

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 **March 1, 2018**

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

Tonia Thomas - Late

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., 5 Trustees and Mayor were present.

A quorum was present.

Approvals & Motions

A motion to approve February 15, 2018 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 March 1, 2018, motion was made second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent.

Presentation:

Pledge for Life Partnership Youth Advisory Council; Presented Tobacco 21, Raise the age, Raise a tobacco free generation. Goal to have Illinois Municipalities pass ordinances rising the age to 21 for purchase of tobacco. Sellers or merchants would be required to card and would be find if they didn't comply with ordinance.

Mayor's Report- Mark A. Hodge

Mayor Hodge Discussed:

Dog Clinic March 10th from 10:00-2:00, Church of the Cross.

March 9th Opioid Epidemic Program hosted by Kankakee Coroner.

Hospice Dinner March 15th.

Kankakee Workforce Services located 450 N Kinzie, host several career training programs throughout the month.

Tickets still available (\$30.00) for National Association of Black Veterans (NABVET) Banquet Quality Inn, March 17, 2018.

Resolution needed for Hopkins Park regarding Nature Conservancy land purchases. Momence and Kankakee have passed resolutions.

Mayor plans on putting information in the next newsletter, outlining new requirements for mobile homes and getting permits before starting spring renovation and building projects.

Flooding at 3 way stop (15000 & Central), pictures taken and sent to Kankakee County Engineers.

Mayor advised the board to review the \$1132.00 salary for the Mayor's Office. Needs updating 6 months prior to election, requirements and rate of pay should be based on full-time vs part-time Mayor.

Mayor working with non-profit organizations, on discount to purchase new meters.

Two employees have found better opportunities.

Treasurer to adjust hours to allow for new position.

Deputy Clerks Report- Phyllis Goodloe

No Report.

Treasurer Report- Kent Nichols -

Treasurer reported on \$15,000.00 payment remains for bond which is due January 2019.

Board questioned gas bill for \$1451.97, believed to be amount of two bills.

Board wants a report on the water revenue (income) vs the expenses (bills)

Attorney Report

James Bartley –

Attorney to review sample ordinances provided by Pledge for Life Youth Advisory Council and prepare Village of Hopkins Park Tobacco Ordinance.

Code Enforcer/Building Inspector

Bruce Collins –

Code Enforcer discussed building permits and requirements. Asked if a check list of requirements are available and suggested they be put on the web-site.

Standing Committee Comments & Reports

Trustee Thomas

- Thanked the community for supporting and participating in the Lorenzo R. Smith Black History Program. All profiles will be posted.

Trustee Barnes

- Asked for update on Village Hall vs. Pole Barn option. Mayor replied, still waiting for FEIN lock to be removed, and will apply for grant for renovation.
- "Where's the Road Commissioner"? Mayor replied, he saw crew out today 3/1/2018

Trustee Teague

- Inquired about Spring Community Clean-Up for 2018 and youth workers.

Old Business

New Business

Public Comments, Questions & Announcements

Meeting Adjourned

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 7:15 PM. Motion was made, second and carried by a vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, and 1 Absent

Mark A. Hodge, Mayor

Phyllis Goodloe, Deputy Village Clerk