# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE DWIGHT VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Held via Teleconference Number: 351-999-3046 March 8, 2021 at 6:30PM

In the absence of the President. President Pro-tem Eggenberger called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

PRESENT: Marla Kinkade, Trustee; Jenny Johnson, Trustee; Jerry Curtis, Trustee; Randy Irvin, Trustee; Justin Eggenberger, Trustee

ABSENT: Jared Anderson, Village President; Chuck Butterbrodt, Trustee

Others in Attendance: Jill Haacke, Village Clerk; Irv Masching, Village Attorney; Austin Haacke, Finance Director; Kevin McNamara, Village Administrator; Jenny Allsworth, EMS Director; Cory Scoles, Public Works; Tim Henson, Police Chief, Jane Anderson, DEA; Midge Fogarty, The Paper; Meghan Horstead, WCSJ

According to Section 6 of the Executive Order specifically suspends, for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, the Open Meeting Act requirement that public officials be physically present at public meeting.

The Village Board Minutes February 22, 2021 were presented for approval. Trustee Kinkade made a motion with a second from Trustee Johnson to approve the minutes as submitted. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

### FINANCIAL REPORTS

Payment of the March 8, 2021 bills in the amount of \$71,159.90 were presented for payment from the various funds. Trustee Irvin made a motion, with a second from Trustee Johnson to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

The January 2021 Treasurer's Report was prepared by Treasurer Diane Jensen and presented to the board. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Irvin to approve the January 2021 Treasurers report as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

Trustee Eggenberger made a motion with a second from Trustee Curtis to approve the fund transfer of \$48,107.35 from Sewer Fund (52) to the Sewer Reserve Fund (33) for the purpose of paying principal and interest on IEPA Loan L17-2627. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

# VILLAGE REPORTS

Kevin McNamara reminded everyone that yard waste bag and branch pick-up will begin April 1<sup>st</sup>. Golf cart stickers expire April 1<sup>st</sup> and the Dwight Police Department has sent out reminders to everyone who had stickers last year to get them updated. There are two individuals in the EMS department who are out due to COVID. The Village is down one ambulance because of a broken fastener on the cot and the part will take about a week to come in. Effective April 1<sup>st</sup>, Rhonda Irvin Branz will be the new owner of Dwight Pizza.

Jenny Allsworth reported that she has touched base with Coleman & Sons about getting an estimate to get the older ambulance up and running to use when one of our two regulars are down. She also noted that EMS, Police and Fire have been working well together on calls.

Tim Henson thanked everyone who helped search for the missing woman last week. He also reported that they will begin to check alleys and yards for nuisance violations now that the weather is getting nicer.

Jane Anderson from the Dwight Economic Alliance reported they will start keeping a list on commercial properties for rent for those interested in starting a business in town. This Easter the DEA will organize a golf cart parade to take place on April 4<sup>th</sup>. There will also be eggs being handed out at the businesses downtown to get individuals into the stores to shop.

### VILLAGE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Administration and Finance Committee met on February 22, 2021 via teleconference. Those present were Trustees Kinkade, Irvin, Curtis, Eggenberger and Johnson. Also present was President Anderson, McNamara, A. Haacke, Allsworth, Henson, Scoles, Beier and Paul Johnson.

McNamara began the meeting at 5:30PM and continued review of the proposed FY 21/22 Budget. He noted he and Austin Haacke had implemented the changes discussed at the previous budget meeting. The budget remains a balanced document in all funds.

McNamara had presented the Board with a detailed listing of the Capital outlay funds in the General Fund and Capital outlay and Repair and Maintenance items in the Water and Sewer Funds.

Refinancing of two of the current Bonds and refinancing the water bond to receive an additional \$1 million dollars to install 'smart meters' in the water department was reviewed. The refinancing of the bonds will save the Village money. Scoles mentioned that installing in smart water meters is a wise decision.

Chief Henson praised Officer Butts for his actions in helping to find an accident victim west of town Saturday Moring in 4-degree weather.

The Committee agreed unless something unexpected comes up they see no reason for an additional budget meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Johnson seconded by Trustee Kinkade. All voted aye by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:15PM.

### **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS**

Eggenberger presented the annual Keeley Trust Resolution for approval. This trust was established for the Village in 1912 by Mrs. Keeley and the Village receives the interest proceeds if at least \$25,000 is spent on streets and alleys in a calendar year. Trustee Irvin made a motion with a second from Trustee Kinkade

to approve the Keely Trust Resolution Number 2021-03 as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

# RESOLUTION #2021-03 IS ON FILE AT THE CLERKS OFFICE

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Irvin inquired on the fences that have not been put in around the pools that were installed last summer.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The meeting adjourned at 6:56PM.

Jill V. Haacke, Village Clerk

Trustee Eggenberger made a motion with a second from Trustee Curtis to accept the resignation of Gene Mortenson from the Plan Commission as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

Trustee Curtis made a motion with a second from Trustee Eggenberger to appoint Marcia Bennett to fill the remainder of Mr. Mortenson's term on the Plan Commission. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

Trustee Curtis made a motion with a second from Trustee Kinkade to approve the reappointment of Ryan Van Der Karr to the Plan Commission. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

Finding no further business, President Anderson asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Irvin with a second by Trustee Eggenberger. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 5-0.

	APPROVED:
ATTEST:	Justin Eggenberger, Village President Pro-Tem