

VILLAGE OF HEBRON
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
JULY 15, 2019

President Martinez called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees Shepherd, Ritzert, Wagner, Lange, and Peterson answered aye to roll call.

Discussion and Vote to Approve minutes of June 17, 2019 Village Board Meeting

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2019 Village Board meeting. Trustee Ritzert seconded the motion. Trustees Peterson, Ritzert, Shepherd, Wagner and Lange approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

Discussion and Vote to Approve June/July 2019 Accounts Payable

Trustee Shepherd reported that the General Fund total was \$13,713.03. The Water/Sewer Fund was \$29,985.96, which gives a combined total of \$43,698.99. Trustee Shepherd made a motion to approve June/July accounts payable as presented. Trustee Lange seconded the motion. Trustee Shepherd, Lange, Ritzert, Wagner, and Peterson approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

President's Report

President Martinez stated that later in the evening the Board will vote on amending an ordinance with regards to installation of the new water meters. The task is almost complete; however, some homeowners will not allow the Village access to their homes to install the meters. She added that the IEPA mandated these meter changes and they must be complete.

She also mentioned that the Village has had numerous resumes for the Village treasurer office opening and they are in the process of conducting interview.

Public Comment 1

There were none.

Discussion and Vote to Approve FY2019-2020 Appropriations Ordinance

President Martinez explained that this ordinance is one of the most important ordinances the Village adopts each year. It provides the legal authority under which the Village allocates money to specific spending activities. It also establishes our legal spending limit for the fiscal year and serves as the basis for the property tax levy we are required to file each December.

Treasurer Syens stated that the appropriations ordinance was straight forward. There was a 10 percent increase across the board. She mentioned that there was nothing in the payroll listed for the streets department; adding payroll will put this at higher than 10 percent.

Trustee Shepherd stated he would like line item number 519, Water Maintenance, raised 20 percent to account for possible water main breaks.

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Attorney Smoron recommended adding one million in expenditures for legal fees.

Trustee Shepherd made a motion to approve the FY2019-2020 Appropriation Ordinance with the suggested revision. Trustee Ritzert seconded the motion. Trustee Shepherd, Ritzert, Wagner, Lange, and Peterson approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

Discussion with Jay Shah, owner of Quick Stop

Mr. Shah expressed concern regarding the burden the state has placed on his establishment by raising the gas tax. He is worried that an additional liquor license and video gaming license requested recently will again take away from his business.

Discussion and Vote to Approve a Business Proposal for the Property Known as 12115 Route 173

Kim Van Lent, owner of 12115 Route 173 brought in a hand drawn floor plan of their proposal. She informed the Board that this property has been given liquor licenses in the past. Trustee Peterson stated that she would like to see a more detailed proposal than what was being presented. Ms. Van Lent said that she will work on a new proposal.

This proposal will be continued to the next Village Board meeting on August 19.

Discussion and Vote to Approve Ordinance Amending the Village of Hebron Municipal Code by Adding Animal Control Regulations

President Martinez explained that, if passed, this ordinance would put in place regulations regarding the keeping of animals. In respect to the keeping of chickens, she stated that the size of the yard could not be less than 6,000 square feet with only four hens allowed, no roosters, in a covered, contained coop. Trustee Peterson thought that the number of hens should be increased to 8 and she asked what would be in place to deal with possible odor problems. President Martinez stated that problems would be addressed by the police department; violations would be reposted to the Chief and tickets would be given.

Discussion ensued as to the amount of chickens allowed and Trustee Ritzert suggested the number of chickens allowed could be based on lot size. President Martinez stated that only 50 licenses to own chickens would be issued. Trustee Wagner asked how the keeping of chickens would be regulated and he went on to state that he is not in favor of it as the Village already has a problem with stray cats. President Martinez stated that residents that own chickens would pay a one-time fee for the building inspector to inspect the coops. Trustee Shepherd does not believe this should be allowed in residential zoning. He feels that there are plenty of farms around that sell fresh eggs.

Resident Joann Lange stated that chickens carry toxoplasmosis which can be passed on to pregnant women.

Chief Donlea suggested fines be based on the number of chickens as opposed to lot size.

