

**REGULAR MEETING
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD
September 5, 2023**

Village President Todd Bong called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at the Tremont Village Hall.

Present: Village President Todd Bong, Trustees Replogle, Zuercher, Harding, Getz, Smith

Absent: Trustee Scranton

Village Clerk: David Lucas

Village Attorney: Michael Seghetti

Police Chief: Rob Siwak

Village Engineer: Eric Hansen

Guests: Claire Cooper, Heidi O’Keefe, Mark O’Keefe, Steve Runyon

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Zuercher moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of August 21, 2023 and Trustee Replogle seconded.

AYES: 3

NAYS: None

Passed: 2

Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher motioned to approve all bills, payroll, investments, transfers and budget items incurred since August 21, 2023, and Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: All in attendance.

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher made a motion to transfer \$9,636.94 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations Checking to cover bills and payroll. Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: All in attendance.

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Getz motioned to transfer \$54,069 from Road & Bridge to General Funds Savings for outfitting of the new 5500 Ram Truck, and Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: All in attendance.

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

President Bong discussed moving forward with Pearl Technology as it pertains to technology upgrades for the Village of Tremont. Pearl Technology is half the cost of Heart Technology.

President Bong and the board discussed the rezoning of Tremont Co-Op Grain Property - 112 N West. UCM is working on a development agreement with the Village. UCM would like to keep the zoning as I1. They plan to build a 60x140 building on the north side of the property for storage.

The Village Board discussed the Wilson St. right of way. Bill Hopkins' garage was built on the right of way. President Bong is going to speak with Bill Hopkins to propose that the Village have first rights to purchase the property if he ever decides to sell. The Village is also looking to ensure the Willson right of way has not been vacated.

Trustee Smith made the motion to appoint Russell Boston as the superintendent of Public Works and Trustee Replogle seconded.

AYES: All in attendance.

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

President Bong requested the rezoning of 421 N James St be moved to the top of the list of New Business and all Trustees in attendance agreed.

Claire Cooper and the board discussed the rezoning of 421 N James St from R1 to B2. The property is currently grandfathered in and the welding/storage unit business can continue to operate as is. Claire's concern is, if she sells the property, will the new owner's be grandfathered in as well. Attorney Seghetti mentioned that as long as the new owner's continue to use the property as a welding and storage unit business, that they will be grandfathered in. Attorney Seghetti to draw up a document stating this for Claire to review.

Trustee Getz made the motion to increase Reid Miller's hourly wage by \$1 effective for the 9/22/23 payroll and Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: All in attendance.

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Harding made the motion for the approval of the homecoming parade route and Trustee Smith seconded.

AYES: All in attendance.

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Replogle discussed reopening the fence ordinance to change the approved materials.

Adjourn at 7:55 pm

David A. Lucas
Village Clerk

Todd Bong
Village Board President

