

VILLAGE OF HEBRON  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
JULY 26, 2021

President Shelton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees Shepherd, Mogan, Drevalas, Peterson, and Lange answered aye to roll call.

**Motion to Approve the Minutes of June 28, 2021, Village Board Meeting**

Trustee Mogan made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2021, Village Board meeting. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Trustees Mogan, Peterson, Drevalas, Lange and Shepherd approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

**Motion to Approve the June/July 2021 Accounts Payable**

Trustee Shepherd reported that there was \$13,409.80 due in accounts payable for General Fund and \$14,948.45 due in the Water/Sewer Fund accounts payable. The total due for accounts payable was \$28,358.25. Trustee Shepherd said that there were no add-ons and made a motion to approve the June/July 2021 accounts payable as presented. Trustee Mogan seconded the motion. Trustee Peterson questioned the \$12,214.47 allocation paid in the sewer budget. Superintendent Nelson said a portion of this payment was for \$7,500 annual dues paid to IEPA. Trustee Shepherd, Mogan, Lange, Drevalas, and Peterson approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried by all.

**President's Report**

President Shelton welcomed everyone to the meeting. He reported that the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade went well and was well attended. He added that the Tractor Trek that went through part of Hebron also went well. He said that there were several events upcoming and are the Sleep in Heavenly Peace build a bed event to be held on Saturday, July 31, the Hebron wide garage sale on Saturday, August 14, and Fall Fest on Saturday, September 25. He also reported that the Village audit was complete and went well. He announced that Prairie Land Disposal was recently purchased by GFL, a Canadian company, but there will not be any changes for the Village through the end of the contract which expires on December 31, 2025. Lastly, he reported that tree trimming has been done within the Village recently.

**Public Comments**

*Karen Lalor, 12718 O'Brien Road*, reported that tents will be set up for the Sleep in Heavenly Peace event, Hazel's will supply treats, and the Methodist Church will supply water. She stated that they are looking for additional help and asked people to show up the day of, if possible. Ms. Lalor thanked the Village Board and its residents for their support for this event.

*John Stancil, 12406 Wildflower Way*, asked the Board to consider passing an ordinance to allow the use of golf carts on the Village roads. He stated that he did some research and golf carts are allowed to cross state highways.

*Kimmy Martinez, 9619 Main Street*, welcomed Mark Mogan to the Village Board as well as the new trustee to be appointed later in the meeting. She asked President Shelton what jobs have been assigned to the newly appointed trustees. President Shelton stated that Trustee Mogan will manage the Village

Facebook site and he will look at the strengths of the new appointee and determine what will be a good fit, but he might be helpful on the Events Committee.

There were no other public comments.

**Motion to Approve the Appointment of One Open Trustee Position and, if Approved, Swearing-In of New Trustee**

President Shelton introduced Josh Stevens for appointment and approval to fill the open trustee position. He explained that he feels that Josh's experience with the library and education will be a good fit for the Board. Mr. Stevens will help the Village to end the divisiveness within the Village. Trustee Peterson made a motion to appoint Josh Stevens to the Village Board to fill the open trustee position. Trustee Shepherd seconded the motion. Trustee Peterson, Shepherd, Mogan, Lange, and Drevalas approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried by all. Village Attorney, Michael Smoron performed the honor of swearing in Josh Stevens as Village Trustee and joined the Board on the podium.

**Motion to Approve the Appointment of One Open Planning and Zoning Commission Member and, if Approved, Swearing in of New Commission Member**

President Shelton asked the Board to approve Brian Aherns as a new member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. He added that Mr. Aherns is interested in serving the Village of Hebron. Trustee Shepherd made a motion to appoint Brian Aherns to the Village Planning and Zoning Commission. Trustee Lange seconded the motion. Trustee Shepherd, Lange, Peterson, Mogan, Stevens, and Drevalas approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried by all. Village Attorney, Michael Smoron performed the honor of swearing in Brian Aherns as a member of the Village Planning and Zoning Commission.

**Motion to Approve Hebron Fall Fest on September 25, 2021, at the Hebron Community Park**

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the use of the Hebron Community Park on September 25, 2021. Trustee Lange seconded the motion. Trustee Peterson stated that she is all on board to help Trustee Drevalas with this event. Trustee Drevalas announced that there will be a car show including trucks, motorcycles, fire trucks and tractors. She added that there will be a performance by a precision motorcycle group from Woodstock and a food truck. Discussion ensued as to street closures for this event. A Village resident recommended considering vendors to attend. Trustee Drevalas wanted to access the space available first. Trustee Drevalas mentioned that they are looking for more than one food truck to take part. Trustee Mogan expressed that Hebron residents should be given warning of any road closures due to this event.

