

**REGULAR MEETING
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD
November 2, 2015**

President Todd Bong called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, November 2, 2015, at the Tremont Village Hall.

Present: President Bong, Trustees Scott, Replogle, Zuercher, Harding, Scranton, Getz

Absent: None

Village Clerk: J. Madsen

Police Chief: M. Dodwell

Attorney: R. Wherry

Guests: Capt. Nate Troyer, Betty King, Dolores Scalf, Mary Ann Vance, Steve Lawrence

Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

Trustee Replogle moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of October 19, 2015, and Zuercher seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None

Motion carried.

BILLS

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve all bills incurred since October 19, and Getz seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Replogle moved to approve President Bong's appointment of Zach Balsimo to fill the Zoning Board open seat, and Scranton seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Replogle also informed the Board that the employee Christmas Party will be held December 4 at the Knights of Columbus in Morton.

Trustee Harding moved to transfer \$17,750.71 from General Savings to Police Operations Checking to cover bills and payroll. Scranton seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustees each received a copy of the *Annual Financial Report* from the auditors for review. The auditors will attend the November 16 regular board meeting. President Bong, in accordance, expects to see monthly listings of overdue water bills, account balances, and building permits issued.

Trustee Scranton reported that the Madison Street water main project is progressing on schedule. He would also like a review of the language in the water and sewer rate increase ordinance.

Trustee Getz will look into striping plan for Sampson Street to facilitate parking.

Trustee Scranton moved to approve the bid by U.C.M. of \$33,489.88 for the Hannibal Street asphalt project, and Replogle seconded. (Estimated cost was \$37,000).

AYES: All NAYS: None PASS: Getz Motion carried.

Following a short presentation by Betty King and Dolores Scalf, Trustee Scranton moved to donate \$335.36 to the Tremont Garden Club for Christmas decorations for 13 pots displayed in the downtown area. Replogle seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

Steve Lawrence, of *American Marketing & Publishing*, was present to discuss the possibility of the Village using their “text marketing” program. No action was taken at this time, as trustees were urged to consider the plan.

Police Chief Mike Dodwell and Captain Nate Troyer submitted the name of Josh McKinley to fill Travis Cowley’s position as full-time police officer. Dodwell informed the Board of the interviewing process and some personal background for McKinley.

Trustee Scott moved to hire Josh McKinley as a full time police officer at a rate of \$19.00 per hour with the standard benefit package which includes health insurance and pension. Replogle seconded.

AYES: All NAYS: None Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn.
Adjourn at 8:23 PM.

Gerald B. Madsen
Village Clerk

Todd R. Bong
President