

Village of Princeville
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
May 3, 2021 7:00 PM

Due to the Governor's Executive Order regarding COVID-19 and the relaxing of the Open Meetings 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 attend via Zoom.

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Roll Call

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

A quorum was present for the meeting.

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

Others present through Zoom: None.

Others present: Deputy Gabriel Martinez, Clerk Sarah Cordis, Corner Jamie Hardwood, Beth Duttlinger, Susan Hofer, Rick Pope

Police Report

Deputy Martinez reported that catalytic converters are still being stolen out of vehicles.

Approve Minutes as Published

Trustee Gilroy made a motion to approve the April 5th and April 20th meeting minutes. Trustee Delbridge seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

Paying of Bills

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to approve the paying of bills, in the amount of \$13,872.90. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

Municipal Code of Officers Report

MCO Sullivan reviewed his report.

He gave an update on the Alcoa property. They had three judgements on the property. The other two need to be removed before anything can be done. MCO Sullivan would like to get into the building prior to the Village taking any ownership. The Village cannot currently get inside the building. Trustee Delbridge reported that he saw the owner hauling scrap and material into the facility and is concerned about the mess that may be inside. The current owner does not want the property demolished. The other players (Village and Economic Development Council) want the property demolished and look forward to bringing in new economic opportunities. MCO Sullivan reminded everyone that this could be a lengthy process.

MCO will mention to the owner's son that the Village is aware that materials are being stored in the property, and the Village would like for that to stop.

Any Action Regarding MCO Report

None.

Princeville Civic Association to Address the Board to Request Donation for Heritage Days

Beth Duttlinger, with the Princeville Civic Association (PCA), stated that Princeville's Heritage Days are scheduled for June 24,25,26 and 27. A variety of activities are scheduled – carnival, performance by the Central IL Banjo Club, Lillie M. Evans art show, Princeville St Jude Run/Walk, the Lions Club food tent, etc. There will not be a beer tent this year.

She estimated that the cost of Heritage Days will be around \$6,600. She reviewed the PCA's budget and stated there is a gap between their cash on hand and the estimated cost of Heritage Days.

President Troutman reminded PCA that with no beer tent, the cost of porta-potties could be reduced.

Susan Hofer, with the PCA, stated that in past years the PCA had asked the Village for \$3,000. PCA had tried to be self-sufficient over the past couple of years, but now are in a financial position that they are unable to do that. Susan asked the Village for a \$3,000 donation to PCA to assist with covering the cost of 2021 Heritage Days.

Trustee Wilson asked what the donation budget was for the fiscal year. The Village budget is \$5,000 for annual donations. Other organizations – e.g. little league, St. Jude, After Prom, etc., will come in later in the year to ask for donations.

President Troutman said the budget just started and will not be approved until the mid-May meeting. He will ask Tom Pfeffer to increase that line item for the 2021-2022 budget year.

Trustee Wilson agreed to increasing that line item. The anticipated COVID money/grant could go towards Heritage Days, as the grant is for the purpose of entertainment. Heritage Days is the community foundation/annual celebration for Princeville, and is important to continue having.

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to donate \$3,000.00 to the Princeville Civic Association to assist with Heritage Days expenses. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

Any Other Business to be Brought Before the Board.

Beth Duttlinger informed everyone that the Lillie M. Evans library would be hosting a community meeting at the library on Tuesday, May 4 at 7:00 PM. The library received a \$3,000.00 grant and would like community input on how to best utilize the funds.

President Troutman thanked Trustee Ehnle for serving on the board and wished him the best!

Adjourn

Trustee Delbridge made a motion to adjourn at 7:24 PM. Trustee Gilroy seconded the motion.

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

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

May 3 – Swearing-In of New Trustees and Call Meeting to Order

Peoria County Corner, Jamie Harwood, to Swear in Village President, Village Clerk & and the Following Trustees: Teresa Gilroy, Spencer A. Wilson & Ricky Dean Pope.

Corner Harwood swore in President Troutman, Village Clerk Cordis and Trustee Wilson, Trustee Pope, and Trustee Gilroy.

Corner Harwood talked about COVID and is very much looking forward to getting back to ‘normal’.

He urged Village personnel to continue to utilize their resources/ideas/knowledge and stay involved. Congratulations to the newly sworn in Trustees.

Call Meeting of New Board to Order.

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

A quorum was present for the meeting.

Other Village members physically present: Julie Delbridge, Superintendent of Public Works Chad Gardner, Joseph Sarnes

Others present: Deputy Gabriel Martinez, Clerk Sarah Cordis, Andrew Ehnle

Consider and Vote to Approve the Ordinance Updating and Clarifying the Zoning Code Provisions for Approving Fencing in Residential Districts.

