

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT  
AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF STOCKTON  
JO DAVIESS COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
December 13, 2022**

***Call to Order:***

Village Clerk Hatley called the meeting to order on December 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. and did roll call.

***Members in Attendance:***

Trustees present: Linda Gonnerman, Terry McGovern, Billie Eisfeller, Mitch Kappes, Dan Kunz, Carol Rowe

Staff present: Stefanie Hatley, Steve Rice, Amy Haas, Leslie Hawley, Rena Eden, Kevin Stewart

Staff present via zoom: Gayle Lingle, Village Attorney Terry Kurt

Clerk Hatley stated that Village President Rodney Brandt passed away on December 5, 2022. He was a great asset to the Village of Stockton and will be missed by everyone. The board is now required to select an acting President to replace President Brandt.

Clerk Hatley asked the board trustees to please say a few words if they would be interested in filling the open Village President position until the election in 2025. Trustee Mitch Kappes and Trustee Dan Kunz both stated they would be interested. A vote was taken and a motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Kappes to approve Daniel E. Kunz as acting Village President. Voting aye: McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz. Motion carried.

Clerk Hatley swore Daniel E. Kunz in as acting president.

***Approval of Agenda:***

A motion was made by Rowe and seconded by McGovern to approve the agenda. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

***Approval of Minutes:***

President Kunz asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular board meeting on November 7, 2022. Kappes moved and Eisfeller seconded to approve the minutes as presented. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

***Treasurers Reports:***

President Kunz asked for approval of the Treasurers Report as submitted by Treasurer Rena Eden. A motion was made by McGovern and seconded by Kappes to approve the Treasurers report as submitted. Voting aye: Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes. Motion carried.

***Accounts Payable:***

President Kunz asked for approval of the accounts payable claims, List B and additional bills. Clerk Hatley asked permission to include three additional invoices totaling \$2,928.68. A motion

was made by Gonnerman and seconded by McGovern to authorize the accounts payable claims, List B and additional bills. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller. Motion carried.

***Police:***

A motion was made by Eisfeller and seconded by Kappes to approve the Police Report for the month as submitted by Chief Stewart. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

***Water & Sewer:***

A motion was made by McGovern and seconded by Kappes to approve the Water Report as submitted by Steve Rice and the Sewer Report as submitted by Aaron Sullivan for the month. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

***Street:***

A motion was made by Eisfeller and seconded by Kappes to approve the Street Department Activity Report for the month as submitted by Steve Rice. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

***Public Comments:*** None

***Status Reports:*** None

***Water, Sewer & Garbage:***

Trustee Gonnerman stated that we received the IEPA Loan 17-5555 WWTF Phase 1 Loan Request #20 in the amount of \$297,709.15 including MSA Construction Observation Invoice #19, MSA RPR Services Invoice #18, Larson & Larson Pay Application #17, and CFPD, Inc. Loan Administration Services #5. A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Kappes to approve the Loan Request #20 in the amount of \$297,709.15. Voting aye: Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Motion carried.

Trustee Gonnerman stated that we received the water operating certificate for Steve Rice. A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by McGovern to appoint Steve Rice as Water Superintendent. Voting aye: McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Kunz to approve a \$600 stipend to Steve Rice for receiving the Class D Water Operating Certificate. Voting aye: Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Eisfeller to approve a pay increase as discussed for Steve Rice. This pay increase is for receiving the Class C Water Operating Certificate. Voting aye: Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe. Motion carried.

***Economic Development:***

***Resolution No. 22-12 – A Resolution of the Village of Stockton, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, Declaring Surplus from the Special Tax Allocation Fund of the Route 20/Downtown Tax Increment Redevelopment Project Area***

Gonnerman moved and Rowe seconded to adopt Resolution No. 22-12 declaring a TIF Surplus of \$25,000 to be paid back to the taxing bodies in the same proportion as the distribution of real estate property taxes. Voting aye: Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Eisfeller and seconded by Gonnerman to approve the 2022 TIF Disbursement payments in the amount of \$120,654.00 per the TIF breakdown handed out to the board. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Eisfeller and seconded by McGovern to approve the 2022 BDD Disbursement payment in the amount of \$7,892.00 per the BDD breakdown handed out to the board. Voting aye: Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman. Motion carried.

