

MAYOR: MARK A. HODGE

The minutes of the regular board meeting of the corporate authorities of the Village of Hopkins Park, Kankakee County Illinois was held on **February 2, 2017**

Village Members

Mayor Mark A. Hodge, **Village Deputy Clerk** Phyllis Goodloe **Treasurer** Kent Nichols, **Trustees**, Louis Barnes, Rosemary Foster, Tonia Thomas, Lonnie Jarrett, Jamol Robinson, Ruthel Teague.

Members Absent or Late

Lonnie Jarrett – Absent

Jamal Robinson - Absent

Bruce Collins - Absent

Prayer

Rev. Louis Barnes

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call & Meeting

The meeting was called to order by **Mayor Mark Hodge** at 6:00 p.m., Four Trustees were present.

A quorum was present.

Approvals & Motions

A motion to approve January 19, 2017 regular board meeting minutes. Motion was made second and carried by a vote of 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 Absent.

A motion to approve Amended Resolution Authorizing Agreement for Contract Police Service. Motion was made second and carried by a vote of 4 Ayes, 1 Nays and 2 Absent.

A motion to approve the Purchase of Siren for Gamble Road. Motion was made second and carried by a vote of 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent.

Motion to Approve Treasurer's Bills Warrants Report. Motion was made, second and carried by a vote of 4Ayes, 0 Nays, and 2 Absent

Mayors Report- Mark A. Hodge**Mayor Hodge discussed:**

- Mayor Discussed the changes made in the amended Agreement for Contract Police Service. The hourly rate was incorrect at \$40.00 it should be \$55.00, this increase would change the weekly hours from 12 to 9. Trustee Thomas asked about a written agreement with local business owner to share in the cost. Mayor explained that they are willing to assist vs. paying for private Security.

- Trustee Barnes voiced concerns over the overall lack of police presents in our community vs. others. Mayor explained how other communities have their own police departments.
- Trustee Barnes also stated our crime rate wasn't bad. Mayor cited the recent crimes in our community; we had 4 murders in a week several breaking and entering including a trustee, and drug trafficking.
- Mayor discussed the Siren summary prior to board voting. Mayor was asked about funding confirming that General Funds would be used.
- Mayor discussed Village discounted cell option for employees that would be placed on the next agenda.
- Mayor had a meeting with our ComEd representatives, the Village is reviewing discounted rates, ComEd plans to upgrade all meters in the area to smart meters. Mayor also provided information on ComEd's new outage phone ap.
- Mayor sited new law regarding Heroin sales that lead to death, seller's can be charged with drug induced homicide.
- Mayor assured the community that our new States Attorney reviews every case from misdemeanors 'to felonies

Deputy Clerks Report- Phyllis Goodloe

- Reminder to Board Member about Treasurers request for Direct Deposit Applications and signing of Economic Interest documents.

Treasurer Report- Kent Nichols

- Kent Nichols – Presented Bills Warrants Report

Attorney Report

James Bartley – No Report

Code Enforcer/Building Inspector

Bruce Collins- Absent

Superintendent of Streets

Jamol Robinson- Absent

Standing Committee Comments & Reports

Trustee Ruthel Teague – No Report

Trustee Louis Barnes – No Report

Trustee Tonia Thomas - No Report

Trustee Lonnie Jarrett - Absent

Trustee Jamol Robinson - Absent

Trustee Rosemary Foster – No Report

Old Business

- No Old Business

New Business

- No New Business

Public Comments, Questions & Announcements

- Question asked about the 9 hours and who would determine hours. Mayor replied; the hours will be scheduled by the Mayor and Sheriff
- Question about Utah group who want to build the detention center, mayor replied there's been no movement.
- Public asked about Siren range and additional Sirens being placed in community, Mayor replied as funds become available one or two Sirens would be added.
- Trustee Thomas informed the public that LRS is an emergency site.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion to Adjourn Meeting at 6:48 PM. Motion was made, second and carried by a vote of 4Ayes, 0 Nays, and 3 Absent (Trustee Foster left meeting prior to public comments)

Mark A. Hodge, Mayor

Phyllis Goodloe, Village Deputy Clerk