

**REGULAR MEETING
TREMONT VILLAGE BOARD
November 20, 2023**

Village President Todd Bong called to order this regular meeting of the Tremont Village Board at 7:00 PM, Monday, November 20, 2023 at the Tremont Village Hall.

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

Absent: Trustees Replogle

Village Clerk: David Lucas

Village Attorney: Michael Seghetti

Police Chief: Rob Siwak

Village Engineer: Eric Hansen

Guests: Art Sujmbersky, Jeff Hinman, Brian Hild, Jill Hild, Jamie Hild, Russell Boston, Kim Marron, Reid Miller

Pledge of Allegiance.

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

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Village President Bong and the board presented Brian Hild with a card and gifts as Brian will be retiring after 35 years with the Village on November 26, 2023.

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

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

GFL will be supplying a dumpster for the hometown Christmas event on December 2, 2023.

Gauger Motors will be demolished/leveled in the near future.

Trustee Scranton made a motion to transfer \$11,817.53 from General Fund Savings to Police Operations Checking to cover bills and payroll. Trustee Zuercher seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Scranton reported a financial update that the Village is slightly short of what was expected as liquid money in the bank. However, revenue streams will be flowing through the Village in the 2024 calendar year.

Eric Hansen and the board discussed costs associated with the Franklin Street Project.

Trustee Scranton and the board discussed the lack of utility easements in certain areas of the Village of Tremont.

Trustee Getz acknowledged the leaving of Brian Hild and praised the efforts that Brian, Russell, and Reid have made for Public Works.

President Bong and Trustee Scranton met with Mike Goeken to discuss the rezoning of Tremont Co-Op Grain Property @ 112 N West St. The Village is pending further updates for the near future.

Village Attorney Seghetti will need to detach the Unsicker/Baer Land Trust from the Business Development District. Further discussions between Village Attorney Seghetti and the board will take place at future meetings concerning the Unsicker/Baer Land Trust.

President Bong discussed the Community Center storage area. What President Bong would like to do is build storage closets so the storage area is cleaned up and organized.

Trustee Zurcher made a motion to purchase building materials not to exceed \$3,000.00 to build storage closets in the Tremont Community Center and Trustee Scranton seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-117, regarding IL Paid Leave for All Worker Act, and Trustee Harding seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Zuercher made a motion to approve Ordinance 23-118, Cable Franchise Agreement - Comcast, and Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Scranton reported on where health insurance is for The Village of Tremont for 2024 and certain cost related issues for health insurance. One of the possibilities is adding an HSA to the Village of Tremont health plan options. There would be at least a \$10,000 increase from what projections were a year ago no matter what option the Village of Tremont chooses. The board discussed other possible options for Health Care plans for Village employees.

The board decided to schedule a special meeting on November 27, 2023 @ 6pm to discuss and make a decision on Health Insurance Options for the Village of Tremont in 2024.

President Bong and Chief Police met with the Fire Department to go over an emergency action plan for emergencies that happen in the Village of Tremont.

Trustee Smith made a motion to enter into closed session and Trustee Getz seconded.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

Adjourn at 8:13 pm

David A. Lucas
Village Clerk

Todd Bong
Village Board President
