

Village of Holiday Hills Board Meeting Minutes for August 17, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Acting President Giles called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Members present: Trustees Terri Beaudoin, Jeff Giles, Tammy Gillcrist, Lisa Maier, Rich Young

Board Members absent: Trustee Cheryl Thompson

Staff Present: Clerk Lesley Tennessen, Clerk's Aide Maura Kirchner, Police Chief Jeff Caldwell, Police Sargeant William Copp, Building Inspector Erik Pratt

Also present: Village Attorney Jennifer Gibson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Acting President Jeff Giles)

Village Stickers due August 31, 2022

President Giles reminded everyone that the vehicle stickers are due on August 31st. Only about half of residents have purchased so far.

Golf Cart Rules

President Giles reminded everyone that the rules are given to each resident applying for a sticker. In addition, those rules are posted on bulletin board at Village Hall and on the Residents Facebook page. Everyone must adhere to the rules or you will be ticketed. Golf Cart inspections will take place Aug 17, 24 and 31.

Building Permits

The Building Inspector is trying to follow up on all open permits. Fines will be double permit fee for anyone not obtaining a permit for a project (that needs a permit). All permits should be placed in a front window.

Playground updates and discussion

President Giles discussed the status. Ultimately, the homeowner wanted to donate the land for the playground. There were mortgage issues. Became a bad process for a good idea. President Giles does not want to throw any more money at this project. No company will rebuild with blueprints. The equipment will be scrapped, with no more cost. The Village Attorney spoke on mortgage clause pertaining to the acceleration of payment. This forces the mortgage holder to do immediate payoff and could cause harm to the homeowner. She also spoke on the potential extensive costs of eminent domain. This would cost the Village a lot of money with litigation. It is too costly to put the homeowner in that position. In addition, the equipment is in disrepair and an insurance liability. The Attorney recommended dropping the eminent domain suit. She then asked for a motion to drop eminent domain. She will handle with the courts as this case was just continued for 30 days.

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Motion to authorize dismissal of the eminent domain case for playground property

Motion: Young

Second: Maier

Ayes: Beaudoin, Gillcrist, Giles, Maier, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Thompson

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Motion to remove playground equipment

President Giles asked for a motion to remove and dispose of playground equipment

Motion: Young

Second: Gillcrist

Ayes: Beaudoin, Gillcrist, Giles, Maier, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Thompson

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Sewer Updates

President Giles spoke about the construction. No real updates have been given from Northern Moraine. He does know that Sunset Drive will be closed entirely to thru traffic in the near future but no date has been given. The alternate route to access our village will be through Le Villa Vaupell. The gate at the end of Hyde Park will be opened and some paving done. President Giles is requesting that the paving be more of permanent nature, rather than just a temporary covering. Hyde Park and Northeast Shore Drive are narrow roads. This will be uncomfortable and an inconvenience for everyone. We just have to work thru this. Each resident on Sunset who is contemplating a different location for their lateral needs to contact a plumber very soon. Then contact Northern Moraine (NMWRD) to ask them to remark your property. The plumber will assist the homeowner in the relocation process. There is no estimate as to when Sunset will close and how long Sunset will remain closed. NMWRD is not forthcoming with the details.

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Clerk's Report (Lesley Tennessen)

Approve minutes for 07/20/2022 Board Meeting

Clerk Tennessen asked for a motion

Motion: Young

Second: Beaudoin

Ayes: Beaudoin, Gillcrist, Giles, Maier, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Thompson

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Approve minutes for 08/03/2022 Special Board Meeting

Clerk Tennessen asked for a motion

Motion: Gillcrist

Second: Maier

Ayes: Beaudoin, Gillcrist, Giles, Maier, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Thompson

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Treasurer's Report (Jennifer Haisma)

Approve financial report

President Giles asked for a motion

Motion: Young

Second: Maier

Ayes: Beaudoin, Gillcrist, Giles, Maier, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Thompson

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Approve warrant

President Giles asked for a motion

Motion: Gillcrist

Second: Maier

Ayes: Beaudoin, Gillcrist, Giles, Maier, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Thompson

Abstain: none

Motion carried

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Building Inspector's Report (Erik Pratt)

No report
Absent

Village Maintenance Report (vacant)

President Giles reported that the gas company may request entry to your residence to move the gas meter to the exterior of the residence.
There is no Director of Maintenance and this position needs to be filled.

