

**REGULAR MEETING
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD
July 1, 2024**

Village President Todd Bong called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, July 1, 2024, at the Tremont Village Hall.

Present: Village President Todd Bong, Trustees Zuercher, Harding, Scranton, Getz, Hinman
Absent: Smith

Village Clerk: Jena Alig

Village Attorney: Michael Seghetti
Police Chief: Rob Siwak
Village Engineer: Eric Hansen

Guests: Steve Runyon, Wes Berchtold

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Hinman moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of June 17, 2024, and Trustee Scranton seconded.

AYES: Zuercher, Harding, Scranton, Hinman

PASSED: Getz

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the closed session minutes for the meeting of June 17, 2024, and Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: Zuercher, Harding, Scranton, Hinman

PASSED: Getz

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers, and budget items incurred since June 17, 2024, and Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Scranton made a motion to transfer \$10,957.95 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations Checking to cover payroll and bills. Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Police Operations

Trustee Hinman reported: Thanked Chief Siwak and Officer Martz for their services at the Perdue's Block Party and Congratulations to Perdue's Grill for a well-run and highly attended event. The new radios arrived courtesy of the Tremont Betterment Association. The new body cameras have also arrived.

Zoning & Planning

Trustee Harding had nothing to report.

Buildings & Grounds

Trustee Zuercher reported the painting of the Community Center is underway and the two new bulletin boards for Village Hall are in and will be hung for public notices. The board discussed continuously running the fan at the Community Center to eliminate musty smell from stagnate air.

Personnel

Trustee Smith was absent.

Finance

Trustee Scranton reported the property tax distribution deposit is \$194,721.49 and the TIF is \$57,000.

Public Works

Trustee Getz reported EPA conducted a sewer inspection. Received positive comments. Waiting for final report from EPA. Trustee Scranton and the Public Works Dept. met with Britton Electronics & Automation to inquire about adding an automation system.

Public Comments

No comments.

Unfinished Business

- 1. Village Website:** Tentative launch date of August 1, 2024. Training prior to launch for anyone accessing the website. Accessing the .gov domain continues to be an issue.
- 2. 2024/2025 Budget Review:** Moved to July 15, 2024, meeting.

3. Resolution 24-107 – Releasing of Closed Session Minutes:

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve Resolution 24-107 Releasing of the 1978 – 1999 Closed Session Minutes and Trustee Scranton seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

- 4. Intergovernmental Agreement – SRO:** School will pay the Village between \$35-40K to have an officer at the school from 6am to 4pm during the school year. The funds cover benefits and wages of the officer. Part-time officers will be needed to cover shifts for the Village with the addition of the SRO hours.

Trustee Hinman motioned to approve Ordinance 24-108 Intergovernmental Agreement with Tremont Community School District 702 - School Resource Officer and Trustee Scranton seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

- 5. Changing cleaning person from employee to independent contractor:** Moved to July 15, 2024, meeting.

New Business

- 1. Approval of Property Purchase – Baer Rd / IL Rt. 9:** Purchase price of \$208,000,

Trustee Scranton motioned to approve Ordinance 24-109 purchase agreement with Tremont Eastside Development, LLC for the property located on the southeast corner of Baer Rd and Illinois Rt. 9 and Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: Harding, Scranton, Getz, Hinman

NAYS: Zuercher

Motion carried.

- 2. Electric Municipal Aggregation Resolution:** Approving the resolution gives the Village the ability to go out and bid/accept rates for the residents. The denial of the resolution will end the program with Homefield Energy.

Trustee Harding motioned to approve Resolution 24-108 Municipal Electric Aggregation Program and Trustee Zuercher seconded.

AYES: Zuercher

NAYS: Harding, Scranton, Getz, Hinman

Motion failed.

3. **Tremont Hometown Christmas:** TCA is asking for help with the lighting cost for the Hometown Christmas event. Village is working on a grant application. The grant would be funded by the BDD.
4. **Museum Request for Reimbursement:** Museum is looking for reimbursement for the new front door. The bill submitted does not show prevailing wage. The board discussed selling the building to the Historical Society. No action taken at this time.
5. **2024 MFT Resolution:** Enhanced Spray Patching for approximately \$40K.

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve 2024 MFT Resolution 24-108 and Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Attorney Seghetti discussed the Tremont Co-op Grain property that Cullinan is purchasing. The title search states that the alley at Rt.9 has not been vacated all the way through. Attorney to draw up the paperwork to vacate.

Adjourn at 8:27 pm

Jena Alig
Village Clerk

Todd Bong
Village Board President
