## VILLAGE OF HEBRON MCHENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

## Monthly Meeting Minutes of the VILLAGE OF HEBRON BOARD OF TRUSTEES Monday, January 27, 2025

Village President Robert Shelton called the meeting of the Village Board to order at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Trustees Present:** Roll call: Shepherd, Correll, Milarski, Stevens, Mindham, and Mogan answered aye to roll call.

**Also Present:** Attorney Smoron, Clerk Johnson, Public Works Superintendent Dan Nelson, Building Inspector Dan Streit, and approximately 16 Visitors were in attendance.

## Motion to Approve the Minutes of December 23, 2024, Village Board Meeting and the Minutes of the Special Village Board Meeting on January 13, 2025.

Trustee Milarski made a motion to Approve the Minutes of December 23, 2024, Village Board Meeting and the Minutes of the Special Village Board Meeting on January 13, 2025. Jonathan Mindham seconded the motion. Trustee Mogan would like to know if the Minutes were proper for Roberts Rules of Order. Attorney Smoron stated that he is not sure it is a question for Roberts Rule of Order but normally they are supposed to be a summary.

Trustee Shepherd, Correll, Milarski, Stevens, and Mindham, and Mogan approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

### Motion to Approve December 2024/January 2025 Accounts Payable Balance.

Trustee Shepherd made a motion to Approve December 2024/January 2025 Accounts Payable Balance. Trustee Milarski seconded the motion.

Trustee Shepherd stated that there are just a few higher bills, 2 new computers Chief/Treasurer, maintenance items for the Police Department, Napa- Streets Department, Schelflow Engineers – Phase III of grant. General Fund total of \$28,466.07 and Water/Sewer Fund of \$32,497.90 and Grand Total of \$60,963.97.

Trustee Shepherd, Correll, Milarski, Stevens, and Mindham, and Mogan approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

#### Presidents Report.

President Shelton – Hope everyone had a Great Christmas and New Year. Winter so far has been nice with little snow fall. The Village had a nice turn out for the Christmas Light contest. 2025/2026 Budgeting process will begin shortly.

#### **Public Comment.**

Pat Tibbets, would like to know if anyone looked into the Handicap sidewalk from the High School to Illinois Street or who would she contact to look into this. She inquired about the evergreen on the corner of Route 47 and McKinley that is already obstructing the view on that corner, it needs to be trimmed, who can she talk to about this. Would like to know what 3 trees the Village recommends residents plant. Joann Lange, concerned that there were 3 possibly 4 emergencies since New Years Eve. The house fire on 47 had a great response from the Fire Department. Hebron Police was never on the scene. Death of a residents, Hebron EMS and County were on the scene, Police Chief did not show up for an hour and a half. She has concerns about Chief Goldman not doing his job and if he is even qualifies as a full-time

Police Chief. Concerned about all the cleaning and no patrol, what about the community's safety. Concerned that Chief Goldman is ordering the officers and CSO's to clean instead of answering phones calls, responding to calls or patrolling the Village. Sergeant Biancalana was injured due to being ordered to remove shelving units, and now he is on medical leave. CSO Tomlin has resigned due to not being able to do his job as ordered by Chief Goldman to clean instead, he received no pay increase after two years and was never sent to the Police Academy as promised months ago.

Pat Peterson, she is concerned on how the taxpayer's money is being spent in the Village, and it should be foremost on the mind of every Trustee and the President of the Village. The money spent on the January 13, 2025, meeting was not necessary. Spending approximately \$750 as it was irrelevant to the Village.

Penny Smith, School Board President, concerned that Chief Goldman was hired on November 14, 2024, Full-Time December 13, 2024, finally meet with the Superintendent of the Schools on January 21, 2025, has not walked thru the schools. She is a 27-year veteran teacher and was teaching when the Columbine school shooting happened. The safety of the children and teachers are the Villages responsibility.

### Announcement of the Christmas Light winners.

Trustee Milarski announced the winners of the 2024 Christmas Lights contest. 1<sup>st</sup> place going to the Norton Family on Woods, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place going to The Chrisman family on Amberwood, Tie for 3rd Place going to the Wappler family on 3<sup>rd</sup> and Mass Family on Illinois. Congratulations to all the winners!

# Discussion on the Building running a Business without a Business registration and no Water/Sewer Hook-up.

President Shelton stated that the building is located at 9937 Main Street Hebron, IL. Concerns are running a business, and selling items with no business license, no registration, no insurance, no tax ID, health, safety, condition of building, nonpayment of water/sewer bill, and financial liability to the system. Discussion ensued. President Shelton, Dan Nelson, Dan Streit, Planning and Zoning will be going to do a site tour on February 6, 2025, at 10:00 am.

#### Department Heads.

Dan Streit, Building Department, Gave a report on activity for 2024. The Village issued 57 building permits in 2024, 1 submission and completion of a new single-family home and 1 large commercial addition, Hebron Fire District. The Village will be required to update and adopt the building and electrical codes under the State of Illinois's most recent law that went into effect January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Jason Petrie will be submitting building permits for the proposed commercial development in the very near future.

Dan Nelson, Public Works, Clerk Johnson enrolled the 3 public works employees into 2 classes for continuing ed. Working on truck maintenance, secured the evidence room for the Police Department and Squad Car Maintenance. Trustee Stevens Thanked Dan for always lending a hand to residents and being a superhero for the Village of Hebron.

#### **Attorney Report**

Attorney Smoron - None

#### **Board Comments.**

*Mark Shepherd*, his concern for the development of Chacin was possible water contamination in the future. He was happy to see that be put to rest.

Shirlee Correll. Happy to be back.

Dawn Milarski, was hoping to address the Hostile work environment complaint filed by Police Chief Goldman against her and Trustee Stevens. Just signed the Monarch Pledge for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year. Looking for

vendors for the Village events. She attended the MCCG meeting because it was about transportation. Reminded everyone to get out and vote as their vote matters. Thanked everyone for coming out. Josh Stevens, He thanked Penny Smith and the community for coming to the meeting. He understands Penny's frustration with the Hebron Police Department as he works at the schools as well. He was upset to see CSO Tomlin leave. The schools needed him and felt a bit more secure having an officer there. Paid his respects to Laura Nelson for her commitment to the community. Disappointed that Police Chief Goldman was not at the meeting because he would have liked to address the hostile work environment complaint, he filed against him. Apologized to Trustee Mogan for any hurt feelings and for offending him in any way. Spoke to Trustee Mogan on the comment last month. Wished everyone a Happy Valentines Day and make sure you get out to Vote as their vote and voice matters. Jonathan Mindham, Thanked Penny Smith for coming to the meeting and understands the frustration. He would like to attend the school board meetings to be a liaison for the schools, so the Village Board has a better understanding of their needs. Hebron needs to be improved, and he hopes that it will happen in the very near future. He is happy to be a liaison for the community as their voice needs to be heard. The Elections is coming up April 1st get out there and vote, your vote counts. Thanked everyone for coming out. He thanked Dan Nelson and Dan Streit for coming to the meeting. Mark Mogan, None

February 10, 2025, Meeting Cancelled.

Next meeting is February 24, 2025 at 6:00pm

#### Adjournment.

Trustee Shepherd made a Motion to Adjourn, and Trustee Stevens seconded the motion. Motion carried. After a roll call vote which all approved, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Roxanne Johnson Village Clerk Robert W. Shelton Village President

Minutes prepared by: Roxanne Johnson, Village Clerk

Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Village Board, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

APPROVED: 02/24/2025