

***January 19, 2021***

**Open Time:** The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dupo, Illinois, met for a regular board meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January at the Dupo Village Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. Pledge of allegiance was conducted.

**Roll Call:** Trustees answering roll call for the meeting were: Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustee(s) Absent: None. There being a quorum present, President Wilson declared the meeting open for business. Others in attendance: Clerk Nadler, Attorney Swartwout, Treasurer Holzhauser, Chief Smith, and Brett Small.

**Communications:** Clerk Nadler read correspondence regarding FOP negotiation demand, annual Dupo School reading program, and St. Clair County Homeless Action Council. Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Ragsdale seconded for the Board to put the communications on file. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Trustee Basinski motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to approve the regular session minutes from the regular meeting of January 4, 2021, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Bills:** Discussion was held regarding a Charlies Carstar bill. Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Foster seconded for the Board to approve the bills, as presented. Trustees voting “Aye”, Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay”, none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Public Address Board:** None.

**Old Business:** Discussion was held regarding receiving the loan check from St. Clair County for the I255 Engineering project costs, paying of the bills, and submitting the payments for reimbursement, meeting with the new local head of UPRR, discussions on road issues and repairs, and meeting this week with Burns and McDonnell on future invoicing.

Discussion was held regarding review of the TWM contract and clarifications that was approved at the last meeting. Payment of the

EDA grant application engineering and any matching funds if the grant is awarded will need to come from Village funds or some other non-project, non-Federal source. Discussion was held regarding whether to pursue, if so, for how much, project funding options if we don't apply or get the grant, etc.

**New Business:** Discussion was held regarding the TWM EDA grant project engineering payment.

Trustee Foster motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to pay \$23,500 - \$28,500 to TWM for EDA grant project engineering, split between Water, Gas, and Sewer departments. Trustees voting "Aye", Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting "Nay", none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

Sewer Committee Chairperson Foster discussed the fine screen pumps coming in that were burned out with the solar install and working on getting a reimbursement.

Finance/Ordinance Committee Chairperson Smith discussed office cleaning moving to once every 2 weeks due to the lobby being closed, and Aramark removing rugs and stopping charging the village.

Water Committee Chairperson Basinski discussed Matt starting Sewer training to float between Water and Sewer, ordering of additional meters and remotes, accessing email on computers by Village employees, a new environmental study needing to be done at the tank removal site, a letter sent to Standard Solar regarding issues with the project construction, and follow up calls and meetings with the construction project team.

Gas/Parks Committee Chairperson Phillips discussed waiting to hear from the Railroad on switching shop to village gas, looking at purchasing a new mower for the park at the beginning of next fiscal year, status of replacing remaining lights at the park with LED, and starting discussions on July 4<sup>th</sup> considerations.

Public Safety Committee Chairperson Keys, and Chief Smith discussed the FOP negotiation request.

Street Committee Chairperson Ragsdale discussed meeting on MFT last week to start filling out the year end reports and 2021 MFT forms.

**Zoning/Planning Board:** None

**Other Business:** Trustee Ragsdale motioned, and Trustee Phillips

seconded for the Board to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contracts, and possible litigation per 5 ILCS 120/2 {c}{1}/{11}. Trustees voting “Aye,” Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Executive Session began at 7:52 P.M.

Trustee Ragsdale motioned, and Trustee Basinski seconded for the Board to return to Open Session. Trustees voting “Aye,” Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Executive Session concluded at 8:15 P.M.

**Adjournment Time:** With nothing further to come before the board, Trustee Phillips motioned, and Trustee Keys seconded for the Board to adjourn the meeting. Trustees voting “Aye,” Basinski, Smith, Foster, Ragsdale, Phillips and Keys. Trustees voting “Nay,” none. After an affirmative vote, the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

***Mark Nadler, Clerk***