Police Department Report (Chief Jeff Caldwell)

Chief Caldwell has seen the requests on speeding. He is trying to address the issue but it is difficult with just a part time staff. There are 9 officers on force and all work another job. The department is limited to the number of hours that can be worked by state law. Again, the Chief asked that residents report the issues and file a complaint.

Standing Committees

Buildings and Grounds (Jeffrey Giles)

No report

Community Relations (Teresa Beaudoin)

No report

Environmental (Lisa Maier)

Trustee Maier reported that the Clarke contract is being renewed in September. This is an automatic renewal. She will begin discussion with Clarke on the 2024 contract soon with hopes of removing the spray portion and keep only the larvicide portion. Trustee Maier would like to have feedback. It is difficult to monitor and gauge the hatch and then the resultant 'crop' of mosquitos. Very inexact science.

Finance (Cheryl Thompson)

Absent
No report

Planning and Development (Rich Young)

No report

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Village Codes (Tammy Gillcrist)

Trustee Gillcrist spoke on the results of the first couple of weeks of the new contract. Yes, there were bumpy spots and those have gotten better. There is much improvement. Lakeshore Representative Steve Ramos was in attendance. He addressed some of the complaints and spoke of issues that he knows of. They are trying to be very responsive and reduce frustrations.

Old Business

Trustee Young showed invoice (paid) and repair estimates on existing (near Village Hall) playground equipment. These were from 2019. The estimated cost at that time was approximately \$2100 with everything. Trustees bantered about what was good to have versus 'extras'. Trustee Young is going to contact the playground company (Rainbow) and get an inspection.

President Giles spoke on the snow plow contract and road maintenance. There will be no more road maintenance at this time. New bids for snow plow should be obtained by next meeting, September 21, 2022.

New Business

Trustee Gillcrist brought forward an email sent by part time collector, Destiny Suberla about obtaining a card reader for credit card payments. This would be in conjunction with epay on the website. Nothing decided and nothing discussed.

Executive Session(if needed)

None

Public Comment

A resident spoke and said that the complaints on trash removal were all resolved. Wants smaller containers. Mr Ramos replied that none are available. You can call office and get permission to use your own container at your risk of damage to that container.

A resident asked why we are paying taxes to Nunda Township and not getting them to repair roads and snowplow. Seems like a waste of taxpayer money. President Giles replied that we will be asking Nunda to bid on new contract.

Numerous residents complained about street sweeping, dirt, construction truck speeding and no cleanup. Also, about road condition deterioration and what will be done to put roads back to original condition.

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Another resident spoke about the dewatering and house settling problems. What about the sinkholes that are developing on his property and elsewhere and what will happen when rain returns and water again returns. How is the drainage going to work.

A resident asked if Northern Moraine was working with the Corps of Engineers to see that everything is being done correctly. Perhaps the Village should be doublechecking on this.

A resident asked if all the dates stated in the contract were still correct and valid. This resident gave his contact information to President Giles.

A resident thanked Trustee Maier for her work with Clarke Mosquito.

A resident questioned the Village Attorney if her firm has a conflict of interest in representing the Village since her firm (McArdle) worked with Northern Moraine. She replied that was long before her time and nothing is in conflict at this time.

A note of condolence from Le Villa Vaupell was read regarding the passing of past President Lou French.

A resident brought up the fact that municipalities have e-pay for credit/debit and Village should look further into that for the card reader.

A resident asked where the dedication plaque for the Village Hall playground was. No one has seen this plaque for quite some time.

A resident questioned the warrant about roofing repairs and dollar amounts. President Giles reviewed the warrant and explained the entries.

A resident had questions on the numbers of hours and numbers of officers employed by village. Where are the officers, what is admin time and various other questions.

Kelly Wegner, District County Rep, spoke and addressed social welfare issues and mental health. There are communities collaborating. Chief is working on those issues. Everything costs money. All officers are Critical Issue Trained. Ms Wegner will speak with Chief and see what can be done to get more money for programs and equipment.

A resident questioned why all residents are not paying for vehicle stickers. This resident also questioned the correctness of franchise taxes and how can we be assured that the Village is getting all that is owed. Clerk Tennessen explained the process and that auditors at corporation make sure of correctness.

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Adjournment

President Giles asked for a motion to adjourn

Motion: Giles

Second: Young

Ayes: Beaudoin, Gillcrist, Giles, Maier, Young

Nays: none

Absent: Thompson

Abstain: none

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

Next Board Meeting: Sept 21, 2022

Submitted by Lesley Tennessen, Village Clerk _____