REGULAR MEETING TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD June 16, 2025

Village President Harding called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, June 16, 2025, at the Tremont Village Hall.

Present: Village President Harding, Trustees Zuercher, Scranton, Smith, Hinman, Replogle

Absent: Kreiling

Village Clerk: Jena Alig Village Attorney: Michael Seghetti

Police Chief: Robert Siwak

Guests: Steve Runyon, Rick and Deb Garrison, David Ayers, Nick Kinsey, Erika Koch

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of June 2, 2025, and Trustee Scranton seconded.

AYES: Zuercher, Scranton, Hinman, Replogle

NAYS: None PASSED: Smith Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers, and budget items incurred since June 2, 2025, and Trustee Hinman seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None Motion carried.

Trustee Scranton made a motion to transfer \$28,488.51 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations to cover payroll and bills and Trustee Smith seconded.

AYES: All In Attendance

NAYS: None Motion carried.

Police Operations

Trustee Zuercher thanked Chief Siwak and his Officers for their hard work at the Turkey Festival.

Zoning & Planning

Trustee Kreiling was absent.

Buildings & Grounds

Trustee Replogle nothing to report.

Personnel

Trustee Smith reported that the clean-up day went well. Thank You to all the volunteers, Chief Siwak, Officer Martz, and Elm Grove Township for the use of the backhoe.

Finance

Trustee Scranton reported that the interest-only payment for the water and sewer bond is included on the warrant sheet for this meeting.

Public Works

Trustee Hinman reported that we are still waiting on the speed bump signs for Ivy Lane.

Public Comments

Rick and Deb Garrison, David Ayers, and Nick Kinsey addressed the Board to express their concerns regarding the proposed native pollinator landscaping at the neighboring property located at 708 E. South Street.

Erika Koch addressed the Board regarding her property at 105 N. Chestnut Street, which sustained fire damage in April and is currently undergoing reconstruction. The Board confirmed that the restoration is proceeding in accordance with the issued building permit.

Unfinished Business

- 1. Review of Resolution 05-110: move to next meeting
- **2. Community Center Parking:** The Board discussed potential options for adding an additional handicap-accessible parking space and sealcoating the parking lot. Trustee Replogle will obtain quotes for both sealcoating and restriping.

- **3. Right of Way Modifications:** The Board discussed trees that have been planted within the Village right-of-way, noting that their placement may hinder the installation of future sidewalks. The Board will assess and establish priorities for the installation of future sidewalks.
- **4. 2025/2026 Appropriations:** Trustee Scranton discussed the few changes to this year's appropriations; reduction to street construction, increase to the statement of revenue for the sale of property in the TIF District, increased TC3 & ETSB, and added Community Development Grants.

New Business

- **1. Appointment of Interim Cleaning Person:** President Harding appointed David Smith as the interim cleaning person at \$16/hour.
- 2. New Computer Police Department:

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve the purchase of a new computer, not to exceed \$1,300, for the police department and Trustee Replogle seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None Motion carried.

- **3. Agenda Items:** The board discussed implementing a process to notify all members when a new item is added to the agenda.
- 4. **Route 9 Update:** The board discussed the importance of keeping the community informed about the Route 9 project as updates are received from IDOT.
- **5. IML Conference September 18-20:** The board discussed the possibility of sending a representative to attend the Illinois Municipal League (IML) Conference in Chicago.
- **6.** Electric Energy Supplier: The electric energy supplier contract for the municipal accounts is set to expire in August. Mike Mudge will present supplier bids at the first board meeting in July.
- 7. CMT Contract Property Plats and Legal Descriptions:

Trustee Hinman motioned to approve the CMT Property Plats and Legal Descriptions contract not to exceed \$10,000 and Trustee Smith seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance

NAYS: None Motion carried.

8. CMT Contract – Gunter Street Design and Plans:

Trustee Hinman motioned to approve the CMT Gunter Street Design and Plans contract not to exceed \$30,000 and Trustee Smith seconded.

AYES: All in Attendance NAYS: None Motion carried.

Tazewell County Clerk John Ackerman invited the board to attend a Juneteenth celebration along Franklin St. and Springfield Rd. for Peter Logan, the first former slave to purchase property in the county.

President Harding discussed the Village's potential participation in the commemoration of the nation's 250th anniversary next year.

Chief Siwak provided an update on TC3 pricing. The current cost increase—approximately 50%—is attributed to the double-counting of grant funds and the depletion of TC3's reserve account. Both issues are being addressed this year. While pricing for next year has not yet been determined, it is anticipated to be lower.

Trustee Scranton discussed the impact of the Non-Home Sales Tax on surrounding communities.

Adjourn at 8:57 pm

Jena Alig Village Clerk Kenneth Harding Village Board President