President Troutman – When striking an item from the ordinance, the recommendation would need to go to the zoning committee prior to the Village taking action on the ordinance. The Zoning committee met and would like for adjacent property owners to be sent written notification of when neighbors file for a fence variance. This would be a maximum of three people, two neighbors to the side yard and one to the backyard. The letter would come from the Village. The homeowner would not have to do anything with the letter.

President Troutman stated that Joseph Sarnes knows when there is a zoning language change. He has the most up-to-date information.

Joseph Sarnes is concerned about the 1ft clearance because a mower or a weed-whacker will most likely not fit between fences.

Trustee Wilson asked what the tenant would do if there is an established fence from one of their neighbors, and that fence is on the line-shared line. (Fence link vs. privacy fence.)

Trustee Delbridge wanted to make sure it was acceptable to connect to that neighbor's fence. The answer is, Yes.

President Troutman stated that with the revised fence ordinance, there would be a potential maximum hold-up of three weeks. (The request would need to go to the Village for a permit and then go to the zoning board.)

Trustee Deldbridge made a motion to the Ordinance Updating and Clarifying the Zoning Code Provisions for Approving Fencing in Residential Districts, adding that a notification letter be sent to the neighbors about the requested variance. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

Yeas – Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson, Trustee Pope

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

President Troutman will ask Dan Huss, with the zoning committee, to reach out to Andrew Ehnle about his permit. Julie Delbridge will send notification letters to Andrew's neighbors.

Committee Reports

President Troutman stated that there was a hearing prior to the Board Meeting regarding the TIF district finances. He noted that the developer of the Brockway Hills subdivision signed the release. The Village will no longer make payments to the developer.

Any Action Regarding Committee Reports.

None.

Past Due Water Bill Review.

The past due water list was reviewed.

The Riparian Club

President Troutman reviewed Discover Peoria - The Riparian Club. (This was the Peoria Area Convention and Visitors Bureau.) They would like to assist in advertising Princeville. The cost to Princeville would be \$7,000 a year for years one and two (2021 and 2022). After that, 2024-2027, the cost would be \$8,500. (President Troutman thought there might be some room to negotiate pricing.) The marketing value is determined to be - \$175,000.00 - \$210,000.00 per year.

President Troutman asked the Trustees to review the handout and feel free to contact/give their opinions to him prior to the next meeting. He has sat through the presentation.

Superintendent Gardner said that years ago the Village did pay a local person to do the marketing/promotion of events for the Village. After that, the museum and PAC assisted with some of the marketing. Currently, there are no Village funds being spent on marketing/promotion/regional planning.

President Troutman thought they had a good presentation and commented that the Village may have to spend some money to make some money. At the current fee structure, and if the Village were to use

The Riparian Club, over five (5) years, would cost about \$20.00 a day. Trustee Delbridge suggested reaching out to a few other taxing entities in town to possibly assist with the cost.

President Troutman would like to vote on this at the next meeting. The sooner the Village moves forward, if that is what they choose to do, the more likely The Riparian Club is to advertise summer activities.

Building Permits.

- 108 West Shawn– putting up 6ft privacy fence in rear yard
- 319 South Tremont – tearing down an existing front porch and adding a deck back on
- 417 North Santa Fe – construct black fence in backyard.

A fence variance was turned in for Andrew Ehnle for the zoning meeting.

Report from the Superintendent of Public Works.

- Got all hydrants flushed.
 - Has a list of hydrants that need repair.
- Joey started at the pool last week.
- Water Tower inspections are scheduled. (Inspections are required every four (4) years.)
 - Done by robotics now.
- Woertz bridge inspection done.
 - Needs some work for erosion.
 - Ordaz Construction, in Wyoming, does the erosion control
- Well #4 will be pulled within the next three (3) weeks.
- Speed humps cost about \$2,100.00 for the kit. Gardner will order a kit within the next week.
- Truck – purchased the Chevy Silverado work truck.
 - Old Village truck – can advertise it for excess property for sealed bid.
 - Open bids at first meeting in June.
- Hohenberry property on South Street – He asked when the Village was going to re-seed where the tree was cut down. The Village will re-seed but will charge him for it.
- The Village accepted a bid for a lot in Aten Acres. Closing is set for June 4th.
 - Three lots remain. The Village should think about how they want the next phase to look. Gardner will schedule a meeting with the engineer.

Any Other Business to be Brought Before the Board.

President Troutman reviewed the new Committee lists.

Starting May 1st, the Miller, Hall & Triggs rates will increase.

Miller Hall & Triggs will host a virtual Elected and Appointed Officials Municipal Law Seminar, May 15th from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Julie will have it broadcast on the TV at Village Hall for those who would like to attend.

President Troutman welcomed Trustee Pope.

Adjourn

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

Yeas – Trustee Delbridge, Trustee Hughes, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Gilroy, Trustee Wilson, Trustee Pope

Nays: None

President Troutman declared the motion as passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sarah Cordis, Village of Princeville Clerk