any concerns, let Deputy Martinez know.

**Approve Minutes as Published**

Trustee Gilroy made a motion to approve the March 1 and 16 minutes as published. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

**Paying of Bills**

Superintendent Gardner highlighted a few of the purchases. The King Equipment purchase was parts for the street sweeper as it had a major breakdown. The Universal purchase was for replacing solvent and liquid enzymes that the Village had prior to the oil spill and for annual weed killer.

Trustee Wilson made a motion to approve the paying of bills in the amount of \$24,442.71. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

## **Rachel Bowermaster to Address Board Regarding Princeville High School After-Prom Donation**

Rachel gave a description of the Princeville High School After Prom and activities.

Trustee Gilroy made a motion to donate \$600.00 to the After-Prom Committee. Second by Wilson.

Yeas: Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

## **Municipal Code Officer Report**

MCO Sullivan reviewed the April report. He asked Julie to remind residents not to park vehicles on grass but rather hard surfaces.

Trustee Peterson addressed an RV on South Walnut Street that is parked on grass/gravel rather than hard pavement. MCO Sullivan will take a look at it.

Trustee Wilson asked about school district vehicle parked on street/grass. Not sure if it has moved but it should be parked on a hard-surface.

MCO Sullivan met with the family of the Alcoa property. He shared a potential/tentative proposed demolition plan. The family estimated that it would be half a million dollars to demolish the proposed areas of the property.

There is currently a judgment on the property and the owners are trying to get that released. Nothing can be done until the judgment is released. After that gets released the family would retain ownership and would like to work with the Village to brainstorm uses for that space. (How can the two, Village of Princeville and the family, work together to bring new developments to the property?) The family is asking for financial assistance.

In the meantime, MCO Sullivan reached out to Win Stoller's office to see if they can assist in some way. MCO Sullivan did mention the potential of a federal grant, but it would take a lot of work and there are a lot of steps before getting there.

Paula Feucht asked the Village Trustees to think about what could go there.

President Troutman stated the Village will work with the family as best it can. He stated that no idea was too big or too small.

Trustee Wilson asked if MCO Sullivan had reached out to the State of Illinois. MCO Sullivan stated that Representative Win Stoller's office will look into that, as he has a little more power/access/resources.

Trustee Gilroy asked if there were any issues/concerns with chemical/potentially hazardous products at the facility. President Troutman said tanks were clean and all was ok.

President Troutman suggested the MCO Sullivan contact Representative Ryan Spain's office as well. They have always been helpful and generous to the Village. MCO Sullivan will contact his office.

## **Any Action Regarding MCO Report**

Trustees to brainstorm development ideas for the Alcoa property.

## **Committee Reports**

Trustee Wilson stated the codification meeting took place. They reviewed the fencing ordinance/code. The committee is recommending to remove setback of 1 foot. This should be reviewed by the Zoning Committee.

The recommendation is in Ordinance 17.52, Under Letter 'F', Removing #5.

Trustee Wilson made a motion to remove having an agreement (legal document) between the residents, and adding a 1 foot setback. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

Yeas: Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

Trustee Ehnle stated that the Property Committee reviewed the contract with Adam Merrick realtor. The committee recommended to continue with Adam Merrick, and review the contract every three (3) months. The committee discussed ways to potentially attract residents/homes out there. One suggestion was to replace the fence at the sewer plant and add in a tree line. When the new plats are drawn for the next phase, consider a marketing strategy for purchase.

Superintendent Gardner will set up a time for Kevin Cooper to look at the next phase of development. (Look at engineering and design cost – water, infrastructure, pavement/concrete.) Superintendent Gardner thought that he could budget for some of it within the next fiscal year.

Superintendent Gardner will have Steve Janssen look at prices for evergreen trees for a potential tree line.

President Troutman said that Finance Committee met. They discussed RV parking. They suggested that RVs could park on owner's property for two (2) two-week periods within a calendar year. The ordinance currently says one week. After an RV does not move for two weeks, the owner would need to apply for a permit. Each permit will be \$25.00 and be valid for 14 days. The receipt would serve as the permit. (Not to be renewed more than once.)

Trustee Wilson made a motion to change the language within the ordinance to change the term limit not to exceed two (2) two-week periods within one calendar year. Second by Trustee Gilroy.

Yeas: Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

#### **Any Action Regarding Committee Reports**

None.

#### **Consider and Vote to Approve Village Employee Salary Increases Beginning May 1, 2021.**

President Troutman reviewed the proposed 2.5% pay increase for Village employees, effective May 1, 2021. An increase for part-time help has not been done in 3-5 years. Went up \$1.00 per hour, for a proposed increase to \$13.00 per hour. For the Aquatic Center lifeguards the proposed increase is \$11.00 per hour.

Trustee Wilson is doing some research on what other Village/municipality employees earn in salaries and what appropriate job titles are.

Trustee Wilson made a motion to approve 2.5% increase and part-time hourly rates, starting May 1, 2021 and ending April 30, 2022. Trustee Gilroy seconded the motion.

*Proposed part-time and seasonal rates, effective May 1<sup>st</sup>.*

Part-time Village employees \$12.00 per hour. This will increase to \$13.00 per hour. Princeville Aquatic Center Manager \$14.25 per hour. This will increase to \$14.50 per hour.

Princeville Aquatic Center Assistant Manager \$9.75 per hour. This will increase to \$11.75 per hour.

Princeville Aquatic Lifeguards \$8.50 per hour. This will increase to \$11.00 per hour.

Yeas: Trustee Ehnle, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

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

President Troutman reviewed the past due water bill list. Shut-offs on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **Building Permits**

None

### **Report from the Superintendent of Public Works**

- Will be flushing hydrants April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Spray parks for crabgrass control
- Filling cracks on the roads.
- Water operator renewal.
- Personnel policy waiting on two signature pages and will have all employees' sign-off.
- Has pricing for sidewalk repairs

Trustee Gilroy mentioned having charging stations for electric cars in downtown areas.

### **Any Other Business to Be Brought Before the Board**

Trustee Wilson thanked Brian and Chad for the water treatment plant tour.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Swearing in of new board.

### **Adjourn**

Trustee Wilson made a motion to adjourn at 8:40 PM. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

All those in Favor, Aye.

Opposed, None.

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Cordis, Village of Princeville Clerk