

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF GLENWOOD, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD AT VILLAGE HALL MAY 17, 2022

Board Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Mayor Ronald J. Gardiner. The audience was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Upon Roll Call by Village Deputy Clerk **Carolyn D. Williamson**, the following Trustees responded: **Clark, Hart, Hadnott, Lynch and Winston**

REMOTE PARTICIPATION

The meeting was conducted at Village Hall; there was no request for remote participation.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Village Treasurer, Carmen Hopkins, Kevin Welsh
Fire/Building; **Chief Peddycord** Police, **Bill Manousopoulos**,
Director of Public Works **Dave Shilling**, Village Engineer

ABSENT:

John Donahue, Village Attorney; **Trustee Dawson**,

Village Clerk's Office:

Motion to approve April 19, 2022, Regular Board Minutes.

Trustee Winston made the motion to approve as read;
Trustee Lynch second.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes:0 Recues: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain:0

Ayes: Clark, Hadnott, Hart, Lynch, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

TREASURER'S REPORT:

1). **Motion to Approve Bills Payable as presented by Treasurer, Carmen Hopkins**

Bills Payable – Corporate \$49,220.58, Water \$117,968.01,
Glenwoodie \$26,101.77

Total All Funds \$193,290.36

Trustee Lynch made the motion for approval; **Second by Trustee Clark** to accept the Motion as read.

Discussion: Trustee Winston. Trustee Winston noted his concern with there are no checks with the Bills Payables. He also stated the Bills Payables are still hard to follow and the report is not like it use to be.

VA Mitchell and Mayor Gardiner explained to Trustee Winston the Accounts Payable's computer malfunctioned and was down for two days. The AP Clerk was not able to print the checks until today. **Treasurer Hopkins** clarified only a copy of manual checks would appear in the Bills Payables. He states that the format is not what the Board is accustomed to seeing.

Mayor Gardiner stated he would talk to Sikich going forward to see if they could get the formatting the Board had in the past.

Trustee Winston also had concerns about a payment appeared to be for the Police department to Monarch; however, it should have been for Chicago Heights water. **Public Works Director Bill Manous** stated the check is for Water usage from Chicago Heights.

Trustee Hart and Trustee Hadnott had concerns on the format of the Bills Payables. **Trustee Hart** pointed out errors regarding the Bills Payables and asked the Treasurer and the Board address these errors going forward.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Hadnott, Hart, Lynch, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

Payroll as of the date May 6, 2022, Corporate in the amount of \$109,451.00, Sewer & Water \$12,176.00, Weapons Proficiency \$7,600.00, Uniform Allowance \$32,000.00, Paid on Call \$26,834.00, Glenwoodie \$20,221.00, Elected Officials \$4,833.00, **OVERTIME:** Police \$9,122.00, Reimbursable \$2,346.00, Sewer & Water \$411.00, Public Works OT \$221.00, **TOTAL PAYROLL \$222,869.00**

Trustee Hadnott moved; **Second by Trustee Clark** to accept the Motion as read.

Discussion: Trustee Lynch had concerns about the Police overtime. **Chief Peddycord** explained due to vacation time, the overtime increased.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes:0 Recues: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Hadnott, Hart, Lynch, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Resident-

Laurie Wheeler Resident (Brookwood Point)- addressed the Board with her concerns on the condition of the Parks such as the tennis courts and the overall look of the parks. She is requesting an Economic Development person to access the Village and give the Board suggestions and plans for the Village going forward.

Mayor Gardiner addressed Ms. Wheeler’s concerns and will follow up in the coming weeks.

Eric Slaughter – Resident (Forest) addressed the Board regarding Yard Waste Stickers. He suggested to let the Residents know the yard waste stickers went up in price. He also asked if we could look at the Homewood Disposal contract to see if we could possible not have to pay for stickers like other Villages in the area.

Mr. Slaughter also had concerns about the speeding cars down Center Street. He suggested the Village consider speed bumps.

Mayor Gardiner responded the Village will post on the website the increase. Mayor Gardine will also look at the contract for Homewood Disposal. Regarding the speed bumps, the Village will also look at what can be done.

Kamal Woods and Shalanda Terrell (ROK Island Bistro owners), and Eddie Fadel

Mr. Woods and Ms. Terrell addressed the Board regarding their Liquor License being changed to an R License which only allows him to have liquor until 11:00 p.m. He also stated his business is profitable and it’s good for the Village. Mr. Woods says all he tries to do is beautify his business despite people in the Village trying to muscle him for money.

