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

# Held in the Public Services Complex 209 South Prairie Avenue, Dwight Illinois December 11, 2023 at 6:30PM

Pro-Tem President Irvin called the meeting to order at 6:30PM and asked for a roll call.

# PRESENT: Marla Kinkade, Trustee; Jenny Johnson, Trustee; Brian Berta, Trustee; Pete Meister, Trustee and Randy Irvin, Trustee

#### ABSENT: Paul Johnson, Village President and Justin Eggenberger, Trustee

# OTHER Village Officials in Attendance: Crissy Livingston, Village Administrator; Cory Scoles, Public Works Director; EMS Chief Callahan and Whitney Scott, Village Clerk

The Village Board Minutes from November 27, 2023 were presented for approval. Trustee Johnson made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to approve the minutes as submitted. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 4-0.

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS

Payment of the December 11, 2023 bills in the amount of \$81,407.31 were presented for payment from the various funds. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to pay the bills as submitted. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 4-0.

The October 2023 Treasurer's Report was struck from the meeting agenda.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

None

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Pro-Tem President Irvin expressed his thanks to the Fire, EMS, Police and Public Works departments for working diligently after the fire at the Public Works building this past weekend.

#### VILLAGE REPORTS

Village Administrator Livingston shared the following statement on behalf of herself and Mayor Paul Johnson.

In the early hours of Saturday morning, one of our Public Works buildings caught fire. This building was a second home to present and past employees, and although it is a devastating loss, we are incredibly grateful that no one was injured. Buildings and contents can and will be replaced, but people can not.

A big thank you to the Dwight Fire Department, Dwight EMS, Dwight PD, Gardner, Odell, Pontiac, Braceville, Braidwood Chief, Mazon, Herscher, Wilmington Chief and ESDA, Salina (Bonfield), Essex, Coal City, Seneca EMS, Saunemin, Elwood, Troy (Shorewood), Morris, Verona-Kinsman, Cullom, Fairbury, Emington/Campus, South Wilmington Chief, Reddick, Reading, Allen Township, Cornell, Grundy EMA, Division 15 Rehab, Division 15 Investigators, State Fire Marshall, and Livingston County.

*Our Public Works department helps keep this Village running and will continue to do so regardless of the setback it received this weekend. The outpouring of support the Village has received in this time of misfortune resonates with how proud we are to be part of such an amazing community. We want to thank everyone who has offered to lend us a hand, a piece of equipment, and anything else we need. As our Public Works vehicles state, "A Great Past – A Greater Future". Sincerely, Paul Johnson, Mayor and Crissy Livingston, Village Administrator* 

Public Works Director Scoles expressed his thanks to the Fire and Police Departments, as well as the Public Works crew for their assistance and patience, stating that they'd get through this.

Livingston, on behalf of Chief Nolan, also provided the following Police updates: The officer that was injured on duty December 3<sup>rd</sup> was treated and has returned to duty, and the offender was arrested that same night, with a court appearance scheduled in January. The two new candidates, Vargas and Henson, passed their entrance test. Officer Sheldon submitted his resignation effective December 31<sup>st</sup> stating that he was thankful for his time with the Village. Officer Santiago will move to the open day shift.

EMS Chief Callahan had to step out for an emergency call; Livingston advised that she did not have his updates but stated that they continue working with adjusters and contractors on the necessary repairs to the EMS quarters from the recent flood.

Livingston advised that the Village Complex will be closed December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup> in observance of the Holidays.

#### **ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS**

**ORD 1511 Tax Levy Ordinance, for the Fiscal Year Commencing April 1, 2023 and Ending March 31, 2024** in the amount of \$1,023,500.00 was presented for approval. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Berta, to approve the Ordinance as proposed. Roll call. Johnson (aye), Kinkade (aye), Meister (aye), Berta (aye), Eggenberger (absent). Motion carries, 4-0.

#### A COPY OF ORDINANCE 1511 IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE CLERK

**ORD 1512** Abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2023 to pay the principal of and interest on \$1,995,000 General Obligation Waterworks Bonds (Waterworks System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021A, was presented for review. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to approve the Ordinance as proposed. Roll call. Johnson (aye), Kinkade (aye), Meister (aye), Berta (aye), Eggenberger (absent). Motion carries, 4-0.

