

**REGULAR MEETING
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD
March 6, 2023**

Village Pro-Tempore Sherena Smith called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, March 6, 2023 at the Tremont Community Center.

Present: Village President Pro-Tempore Smith, Trustees Replogle, Zuercher, Harding, Scranton, Getz

Absent:

Village Clerk: David Lucas

Attorney: Michael Seghetti

Police Chief: Rob Siwak

Village Administrator: Jeff Hinman

Village Engineer: Eric Hansen

Guests: Tony Moore, Dan Winters, Deb McBeath, Mike Vonderheide, Brian Vonderheide, Bradley Melton, Joan Stuber, Ray Frank, Rick Otey

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of February 20, 2023 and Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: Zuercher, Harding, Scranton, Smith, Replogle

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Pass: Getz

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers and budget items incurred since February 20, 2023, and Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Replogle and the board discussed a dumpster that has been placed on South Sampson Street for an extended period of time. A letter will be sent to the property owner soon.

Trustee Harding met the Village cleaners and the application for Community Center rental will be revised due to lack of cleaning procedures. Trustee Harding recommended the purchase of two vacuums for both the Village Hall and Community Center.

Trustee Scranton made a motion to transfer \$14,237.12 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations Checking to cover bills and payroll. Trustee Zuercher seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Getz and Village Engineer Hansen are scheduled to meet soon to discuss the motor fuel tax.

Rick Otey, representing “Tremont Grade School Fist Bumping Vets” spoke with the board of trustees about an education opportunity for Tremont fourth graders. Rick and other members of “Tremont Grade School Fist Bumping Vets” are planning on hosting an educational event on the proper procedures for American flag handling, including folding, hoisting and disposal of flags. This will be the sixth year for this educational event.

Joan Stuber and the board of trustees discussed the changes that are coming to the Water and Sewer bill.

Trustee Replogle made a motion to approve the Prairie Knolls Estate Section Three Variance Request, per the Zoning Code, upholding the decision of the zoning board. Trustee Harding Seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Smith spoke with a representative from Verizon to discuss wireless options for the Village Hall as it pertains to a phone system. There are currently no other bids for Village phones.

Village Administrator Hinman discussed Village technology as it pertains to email addresses, transitioning to “.gov” email addresses. Hinman met with Mavidea, who bought out Haas IT, and they recommended Microsoft for “.gov” emails and to manage them. With the Villages approval, Jeff Hinman will pursue the “.gov” email domain with Microsoft.

Hinman recommends to procure management for a company to be involved with Village Security for Technology.

Trustee Replogle made a motion to approve Ordinance for garbage collection 23-106, Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Harding made a motion to approve Resolution 23-101 with an amendment to the agreement deleting section 3.4 and replacing it with the surcharge language from Eric Shangraw’s March 3, 2023 email. Trustee Replogle seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Business Development District - Businesses in Tremont present during the Village meeting are supportive of the proposed Business Development District.

Trustee Smith gave an update on Tremont Area Park Districts new building proposal. Smith met with TAPD board members to discuss.

Trustee Repogle and the board discussed the re-zoning of tremont coop grain property at 112 N West St. It will be going to the Zoning Board on March 30, 2023.

The board of trustees discussed the W&S Rate Ordinance, centering around sending the bills to the landlords. Village Attorney Seghetti and Todd Bong recently spoke about putting the service in the landlord's name but mailing the bill to the property address. There was further discussion about changing the W&S Rate Ordinance language. The board is deciding to uphold the Q&S Rate Ordinance current language, which states that the W&S bill is being sent to the Property Owner.

Trustee Scranton made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-107, adding Chapter 13, alcoholic beverages, of the Tremont Village Code. Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: Rest

NAYS: Harding

Motion carried.

Rick Otey and the museum board met this morning, 3/6. They will be moving equipment in order to repair the museum roof. Trustee Scranton proposed to wait a year in order for funding to be in place to take care of the museum roof repair.

Trustee Scranton met with Kevin Ulrich and other representatives from the school board and talked about the TIF. The village needs to proceed soon with the TIF District.

Trustee Harding made a motion to approve the Membership dues for the Tremont Commerce Association, which is \$50. Trustee Scranton seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Scranton and the board discussed how to handle increased Village Security as it pertains to public events.

Trustee Scranton and the board discussed the Resolution supporting the TIF. A resolution that passes the TIF as it stands.

Trustee Harding made the motion to approve Resolution Supporting TIF

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Adjourn at 8:14 pm

David A. Lucas
Village Clerk

Sherena Smith
Village Board President Pro-Tempore
