

**MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION  
VILLAGE OF HAMEL BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday September 10, 2019  
7:00 PM**

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hamel was called to order by Mayor Larry Bloemker at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 111 South Old US Route 66, and Hamel, Illinois. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Trustee Behrhorst, Trustee Otrembiak, Trustee Gorzny & Trustee Goebel  
Absent: Trustee Short and Trustee Salmi

Mayor: Larry Bloemker  
Attorney: Phil Lading  
Police: Officer Scott Manville  
Public Works Director: Don Grimm  
Treasurer: Jennifer Gehner  
Village Clerk: Debbie Belville

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Regular monthly bills, Minutes from August 13, 2019 and Treasurers Report. Motion to approve consent agenda made by Trustee Goebel and second by Trustee Behrhorst. Roll call: Behrhorst, Goebel, Gorzny & Otrembiak. Motion carried.

**GUESTS:**

Mr. Nathan Hutson (MCC)

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**MAYOR REPORT:**

Expecting to see MFT up about 50% this month or next month due to the Illinois gas tax increase. We will also get a cut of the marijuana revenue, (recreational) regardless if we pass this or not. The State has changed the laws allowing us to collect local sales tax for items that are purchased online. This is an item for example that Amazon sells but not something they make.

Comprehensive Plan meeting September 26<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, at 7:00 pm at the Community Center. The Mayor requests that all the Trustee Members please attend. The new steering committee will be there in addition to the Planning Commission members. Scott Hanson will be running this meeting and it will be very inactive meeting for the public.

**POLICE REPORT:**

Officer Scott Manville reported the total case reports generated were 3; warrant arrest, aggravated battery and retail theft. Total of 60 traffic stops, with 31 citations issued and 30 warnings. Total vehicles that entered Loves' Travel Stop – 76,954.

The newer squad car was serviced for a recall. Sgt. Stewart's replacement vest arrived. We received the \$4,000.00 MM4PD Grant.

Motion made by Trustee Goebel to Approve camera system for North Frontage Road not to exceed \$5,000. Second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Otrembiak & Goebel. Motion carried.

**PARK REPORT:**

Installed motion sensors at the park in the restrooms for the lights and fans. The air conditioner unit for the large room has been repaired. Effect January 1, 2020, the State of Illinois passed a law that single stall restrooms must have a sign that reads "Restroom".

The roof at the Community Center needs to be repainted and checked before the solar panels are installed. Motion made by Trustee Gorzny to approve roof maintenance for Community Center for Daniels Quality Painting, partial payment of \$2,067.00 and at completion \$4,133.00 (total \$6,200.00). Second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Goebel, Otrembiak, Gorzny & Behrhorst. Motion carried.

**WATER REPORT:**

Have two services to install this month. Lead and copper samples have been sent to IEPA. Illinois American did a system wide flushing and the Village will complete flushing this week.

**SEWER REPORT:**

Continued clean up at the plant, Madison County SWAP Program went very well. We will be using this program again. Motion made by Trustee Goebel to approve purchase of 12 white pine trees for the fence line area from A. Waldbart & Son Nursery in the amount of \$2,856.00, second by Trustee Gorzny. Roll call: Goebel, Otrembiak, Gorzny & Behrhorst. Motion carried.

**STREETS/STORM WATER REPORT:**

Street oiling is set for September 30, 2019. The streets will be milled down to even out the higher spots in some of the roads. This will happen approximately a week before oiling. Still working on small drainage issues. Next month the sump line projects will be discussed.

Motion made by Trustee Goebel to approve awarding of bid to JTC Petroleum Company for 2019-2020 oil and chipping in the amount of \$32,218.11, second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Gorzny, Otrembiak, Behrhorst & Goebel. Motion carried.

All the windows in Village Hall have been replaced, they are tilt in, aluminum with triple pane. The water issue in the basement will be fully addressed next month after the companies come out for inspection and an estimate on repairs and cost. There has been one company out at this point, but two others have been contacted.

**TOURISM:** The Miles of Possibilities Conference will be held at Illinois State University next month. The State will be doing a Centennial Event for Route 66 that will be held in 2026.

**PERSONNEL:** No report

**FINANCE:** No report

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Brief discussion regarding legalization of marijuana in the State of Illinois and what that entails for the Village of Hamel. There will be discussion of this topic at the Comprehensive Planning Meeting on September 26, 2019 that will be held at the Community Center.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

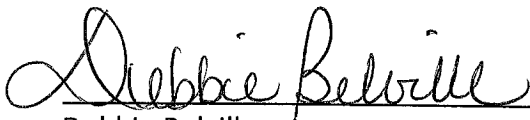
Motion made by Trustee Goebel to accept and approve **ORDINANCE 19-10; AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF HAMEL LIQUOR CODE REGARDING CLOSING HOURS FOR ALL LIQUOR LICENSES** and a second by Trustee Otrembiak. Roll call: Behrhorst, Gorzny, Goebel & Otrembiak. Motion carried.

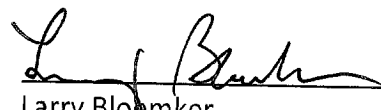
Motion made by Trustee Goebel to accept and approve **ORDINANCE 19-11; ESTABLISHING THE HAMEL BUSINESS DISTRICT II; APPROVING A BUSINESS DISTRICT PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF A SALES TAX WITHIN SUCH BUSINESS DISTRICT; AND APPROVING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH BUSINESS DISTRICT** and a second by Trustee Behrhorst. Roll call: Otrembiak, Goebel, Gorzny & Behrhorst. Motion carried.

There were recommendation and handouts given to the Board for consideration of a dog park that would be located at the cell tower area. The footprint would be approximately 1 ½ areas. The other is the extension of the sidewalk on Park Ave. This would be approximately 775 feet of new sidewalk. In addition to this new area of sidewalk there is about 800 feet of existing sidewalk that needs to be repaired or fixed first.

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:49 pm by Trustee Behrhorst and second by Trustee Otrembiak, all ayes. Time out 7:50 pm.

Approved at the Village of Hamel Board Meeting October 8th, 2019, at the Village Hall.

  
Debbie Belville  
Village Clerk

  
Larry Blomker  
Village President/Mayor