REGULAR MEETING TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD

February 20, 2023

Village Pro-Tempore Sherena Smith called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, February 20, 2023 at the Tremont Community Center.

Present: Village President Pro-Tempore Smith, Trustees Replogle, Zuercher, Harding, Scranton,

Getz **Absent:**

Village Clerk: David Lucas Attorney: Michael Seghetti

Police Chief: Rob Siwak

Village Administrator: Jeff Hinman Village Engineer: Eric Hansen

Guests: Deb McBea

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of February 6, 2023 and Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the minutes for the Residential Waste Contract Public hearing of February 13, 2023 and Trustee Replogle seconded.

AYES: Zuercher, Harding, Smith, Replogle

NAYS: None Motion carried. Pass - Scranton

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers and budget items incurred since February 6, 2023, and Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

Trustee Harding spoke with Rick Otey about roof repair at the museum in the Village of Tremont and there will need to be some preparations to the building before repairs can be done.

A new vacuum will be purchased soon for the Village Hall.

Trustee Scranton made a motion to transfer \$17,271.21 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations Checking to cover bills and payroll. Trustee Zuercher seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None Motion carried.

The Tremont Betterment Association is accepting applications for projects. The Village board is planning to discuss applying for funds devoted to park upgrades for City Park on the North side of Route 9. Applications need to be submitted by March 15, 2023.

Jeff Hinman: The Village board received the yearly dues form for Tremont Commerce Association, which is a \$50 annual membership.

Jeff Hinman and the board discussed IDOT communication as it pertains to the Route 9 construction project.

Public Comments: Deb Metroff - There will be no surcharges from X waste if we signed a contract with X waste. The Village has to pass an ordinance to sign a contract.

What happens to the resident if they just don't pay their garbage bill? With X Waste, if residents don't pay, they discontinue service. X waste will contact the residents and it would also be an ordinance violation.

The Trustees and Deb Metroff discussed some topics concerning X Waste and their ability to service the Village of Tremont.

There would be early morning pick up, 4-5 am for downtown areas.

Village Tech - We don't have a service contract with Mavidea Technology Group, who bought Haas IT in Tremont. We have not moved with the email domain due to costs. It may be worth obtaining other bids to see what the Village stands for.

Christenberry came out to the Village to look at the phone system and it seems, no matter what company we go with, it will be expensive to upgrade the phone system in the Village Hall.

The board compared the details on the different service contracts for garbage proposals and are researching how many residents different companies are currently servicing.

The main topics of discussion include pricing, source of billing - who will be collecting the bill, the village or the company?

Tremont Comprehensive plan action planning retreat will be held sometime in the Fall of 2023.

TAPD new building update - Communication issues have slowed progress, TAPD will continue to discuss the new building.

The Village board discussed the rezoning of the Tremont Co-Op Grain property.

Trustee Zuercher made a motion to pass Ordinance 23-105, "Ordinance amending Title V Chapter 52, Section 52.055 (Water Rates)" and Trustee Scranton seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None Motion carried.

There was a change in language on the Water & Sewer rate ordinance.

The Village board discussed the current liquor code and are planning on updating the code to modify the hours that businesses in Tremont can sell liquor.

Franklin street watermain construction contract

- Walker excavating has done work for the Village of Tremont in the past and the Village is looking to sign a contract with Walker excavating to do repair work

Trustee Replogle made a motion to undergo a contract with Walker Excavating for Franklin St Watermain Construction. Trustee Scranton seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

Adjourn at 8:28 pm

David A. Lucas Village Clerk Sherena Smith Village Board President Pro-Tempore