Discussion: Trustee Hadnott led the discussion. Trustee Lynch stated the only issue he has is to have peace between the tenants and the Bistro. Mayor Gardiner's resolution was to sit down tomorrow afternoon with Mr. Woods and Ms. Terrell along with all parties involved to possibly find a common ground on issuing a new Liquor License. The Mayor will also get the Village Attorney involved to possibly upgrade the License to a more favorable time.

COMMUNICATIONS MAYORS OFFICE:

Consideration of approval of audio/video contract for Board Room, Lobby, and Executive Conference room:

Trustee Hadnott made the motion to table; Trustee Hart second the motion.

Discussion: The Board has not had enough time to review the proposals. VA Mitchell asked the Board if they could send their input by Friday, May 20, 2022, on which proposal they want to use for the Village.

Mayor Gardiner asked the presenters to come back later after the Board has had a chance to review the presentations.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Hadnott, Hart, Lynch, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

Approval of Request for Executive Closed Session under Section 2 (c) (1) Personnel with no action to be taken and no reason to reconvene at the end of the meeting:

Trustee Hadnott made the motion to table; Trustee Lynch second the motion.

Discussion: Mayor Gardiner stated the Village Attorney could not be present tonight therefore, he would like to postpone the Closed Session.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Naes: 1 Recues: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Hadnott, Hart, Lynch

Naes: Winston

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Brian D. Mitchell

VA Mitchell addressed the Board with statuses on the audit, budget, and Appropriations Ordinance. **VA Mitchell** states he will be working with **Sikich** on the budget and **Wipfli** for the audit the first week in June. He states the goal is to have the Appropriations Ordinance passed by July and the audit and budget completed by August.

VA Mitchell informed the Board the Village will have a 4th of July parade. Details to follow. Lastly, the Glenwood Police department received a Justice Grant for \$29,000.

Discussion: Trustee Winston had concerns about the Budget process. He was also concerned if the Trustee Board would have an opportunity to have input and set the parameters for the upcoming the Budget.

Trustee Hart expressed her concerns with the Budget as well. She says “we do not need to reinvent the wheel; however, the Internal controls should be better, and the Board should receive the financial statements in a timely manner.

Mayor Gardiner responded, the Board the Department Heads should request their priorities first, then the Board can give their input.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Public Works

Bill Manousopoulos

Consideration of approval of a contract with Metro Cloud for SCADA upgrade

Public Works Director Bill Manousopoulos explained he need for the SCADA upgrade. This proposal upgrades all obsolete modems and converts. He stated the dollar amount is **\$39,750.00**.

Trustee Winston made the motion to approve; **Trustee Lynch** second the motion.

Discussion: Trustee Hadnott asked how the information is gathered? **Bill** answered through their phones. **Trustee Winston** asked was there a reason why **Pub Works Director Bill** did not get other quotes? **Bill** answered we already use **Metro** in our original system, and it would be more secure to let them upgrade what’s already there.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 1

Ayes: Clark, Hadnott, Lynch, Winston

Naes:0

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: Hart

Motion Approved: Yes

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Winston is requesting an Executive Closed session with the Board of Trustees, Clerk and Mayor only at the next Board Meeting. No staff should be in the meeting. Mayor Gardiner answered there can be a Closed Session at the next Board Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Trustee Hadnott stated it is tough going into the Closed Session without knowing the issue. He stated there needs to be a Subject matter. He also stated he would like to be abreast of any issues before calling a Closed Session meeting. **Trustee Winston** stated his concern is a Personnel matter.

Trustee Hadnott asked how is the search going for the open positions? **VA Mitchell** stated there was one candidate for Finance Director and they had an HR Director who they would like to make an offer. **VA Mitchell** also stated it is very difficult to find a viable candidate due to most people request to work from home and is requesting a great deal of money.

Trustee Winston wanted to know what the issue at Glenwoodie regarding Golf carts? **Mayor Gardiner** answered the Village is waiting until the new fiscal year to purchase new golf carts.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

Trustee Lynch moved; **Second by Trustee Hart**

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 5 Naes 0: Recues:0 Absent:1 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Clark, Hart, Hadnott, Lynch, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: Dawson

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

ADJOURNMENT: The May 17, 2022 Board Meeting adjourned @ 9:30pm.



Carolyn D. Williamson, Village Deputy Clerk

