

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 15, 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

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 June 1st, 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 15th, 2017. Motion was made second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

A motion to approve Extending Citgo's Business Hours to 12:00 am on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Motion was made, second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

A motion to appoint Tomika Talley as Assistant Treasurer. Motion was made second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

A motion to approve Tomika Talley access to view all bank accounts, tabling having signature authority with 90 day probation period prior to vote. Motion was made second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

Mayor's Report- Mark A. Hodge**Mayor Hodge**

- Mayor discussed security issues at CITGO and concerns regarding the contract with Kankakee Sheriff, presenting a possibility of using Delta Force for local Security.
- Mayor discussed the 3000 plus jobs available in Kankakee County, and having a Jobs Fair in Hopkins Park for residents to apply and receive additional information about employment.
- Economic Alliance of Kankakee County has offered to assist with Jobs Fair. Mayor suggested having transportation, incentives and refreshments available for the Fair.
- Mayor asked board to consider concessions, and review information (and tour site) regarding easement for resident Felton on Central where the lift station resides.

- Mayor informed the board that an additional computer would be purchased for approx. \$200-\$300 for the Assistant Treasurer.
- Mayor confirmed that EPA has agreed to pick up tires behind Village Hall by the end of July. Once the removal is complete Mayor suggested that a fence, gate and signage be posted regarding illegal to dump tires, which also carries a fine for anyone caught dumping tires.

Deputy Clerks Report- Phyllis Goodloe

- Re-capped requirements that were presented at the New Trustee training, and provided the trustees with Village of Hopkins Park e-mail addresses, business cards and confirmed that Trustees were listed on the Village web-site, update needed for newly appointed Trustee Baines.

Treasurer Report- Kent Nichols

- Treasurer discussed the role of Treasurer vs. Assistant Treasurer; explaining that the Treasurers hours would reduce after 30 day training period saving the Village money in the long run. 30 days of training from 8:00 to 2:30, then cut to 4 hours per day.
- Treasurer discussed the need for Assistant to have access to banking information.

Attorney Report - James Bartley

- Attorney wants the 2018 Appropriation Ordinance on the agenda for the next board meeting. The Appropriation Ordinance must be filed by the last Tuesday in July.
- Attorney acknowledged that he had the signed Land Purchase Ordinance for the property behind Village Hall he could now finalize the purchase contract with the sellers attorney.

**Code Enforcer/Building Inspector
Bruce Collins- Absent****Standing Committee Comments & Reports****Trustee Ruthel Teague – No Report****Trustee Louis Barnes – No Report****Trustee Tonia Thomas –**

- Trustee and other Board Members voiced concern over the Village being the middle man in the security for CITGO and SS Friendly Market, it was suggested that business owners establish contracts directly with security agencies.
- Trustee Thomas presented the Calendar of Events for Juneteenth 2017, encouraging the community to get involved and attend some of the scheduled events.

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

- Question regarding bill payment at the temporary site (Church of the Cross) for garbage and utilities. Mayor replied church pays a flat rate of \$280.00 per month for utilities.
- Questions regarding the pile of tires Mayor explained the reply from the EPA.
- Board was informed that the EPA has identified a site on 3000 S. Rd that may be contaminated with lead.

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

Phyllis Goodloe, Village Deputy Clerk