

**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 **June 1, 2017**.

**Village Members**

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

**Members Absent or Late**

Mayor Hodge - Absent

Lonnie Jarrett - Absent

**Prayer**

Rev. Barnes

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call & Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by **Trustee- Louis Barnes** at 6:00 p.m., 5 Trustees were present.

A quorum was present.

**Approvals & Motions**

A motion to approve May 18<sup>t</sup>, 2017 regular board meeting minutes. Motion was made second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

A motion to approve Bill Warrants for June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Motion was made second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

A motion to approve Extending Citgo Gas Station Business Hours to 12:00am. Motion was made to table until discussion with Mayor, Owner and Sheriff can be scheduled, second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

**Mayors Report- Mark A. Hodge**

**Mayor Hodge Requested Board Discuss: Citgo Business hours prior to vote.**

- Board discussed that no change in activity, parking lot still full, gambling and/or loitering around gas pumps, along with other unwanted activities on the lot.
- Board expressed concern for residents and guess safety, everyone should be able to go to gas station and not be harassed, or in fear, or witness gambling & loitering
- Board also acknowledged most of the traffic not a result of owner, and that CITGO is also helping to funding the policing agreement.
- Board tabled vote to extend CITGO business hours until 12:00 am until the Mayor returned and a meeting could be scheduled with the owner and sheriff.

**Deputy Clerks Report- Phyllis Goodloe**

- Presented location of land owned by Village as requested from last board meeting. Land is on South 14000 E. Road north of East 2000 S. Road.
- Board discussed with Attorney requirements to file tax exempt status for land. Land must be for public use (i.e. open/green space)
- Board asked for details about when the land was purchased

**Treasurer Report- Kent Nichols**

- Presented June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 bill warrants: treasurer has to confirm one item on bill warrant debit card for Quickship.
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**Attorney Report - James Bartley**

Attorney discussed the difference between the Ordinance to purchase the land behind Village Hall, and the Real Estate Purchase Agreement. To approve the purchase of land the Village has to pass an ordinance, once passed a contract is executed between the seller and buyer to complete the purchaser agreement.

**Code Enforcer/Building Inspector**

**Bruce Collins- Absent**

**Standing Committee Comments & Reports**

**Trustee Ruthel Teague – No Report**

**Trustee Louis Barnes –**

- Questioned the pile of stones behind Village Hall, it was explained that those are road supplies, for the Road Commissioner and/or Village, and also the reason why the Village is considering leasing or selling half of the land purchased to the Road Commissioner.
- Expressed concern over a partnership with the Road Commissioner, stating partnerships are not always a good idea.

**Trustee Tonia Thomas –**

- Announced that FREE summer meals will be provided to children under the age of 18 at Lorenzo R. Smith School

**Trustee Lonnie Jarrett – No Report-Absent**

**Trustee Rosemary Foster – No Report**

**Old Business**

- No Old Business

**New Business**

- No New Business

**Public Comments, Questions & Announcements**

- Board was asked why the Village is paying for garbage pick at the present location when it a shared space.
- Board was asked it there would be an appraisal for land being purchased.
- Board was asked about the tires behind the Village, response waiting on EPA funding to have tires picked up also, requested procedures to correctly stack to prevent and/or reduce insect breeding.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 6:39 PM. Motion was made, second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 10 Absent

**Mark A. Hodge, Mayor**

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Phyllis Goodloe, Village Deputy Clerk