

VILLAGE OF TOLONO, ILLINOIS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

July 6, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were President Murphy, Trustee Buffo, Trustee Jack Haluzak, Trustee Robbins, Trustee Hayden, and Trustee Terrance Stuber. Absent was Clerk Dalton and Trustee Perry. Minutes were taken by Attorney Miller.

President Murphy led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Stuber led those present in a voluntary invocation.

President Murphy then opened the floor to public comment. Mara Craft-Stiebner introduced herself as a resident and asked about the increases in water and sewer rates. President Murphy explained about needing repairs and upgrades and their relation to costs of the system.

Linda Henning expressed concern about water/sewer increases for senior citizens. People with specific concerns are encouraged to talk to the Village office.

There was discussion about the most recent water/sewer rate ordinance.

Engineer Larry Johnson from Fehr-Graham reviewed ongoing Village engineering projects.

Documents are being prepared in time for year end in order to be ready for bidding in the spring of 2022.

There was discussion about the quality of Village water and reporting requirements.

Superintendent Scott Arbuckle gave an update on public works projects going on in the Village.

The consent agenda was read by the President. There was a motion by Trustee Robbins to approve the consent agenda as follows: A. Motion to approve minutes of the June 15, 2021 Regular Session Board Meeting, including the Public Hearing portion minutes; B. Motion to approve bills/warrants as presented; C. Motion to approve 2021-0625 Payroll; D. Motion to approve water/sewer usage/billed report. There was a second by Trustee Jack Haluzak. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Buffo-Aye, Trustee Jack Haluzak-Aye, Trustee Hayden-Aye, Trustee Robbins-Aye, and Trustee Stuber-Aye. The motion carried.

There was a discussion about an application for TIF funds by Tom Swigart of Monical's Pizza at 102 W. Vine Street. There was discussion by the Board of a need to set TIF criteria. There was consensus to continue discussion at a future meeting.

Trustee Buffo gave an update for Village Hall hours and Junior Trustees.

Trustee Robbins made the following motion: Motion to authorize the Village President to pay engineering work performed by Donahue & Associates relating to mapping not to exceed \$11,000.00 and to defer payment of remaining bills pending further review. There was a second by Trustee Jack Haluzak. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Buffo-Aye, Trustee Jack Haluzak-Aye, Trustee Hayden-Aye, Trustee Robbins-Aye, and Trustee Stuber-Aye. The motion carried.

Trustee Stuber made the motion to approve Ordinance 2021-O-11 relating to changes to the Employee Policy Manual as presented with the second by Trustee Buffo. The motion carried.

Sean Talbott introduced himself as a candidate for the Planning & Zoning Board. President Murphy made his appointment. There was a motion by Trustee Stuber to approve with a second by Trustee Jack Haluzak. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Trustee Buffo to approve hiring Phillip Kleiss to grind stumps for \$975.00 with a second by Trustee Stuber. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Buffo-Aye, Trustee Jack Haluzak-Aye, Trustee Hayden-Aye, Trustee Robbins-Aye, and Trustee Stuber-Aye. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Trustee Hayden to approve the IDOT Intergovernmental Agreement as presented for traffic lights and authorize Village Officers to execute it. There was a second by Trustee Buffo. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Buffo-Aye, Trustee Jack Haluzak-Aye, Trustee Hayden-Aye, Trustee Robbins-Aye, and Trustee Stuber-Aye. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Trustee Buffo to approve work by Jeff Blue at the County as presented for engineering work with a second by Trustee Hayden. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Buffo-Aye, Trustee Jack Haluzak-Aye, Trustee Hayden-Aye, Trustee Robbins-Aye, and Trustee Stuber-Aye. The motion carried.

There was discussion about compensation for part-time employees, particularly those who are in the high school program.

Trustee Buffo motioned that the existing seasonal employee who had returned for a second year gets a raise of \$1.00 per hour commencing July 7, 2021. There was a second by Trustee Jack Haluzak. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Buffo-Aye, Trustee Jack Haluzak-Aye, Trustee Hayden-Aye, Trustee Robbins-Aye, and Trustee Stuber-Aye. The motion carried.

There was discussion about various Village nuisances.

Trustee Hayden motioned to adjourn with a second by Trustee _____. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Buffo-Aye, Trustee Jack Haluzak-Aye, Trustee Hayden-Aye, Trustee Robbins-Aye, and Trustee Stuber-Aye. The motion carried.

The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at _____ p.m.