Trustees Peterson, Lange, Stevens, Mogan, Shepherd, and Drevalas approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

**Motion to Ratify Approval of Donation to Sleep in Heavenly Peace**

Previously a consensus vote was taken to approve a donation to the Sleep in Heavenly Peace Event. Trustee Peterson made a motion to ratify approval of a \$300 donation to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Trustee Drevalas seconded the motion. Trustee Shepherd asked what the hours of the event would be.

Resident, Karen Lalor, reported that the hours would be from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Chief Donlea recommended offering alternative parking to bicyclists as they usually park in the municipal parking lot.

Trustees Shepherd, Stevens, Drevalas, Peterson, and Lange approved the motion by answering aye. Trustee Mogan voted against. Motion carried.

**Motion to Approve the Use of the Community Park and the Waiver of Fees for the Girl Scout Bridging Ceremony**

Trustee Mogan made a motion for the use of the Hebron Community Park and waiver of fees for the local Girl Scout bridging ceremony to be held on August 28, 2021. Trustee Stevens seconded the motion. Trustees Mogan, Stevens, Peterson, Lange, Drevalas, and Shepherd approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

**Motion to Select and Approve Bid for Bigelow and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Repaving**

President Shelton announced that Payne and Dolan came in as the lowest bidder for \$108,994.70 to repave Bigelow and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Trustee Mogan made a motion to select and approve Payne and Dolan for the repaving of Bigelow and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Trustee Shepherd seconded the motion. Trustee Peterson commended the Village Public Works department for saving the Village \$20,000 on this project by doing some of the work themselves. President Shelton said that, once approved, the Village engineer will work with IDOT to move forward with the project.

Trustees Mogan, Shepherd, Drevalas, Stevens, Peterson, and Lange approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

**Department Head Reports**

Chief Donlea reported that the Police Department has had 302 calls, including traffic stops, in the past month. He cautioned all to be aware that children will be back in school soon and to especially be careful on St. Alban's from Route 173 south to the school as many students use this route when walking to school. He also suggested "Stop for Pedestrians" signs be placed in certain areas. Due to upcoming events, he would like the Police Department to be given notification in advance to have appropriate lead time for the use of barricades, etc.

Dan Nelson, Public Works Superintendent reported that resident, Laura Leedle, would like to move old playground equipment to the park on Union Street. She asked Public Works for help in repairing and installing it. He added that it is in the Public Works building now and it would come at no cost to the Village except for the time it would take to repair what is needed and installing it. He also reported that they are acquiring more trees for the Village with the help of Trustee Drevalas. He reported that the area near Dollar General is very dark, and he has been in contact with ComEd to see if another streetlight could be installed by them.

There were no other reports.

**Attorney Report**

Attorney Smoron reported that he has reached out to J&L Contractors to request them cut the grass in Trails of Hebron and has not had results. The Village may need to place a lien and cut the grass themselves. He also said that there has not been any word from the appellate court regarding current litigation.

**Board Comments**

Trustee Peterson asked that Village Board meeting minutes be put in the case in the US Post Office after approval making it easier for residents without digital access to view. She reported on the School District 19 meeting saying that they will be putting out a newsletter to the community and August 18<sup>th</sup> will start full in-school attendance following CDC and IDPH guidelines. Children will have to wear masks on the bus, but do not need them on the playground. She said that residents can check the school website for the most current information. The school will be hosting a corn roast with Benching for Bucks at 4:30 p.m., Volleyball at 6:00 p.m., and Football scrimmage at 7:30 p.m. Lastly, she said that the district hired a new Elementary principal.

Trustee Lange reported that the Township meeting was quiet with a brief discussion of the completed paving project of their part of Hebron Road. The Township is looking for local photos to decorate their hallway, like what was done in the Hebron Village Hall entry area.

Trustee Mogan reported that the Village Facebook page has been very active and is up 131.5 percent.

Trustee Drevalas has received some interesting responses from residents about what type of events they would like to see in the Village. President Shelton asked her to investigate improving the small garden area by the Village Hall's front door.

Trustee Stevens said that he is looking forward to working with everyone and he feels that the Village is heading in a good direction.

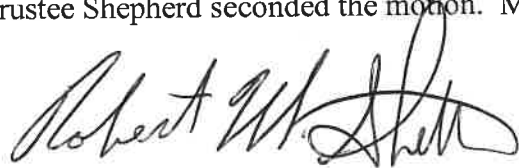
President Shelton reported that the Village Board meeting on August 9th will have been cancelled, and the next Village Board meeting will be on Monday, August 23 at 6:00 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Trustee Mogan made a motion to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. Trustee Shepherd seconded the motion. Motion carried by all.



Jean Attermeier,  
Village Clerk



Robert W. Shelton  
Village President