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**ORD 1513** Abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2023 to pay the principal of and interest on \$1,970,000 General Obligation Bonds (Tax Increment Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016B was presented for review. Trustee Meister made a motion, with a second from Trustee Johnson, to approve the Ordinance as proposed. Roll call. Johnson (aye), Kinkade (aye), Meister (aye), Berta (aye), Eggenberger (absent). Motion carries, 4-0.

#### A COPY OF ORDINANCE 1513 IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE CLERK

**ORD 1514** Abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2023 to pay the principal of and interest on \$495,000 General Obligation Tax Increment Bond (Tax Increment Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021B was presented for review. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Berta, to approve the Ordinance as proposed. Roll call. Johnson (aye), Kinkade (aye), Meister (aye), Berta (aye), Eggenberger (absent). Motion carries, 4-0.

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**ORD 1515** Abating the tax heretofore levied for the year 2023 to pay the principal of and interest on \$3,840,000 General Obligation Sales Tax Bonds (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021C was presented for review. Trustee Johnson made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to approve the Ordinance as proposed. Roll call. Johnson (aye), Kinkade (aye), Meister (aye), Berta (aye), Eggenberger (absent). Motion carries, 4-0.

#### A COPY OF ORDINANCE 1515 IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE CLERK

**ORD 1516** Authorizing Execution of the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network Agreement (IPWMAN) was presented for review. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Berta, to approve the Ordinance as proposed. Roll call. Johnson (aye), Kinkade (aye), Meister (aye), Berta (aye), Eggenberger (absent). Motion carries, 4-0.

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## **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Ordinance Committee, Monday December 11, 2023 at 6:20pm PRESENT: Trustees Kinkade, Berta, Johnson, Meister and Irvin Others in Attendance: Public Works Director Scoles, Sewer Operator Tutterow, Village Administrator Livingston, and Village Clerk Scott

Irvin called the meeting to order at 6:20pm.

The meeting was called to review a proposed Ordinance adding the Rights-of-Way clause to the Municipal Code. Johnson made a motion, with a second from Kinkade, to recommend the Board approve the Ordinance as submitted.

**ORD 1506** Amending the Municipal Code of the Village of Dwight by the Addition of Standards for the Construction of Facilities on the Rights-of-Way was presented for review. The amendment will include an application fee of \$100.00 in addition to \$0.25 fee per linear foot. Trustee Johnson made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to approve the amendment as proposed. Roll call. Johnson (aye), Kinkade (aye), Meister (aye), Berta (aye), Eggenberger (absent). Motion carries, 4-0.

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With no further new business to discuss, Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Johnson, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 6:25PM.

## OLD BUSINESS

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The proposed 2024 Regular Village Board of Trustees Meeting dates were reviewed and discussed. Meetings will remain on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 6:30pm, with the following exceptions: the May 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting will be cancelled due to the Memorial Day Holiday and the November 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting will be postponed until Tuesday November 12<sup>th</sup> due to Veteran's Day Observance. Public Notice of the 2024 Meeting Dates will be posted. Trustee Johnson made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to approve the 2024 Meeting Dates. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 4-0.

The proposed 2024 Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting dates were reviewed and discussed. Meetings will remain on the third Tuesdays of each month, at 6:00PM and 6:30PM respectively. Public Notice of the 2024 Meeting Dates will be posted. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to approve the 2024 Meeting Dates. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 4-0.

Livingston presented the ClearGov Service Agreement for review. Trustee Meister made a motion, with a second from Trustee Kinkade, to proceed with the agreement. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 4-0.

Livingston also presented the Illinois Municipal Insurance Cooperative (IMIC) Renewal Pricing Sheet. Trustee Kinkade made a motion, with a second from Trustee Meister, to approve the proposal as submitted. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries, 4-0.

Finding no further business, Pro-Tem President Irvin asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Meister with a second by Trustee Kinkade. All voted aye by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:48PM.

APPROVED:

Randy Irvin, Pro-Tem Village President

ATTEST:

Whitney M. Scott, Village Clerk