



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
VILLAGE OF PHOENIX REGULAR MEETING  
VILLAGE OF PHOENIX COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
May 23, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.**

**The meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Phoenix, Illinois, was called to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Terry Wells.**

**Prayer** – Trustee Proctor-Harris opened the meeting with prayer.

**Roll Call** – Trustees Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris, Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, and McCullar,  
Absent – Trustee Riley

**Comments by the President –**

Mayor Wells Shared that there will be homes for Bid; our goal is to have all bid documents ready in June for July 11, 2023, board meeting.

Cook County would like the Village of Phoenix to pilot a recycling program that the County will fund. There will be more information regarding the pilot program to be shared later.

**Communications – No communications for this session.**

**CLERKS REPORT**

The summary of the Clerk's cash received a report from May 9<sup>th</sup> to May 22, 2023, General Administration \$75,420.23; Motor Fuel \$3,217.36, Multi-Purpose Rental \$7,930.00; Multi-Liquor Permit \$15.00, Multi-Purpose Security Deposit \$50.00, Multi-Purpose Totals \$7,995.00; **Grand Total of \$86,632.59.**

**Minutes** – Motion to approve the minutes from May 9, 2023, with necessary corrections, motion made by Trustee Mahaffey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee McCullar. Motion passed with necessary corrections: Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris, Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, and Trustee McCullar, with necessary corrections.



### Committee Reports

- a) Police and Fire – Trustee Mahaffey – Chief Wells and Chief Betton are present and will come with their reports later in the meeting. If you see unattended dogs, please call the Police to report the incident. The Police Department purchased three new cars: Trustee Mahaffey motioned the Board to accept the 5-year Policy Department contract; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Taylor; Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, and Trustee McCullar,
- b) Public Works – Trustee Proctor-Harris – Public Works team is cutting grass. Congratulations to the elected officials. The garbage hauler change is transitioning well.
- c) Public Property – Trustee Taylor – Health and Wellness event will be held on May 25<sup>th</sup>; various organizations will be in attendance, including CEDA, Kidney Foundation, and Senior Companion
- d) Finance – Trustee Williams

The monthly finance meeting will be held on Monday, June 12, 2023.

Trustee Williams motioned the Board to approve reimbursement from the General Administration of \$160,000 from Special tax Fund-TIF. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Mahaffey – Motion approved by – Trustees Mahaffey, Proctor-Harris, Taylor, Williams, and McCullar

Trustee Williams motioned to pay the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee McCullar – Motion approved: Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, and Trustee McCullar. The Treasurer is here with all other reports to the fiancé department.

- e) Ordinance and Resolutions – Trustee Riley – Requested that the Resolution 05232023 for the Norris Poston Land Sale be approved, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Mahaffey - Motion approved: Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, and Trustee McCullar.
- f) Water Department – Trustee McCullar – Water Report for the period May 1 – May 22, 2023, Water \$30,691.86; Garbage \$10,976.74; Late fees \$2,367.55: **Grand Total \$44,036.15**

### Department Reports

- a) Village Administrator – A. Cooper – Absent
- b) Village Treasurer – M. Ferrell –  
Treasurer Ferrell provided the board with the current state of the village’s general fund account as follows. The General Ledger balance of the Village’s financial status is \$628,944.18. This amount includes the balance of Property Taxes of \$291,030.39. Excluding the American Rescue Plan Act Relief Grant of (Gas Giveaways) 112,152.91



The revenue budget for the month of May is \$244,351.00. The balance of expected Revenue budgeted for the month of May is \$31,798.00

Disbursements budgeted for the month of May is \$265,597.00; the balance of disbursement budgeted for the month of May is \$40,500.00

Audit: The Auditors are still in the field.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2022, was published in South Suburban Newspaper on May 19, 2023.

- g) The Chair entered a motion to pay the Insurance renewal premium for \$223,000 and the down payment of \$41,000; Trustee Mahaffey motioned the payment; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Proctor-Harris: Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, and Trustee McCullar.
- c) Chief Betton – Runs Year-to-date 256: Excited about new hires. We will be selling engine 241 soon. Engine 41 needs the radiator repaired:
- h) Three new hires: Mario Durham, Ralph Canty, and William Ruth: Trustee Mahaffey motion the hiring of three new hires; seconded by Trustee Williams; Motion approved: Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, and Trustee McCullar.
- d) Chief Wells - Thank the Board for accepting the Police Contract and purchasing the three police vehicles. Police officers will be patrol-walking the business strip.

Three cadets will graduate from the academy and be added to the patrol roster.

Cop on Top raised \$2,600 for the Special Olympics – thanked everyone for their support.

We have three officers that are part of a team of officers throughout the state trained in Civil unrest. In addition, there are two officers trained in IEAS (Illinois Emergency Alarm System)

#### **Citizen Participation –**

**Ms. Williams – Senior Building:** Thanks to the Village for removing trees and helping to turn over the soil, they have begun to plant their garden. Their long-term goals are to have a more extensive garden as time passes.

**Arlean Brown – 15211 8<sup>th</sup> Ave:** Concerns: Need a speed bump on 8<sup>th</sup> Ave: Water is standing in the back alleyway: Noticed people sometimes gather in front of her home: All of Ms. Brown's concerns will be reviewed by the various departments and addressed.



**Pamela Williamson – 907 E 152<sup>nd</sup> St:** Concerns about noise in the area, would like to see noise ordinance enforced. Fireworks – wants to know the strategy for controlling Fireworks this year; response- Chief Wells will be posting no Fireworks signs and will be managing any instances that do not follow the laws.

**New Business – No new business**

**Announcements – June 10, 2023** – The Library will host a Juneteenth event; they ask everyone to support it. Time, Noon until 5:00 PM

**Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN THE BOARD MEETING: 8:22 PM**

Trustee Mahaffey moved and was seconded by Trustee Proctor-Harris to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Executive Meeting:** 7:58 PM to 8:22 PM - After the executive meeting, the Board of Trustees and Mayor Wells Adjourned the May 23<sup>rd</sup> board meeting at 8:22 PM

The next meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees will be held on June 13, 2023

APPROVED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023

ATTEST: Patricia Harris, Village Clerk