***Police:*** No Report

***Streets, Sidewalks, Forestry, Building & Grounds:*** No Report

***Finance & Purchasing:***

A motion was made by McGovern and seconded by Eisfeller to approve the quote from Sand Prairie in the amount of \$2,564.84 in non-recurring charges and \$1,524.96 in yearly charges for a Server & Server Licensing and Email Migration & Support. Voting aye: McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz. Motion carried.

***Personnel:***

A motion was made by Eisfeller and seconded by Gonnerman to approve the annual employee appreciation compensation of \$250 for each employee totaling \$5,000 to be paid on their next paycheck. Voting aye: Rowe, Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern. Motion carried.

***Old Business:*** None

***New Business:***

***Zoning Board***

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Gonnerman to reappoint Gael Brewbaker to the Zoning Board of Appeals for another five-year term ending in 2027. Voting aye: Kappes, Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe. Motion carried.

***Ordinance No. 738 – An Ordinance for the Levy & Assessment of Taxes***

President Kunz stated the board members each received an explanation sheet and copy of Ordinance No. 738 entitled, “An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2022 and ending April 30, 2023”. A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by McGovern to pass Ordinance No. 738 Tax Levy from May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023. Voting aye: Eisfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes. Motion carried

***Resolution No. 22-13- Executive Minutes for Public Inspection***

A motion was made by Gonnerman and seconded by Eidfeller to adopt Resolution No. 22-13 to not release the executive minutes for 2022. Voting aye: Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eidfeller. Motion carried.

***2023 Village Board Meeting dates:***

Clerk Hatley noted everyone received a list of the 2023 Village Board meeting dates which are to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in their packet. Kappes moved and McGovern seconded to approve the 2023 meeting dates. All members voting aye. Motion carried

***2023 Liquor License Renewals:***

Clerk Hatley reported that all the current liquor license holders have submitted their checks and proof of dram shop for renewal of their licenses for 2023. There are eleven license holders; Casey's Retail Co., The Corner Tap, The Bottle Shed, Sullivan's, Shell Express Lanes, The Red Knight, Stockton Travel Center, JJ & Freddie's, Mud Run Beer Co., Cox Enterprises, LLC, and Whiskers & Waggs, Inc. A motion was made by Kappes and seconded by Gonnerman to approve the 2023 liquor license renewals. Voting aye: McGovern, Rowe, Kappes, Eidfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz. Motion carried.

***Resolution No. 22-14 – A Resolution of the Village of Stockton, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, to Induce the Redevelopment of Certain Property within Route 20/Downtown Redevelopment Project Area (124 S. Main Street)***

President Kunz noted we received a TIF request from Mud Run Beer Co. to help with installing a new prep kitchen. Gonnerman moved and Kappes seconded to pass Resolution No. 22-14 to enter into a TIF Inducement agreement with Mud Run Beer Co. Voting aye: Rowe, Kappes, Eidfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz. Abstain: McGovern. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kunz and seconded by Kappes to approve Gayle Lingle to be added as a signer to all Village bank accounts. Voting aye: Kappes, Eidfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kappes and seconded by McGovern to approve a \$600 stipend to Brice Doubler for receiving the Class 4 Wastewater Treatment Works Operator Certificate. Voting aye: Eidfeller, Gonnerman, Kunz, McGovern, Rowe, Kappes. Motion carried.

Clerk Hatley stated that the Village has received a couple quotes for the Property/Liability Insurance that is set to expire at the end of 2022. After comparing quotes the best option for the Village is Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust (ICRMT). A motion was made by Kappes and seconded by Gonnerman to approve the quote in the amount of \$58,645.00 from ICRMT for Property/Liability Coverage for the 2023 calendar year.

***Announcements:*** Clerk Hatley stated that the paperwork for anyone running for Village Trustee can still be turned in until 5:00 P.M. on Monday, December 19, 2022.

***Adjournment:***

A motion was made by Kappes and seconded by Eisfeller that the meeting be adjourned at 7:52 p.m. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

APPROVED           *Daniel E. Kung*          

ATTEST           *Stephanie Hatley*          

