

**REGULAR MEETING  
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD  
May 6, 2024**

Village President Todd Bong called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, May 6, 2024, at the Tremont Village Hall.

**Present:** Village President Todd Bong, Trustees Zuercher, Harding, Scranton, Hinman

**Absent:** Getz, Smith

Village Clerk: Jena Alig

Village Attorney: Michael Seghetti

Police Chief: Rob Siwak

Public Works Supt.: Russell Boston

Village Engineer: Eric Hansen

Guests: Richard Kinser, Joe Logsdon, Eric Schmitt, Pod OShea, Megan Baer, Kenny Eathington, Mike Goeken, Jeff Sinn, Duane Baker

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of April 15, 2024, and Trustee Scranton seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**PASSED: Hinman**

**Motion carried.**

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers, and budget items incurred since April 15, 2024, and Trustee Scranton seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the special meeting minutes for the meeting of April 29, 2024, and Trustee Scranton seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

Trustee Scranton made a motion to transfer \$15,961.38 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations Checking to cover payroll and bills. Trustee Hinman seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

## **Police Operations**

Covered under new business.

## **Zoning & Planning**

Nothing to report.

## **Buildings & Grounds**

Trustee Hinman reported we are still waiting for the Community Center to be painted. No updates currently.

## **Personnel**

Trustee Harding had nothing to report.

## **Finance**

Trustee Scranton reported there was a dip in sales tax receipts the last couple of months, CD expiring May 22 moving to General Fund and currently no bill backlog. Review of our development incentive packages shows that Day Care Resources will be complete from our financial obligation in July of this year, which is a year early and Jack's Café will be complete next year.

## **Public Works**

President Bong reported that during the heavy rain there were several residents on the West end of Madison St. that had water/sewage in their basements. Russell to review videos of the lines to determine which sump pumps are connected to the Village sanitary sewer system. Any houses that are identified will be notified by the Village to get disconnected. Russell to reinspect the line that runs from manhole 12 to manhole 13 for a possible restriction.

## **Public Comments**

## Unfinished Business

1. **Rezoning of Tremont Co-Op Grain Property:** President Bong reported that the rezoning of Tremont Co-Op Grain Property would be moved to the May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting and the Board would vote that night. Joe Logsdon from Co-Op Grain expressed concern about the length of time the process has taken. A representative from UCM expressed that they are open to negotiations in good faith with the Village.
2. **Village Website:** Wes Berchtold walked through the new website. The goal of the website is to provide resources to current residents, people looking to move to the Village, and current/future business owners.
3. **Ordinance Review of Golf Carts & UTVs:** Trustee Hinman discussed the consideration of changing the age limit to 16 years old, eliminate the restriction of driving on the 100 & 200 blocks of South Sampson and the 100 block of West Walnut Street, eliminate the provision that a handicap applicant must provide certificate signed by a physician, and charge a flat permit fee of \$40.
4. **Large Park Shelter:** The renovation cost from CMT \$112,628.81. The Betterment Committee committed to \$60K and an additional \$20k after the Turkey Festival, Winning Community committed to raise \$30K, but a financial safety net is stilled from the Park District or the Village. Village to have a meeting with the Park District.

## New Business

1. **Swearing in of New Police Officer:** Steven Fletcher is an Iraq War Veteran and a Purple Heart Recipient. He comes to Tremont with 20+ years of experience as an officer.
2. **Resolution 24-104 – Temporary Closure of Rt. 9:**

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve Resolution 24-104 Temporary Closure of Rt. 9 for the Turkey Festival Trustee Scranton seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

3. **Zoning Officer's Compensation:** Solar permits require three inspections.

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve \$120 solar permit compensation for the zoning officer, and Trustee Harding seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

4. **Committee Appointments:** President Bong appointed the 2024-2025 Fiscal year committees.

- Police – Jeff Hinman, Harding, Smith
- Zoning – Harding, Getz, Scranton
- Building/Grounds – Zuercher, Getz, Smith
- Personnel – Smith, Scranton, Hinman
- Finance – Scranton, Zuercher, Hinman
- Public Works – Getz, Harding, Zuercher
- President pro tempore - Harding

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the committee appointments and Trustee Hinman seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

5. Franklin Street Construction Supervision Contract:

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the Franklin Street Construction Supervision Contract and Trustee Scranton seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

6. Closed Session – Real Estate

Trustee Zuercher motioned to move to closed session and Trustee Hinman seconded.

**AYES: All**

**NAYS: None**

**Motion carried.**

Reconvened at 9:15pm. No further discussion.

Adjourn at 9:16 pm

Jena Alig  
Village Clerk

Todd Bong  
Village Board President

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