

**VILLAGE OF CARPENTERSVILLE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
October 20, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present for roll call were Trustees Garcia, Malone, O’Sullivan, Frost, and Vela, and President Skillman. Also present were Village Manager Johnson, Attorney Stewart, and Village Clerk Mastera. Trustee Andresen was absent this evening.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Skillman.

**PROCLAMATIONS, CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS, AND AWARDS** – None.  
**APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AND ADMINISTRATION OF OATH** – None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** –

President Skillman announced that Main Street Hill is open. He said there may be a few minor changes needed when coming down the hill like signage or striping.

**Chris Kious (Kane County Board Member)**

Mr. Kious congratulated the Village on Main Street Hill’s opening as he drove on it earlier today. He said there is a period for public comment on the five-year solid waste plan for the county, and there also is a period of public comment for the 50-year public transportation plan. Trustee Garcia asked a question regarding Longmeadow Parkway and Mr. Kious provided a few clarifications on the project, including the toll collection.

**CONSENT AGENDA** –

*President Skillman asked if any Board Member wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for further review and discussion. Trustee Garcia asked that Item C be removed.*

*Motion to pass the Consent agenda items of A,B, and D by Trustee Frost, seconded by Trustee O’Sullivan.*

- A. Approval of Bills
  - Fiscal Year 2020 Bills List and Payroll Totaling: \$1,581,128.71
- B. A Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Rock Salt for the Purpose of Snow and Ice Control from Cargill Salt – Road Safety, Inc., through the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Program at a Price of \$44.59 per Ton for Non-Treated Salt and \$72.59 per Ton for Treated Salt
- ~~C. A Resolution to Approve the Purchase of an Ambulance from Foster Coach Sales, Inc. in the Amount of \$272,150~~
- D. A Resolution Approving Entry into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Kane County for Receipt of CARES Act Funding

**Vote on Motion:**

- 6 – ayes (Garcia, Malone, O’Sullivan, Frost, Vela, and Skillman)
- 0 – nay
- 1 – absent (Andresen)

**Motion passed, approved by omnibus vote.**

**REPORTS OF THE MANAGER AND STAFF –**

**Administration Update - Manager Johnson**

- The Census count officially ended October 15, 2020, after a Supreme Court ruling. He thanked all the different groups, including the County, to try and get a good and accurate count within the Village since it affects funding.
- The CARES Act intergovernmental agreement with the County was approved tonight so that funding could be disbursed in the near future. Additionally, he will be looking at FEMA grants for anything that may not have been reimbursable under the CARES Act.
- A federal matching grant was recently approved for work on L.W. Besinger Drive.
- He provided an update on COVID-19. A recent and significant change due to rising numbers is further restrictions on restaurants and a ban on indoor dining.
- There will be Audit & Finance Commission meetings next Monday and Tuesday evening at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the 2021 budget.

President Skillman and Manager Johnson discussed the possibility of Audit & Finance meetings and possibly future board meetings going back to a virtual format, which is still being allowed under the current Governor’s orders. They decided to proceed forward with it being virtual. Manager Johnson noted that one person as outlined by statute has to be physically present in person at Village Hall.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS** –

Trustee O’Sullivan recused himself from Item A of New Business as it involves his employer and exited the Board Room at 7:15 p.m.

- A. A Resolution Approving Put Option Agreement between Otto Engineering, Inc. and the Village of Carpentersville

*Motion to approve Item A. by Trustee Frost, seconded by Trustee Garcia.*

Manager Johnson provided updates on how this agreement was formed, from the first phase of studies to subsequent meetings with Mr. Roeser from Otto Engineering. He said Mr. Roeser said that if he completed the purchase it would be Mr. Roeser’s intention to have the building demolished by the end of this year. Manager Johnson explained that staff believed this to be the best option to see development activity in the short-term future rather than the lawsuit the Village had ongoing with the land owner.

**Vote on Motion:**

5 – ayes (Garcia, Malone, Frost, Vela, and Skillman)  
0 – nay  
2 – absent (Andresen and O’Sullivan)

**Motion passed.**

Trustee O’Sullivan reentered the Board Room at 7:30 p.m.

A Resolution to Approve the Purchase of an Ambulance from Foster Coach Sales, Inc. in the Amount of \$272,150

*Motion to approve Item C (originally from the Consent Agenda) by Trustee Frost, seconded by Trustee Malone.*

Trustee Garcia said he did not have a problem with the purchase of a new ambulance, but he had questions about how a used ambulance only has a \$2,500 value and why the Village wouldn’t want it as a backup. Fire Chief Schilling explained how much it would cost to fix the motor, and that the cot loading system is being transferred from the old ambulance to the new one. Trustee Garcia also asked about the warranty for the new ambulance, and Chief Schilling provided some details. In a response to a question from Trustee Frost, Chief Schilling explained that there is a lot of money from the federal government to purchase ambulances, which then floods the market with used ambulances, lowering their value.

**Vote on Motion:**

6 – ayes (Garcia, Malone, O’Sullivan, Frost, Vela, and Skillman)  
0 – nay  
1 – absent (Andresen)

**Motion passed.**

**TRUSTEE AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Trustee Vela had no report.**

**Trustee Frost had the following report:**

- He thanked Public Works staff for their work on the Route 31 & Huntley Project.
- He said it’s Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and sends his thoughts out to anyone who has had to deal with that issue.

**Trustee O’Sullivan had no report.**

**Trustee Garcia had the following report:**

- He’s been working with Manager Johnson and Director Mason on trying to bring some businesses to town, although he can’t say yet who they are. He said he is a little wary with the Governor’s new COVID-19 regulations as a potential one is a restaurant.

**Trustee Malone had no report.**

**President Skillman had the following report:**

- With the new COVID-19 regulations, he reminded people to continue to support local businesses, as he said some of them may not make it through this time with the winter weather. He also asked staff to think of ideas and to reach out to the businesses as to how the Village can help them.
- He said developers are saying now is the time to build so that hopefully things can be open when we get through this COVID-19 time. He said we are lucky we have the

[Trustee Garcia excused himself and left the room at 7:39 p.m. He returned at 7:41 p.m.]

Manager Johnson said a business doing takeout shared the request that people order directly from the establishment instead of using the food-ordering apps. He reiterated that any business is still good for them, though.

**CLOSED SESSION** – None.

**DISCUSSION CONCERNING OTHER VILLAGE BUSINESS** –

- Trustee Malone inquired about the status of the new quint-ladder truck. Chief Schilling said the full production on ours started about three weeks ago after waiting in queue. He said once a week he gets updates with some photographs that he'll give to Manager Johnson to share with the Board.
- Trustee Garcia said a few weeks ago Trustee Vela asked about secret policies that had happened, and he wanted to know more about them. Trustee Vela said she will discuss that when ready.

**ADJOURNMENT**

As there was no further business, Trustee O'Sullivan motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Frost. Voice vote was unanimous, all six members present voted aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kelly Mastera*

Kelly Mastera, Village Clerk