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Resident Dave Manning suggested that there should be a yearly inspection with a fee. Trustee Wagner thought the fee should be \$250 and he added that he worried that this would increase the coyote population in the Hebron area. Resident Candance Kanneck stated that homes in Hebron back up to each other and this will create an abundance of animal noise. Resident Sandy Drevalas is not in favor of allowing chickens. Resident Sharon Pohlman thought 50 licenses was too many. Resident Anthony Rajkowski stated that the Village could require a fence keeping coops out of site and chickens safe.

At this time, President Martinez asked for a consensus to or not to allow chickens in residential zoning within the Village. Trustee Wagner, Peterson, Lange, and Shepherd voted no. Trustee Ritzert voted yes. President Martinez stated that a motion could be made for the remainder of the ordinance presented with the removal of the portion involving housing chickens. Trustee Shepherd made a motion to approve the ordinance amending the Village of Hebron Municipal Code by adding animal control regulations omitting sections 7-6-1 and 7-6-2 as discussed. Trustee Lange seconded the motion. Trustee Shepherd, Lange, Ritzert, Wagner, and Peterson approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued as to fines imposed for violations of this ordinance. Attorney Smoron stated that the penalties are spelled out within the ordinance. All trustees agreed that this would suffice.

Discussion and Vote to Approve Ordinance Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Office of the Comptroller and the Village of Hebron regarding Access to the Comptroller's Local Debt Recovery Program

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented. Trustee Ritzert seconded the motion. Trustee Peterson, Ritzert, Shepherd, Lange, and Wagner approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

Discussion and Vote to Approve Ordinance Amending Section 6A-2-2-H and Section 6A-3-3 of the Hebron Municipal Code

This was tabled until the next Village Board meeting.

Discussion and Vote to Approve Ordinance Amending Section 6A-3-6, Water Meters, in Title 6A of the Hebron Municipal Code

President Martinez read the proposed ordinance. Trustee Lange recommended that a provision for maintenance be added into the ordinance and Attorney Smoron stated he will add maintenance to the ordinance. Trustee Lange made a motion to approve the ordinance with the addition of a provision for maintenance of the equipment. Trustee Wagner seconded the motion. Trustee Lange, Wagner, Shepherd, Ritzert, and Peterson approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

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Discussion and Vote to Approve Ordinance Amending Section 3-2-7B of the Hebron Municipal Code to Increase the Number of Class A Liquor Licenses to Eight and the Number of Video Gaming Licenses to Seven

This was tabled until the next Village Board meeting.

Discussion and Vote to Approve Ordinance Amending Section 3-2-33.1, Video Gaming of the Hebron Municipal Code

President Martinez explained that the ordinance must state that establishments have a Class A liquor license to have video gaming. Trustee Lange made a motion to approve the ordinance amending Section 3-2-33.1, Video Gaming of the Hebron Municipal Code. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Trustee Lange, Peterson, Wagner, Shepherd, and Ritzert approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

Discussion and Vote to Approve an Amendment Adding the Village of Hebron to the Intergovernmental Agreement for the McRide Dial-A-Ride Transit Service Agreement currently in place for 2019

President Martinez explained that our payment would be prorated for 2019. Riders must be within McHenry County. Riders would need to call for an appointment and would pay for this service based on distance; this service would be curb to curb and no packages would be brought into their homes.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve an amendment adding the Village of Hebron to the Intergovernmental Agreement for the McRide Dial-A-Ride Transit Service Agreement currently in place for 2019. Trustee Shepherd seconded the motion. Trustee Peterson, Shepherd, Wagner, Lange, and Ritzert approved the motion by answering aye. Motion carried.

Department Head Reports

Treasurer Syens announced that Jane Hahn has resigned her position as treasurer assistant.

Chief Donlea mentioned that this coming weekend is Country Thunder and he warned residents to be aware of an increase in traffic.

Public Comments 2

There were none.

Attorney Report

None

Board Comments

Trustee Peterson commended Attorney Smoron for his work on preparing Ordinances. President Martinez thanked the Board members for working well together.

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President Martinez stated that the next Village Board meeting on August 5th will be cancelled, leaving the next Board meeting on Monday, August 19th at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Wagner made a motion to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Trustee Lange seconded the motion. Motion carried by all voting aye.



Jean Attermeier,
Village Clerk



Kimmy Martinez,
Village President