



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
VILLAGE OF PHOENIX REGULAR MEETING  
VILLAGE OF PHOENIX COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
May 9, 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, Trustee Riley, and McCullar,

**Comments by the President –**

Swearing-In Of Officials –

Village Clerk – Patricia Harris – Mayor Wells administered the Oath of Office to the Village Clerk; Patricia Harris

Village Trustees – Trustee Martina Mahaffey - Mayor Wells administered the Oath of Office to Trustee Martina Mahaffey:

Trustee Benny Williams - Mayor Wells administered the Oath of Office to Trustee Benny Williams

Trustee Hardy Riley - Mayor Wells administered the Oath of Office to Trustee Hardy Riley

Trustee Erik McCullar - Mayor Wells administered the Oath of Office to Trustee Erik McCullar

Mayor Wells Presented a proposal from M.E. Simpson to perform a system leak survey for the Village; \$4,700

Chair enters a motion to accept the proposal, moved by Trustee Mahaffey; second by Trustee McCullar: Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar

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



## CLERKS REPORT

The summary of the Clerk's cash received a report from April 25 to May 8, 2023, General Administration \$39,263.57; Motor Fuel \$2,850.83, Multi-Purpose Rental \$1,800.00; Multi-Purpose Security Deposit \$850.00, Multi-Purpose Totals \$2,650.00; **Grand Total of \$44,764.39.**

**Minutes** – Motion to approve the minutes from April 25, 2023, with necessary corrections, motion made by Trustee Williams, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Riley. Motion passed with necessary corrections: Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar, with necessary changes.

### Committee Reports

- a) Police and Fire – Trustee Mahaffey – Chief Wells was present and will come with his report later in the meeting; Chief Betton; Absent. Negotiations are in process for the Police contract; it's ongoing. Will keep the Board updated. Thank everyone for their support. Encouraged everyone if they see something say something.

The Chair moved; Chapter 10 – Alcoholic Beverages; Section 10-55 (b) (2); Tho hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., on Saturday and Sunday is amended to read: The hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Trustee Mahaffey motion the change, seconded by Trustee Riley: Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, 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 – There are a lot of MPC bookings due to repasses. Congratulations to the elected officials.
- d) Finance – Trustee Williams  
The monthly finance meeting was held on Monday, May 8, 2023.

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, Trustee Riley, 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 for the Norris Land Sale be held for further consideration.  
In June a basketball camp is planned for the summer  
In July there will be a baseball camp planned



Trustee Riley announced the Park District swearing-in will be May 18, 2023 at 7:00 PM; everyone is invited to attend.

- f) Water Department – Trustee McCullar – Water Report for the period May 1 – May 8, 2023, Water \$7,331.95; Garbage \$2,898.77; Late fees \$777.10 **Grand Total \$11,007.82**

### 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 \$686,899.92. This amount includes the balance of Property Taxes of \$291,030.39. Excluding the American Rescue Plan Act Relief Grant of (Gas Giveaway) \$233,982.91

The revenue budget for the month of May is \$244,351.00. The balance of expected Revenue budgeted for the month of May is \$198,072.00

Disbursements budgeted for the month of May is \$265,597.00; the balance of disbursement budgeted for the month of May is \$195,991.00

Audit: The Auditors are still in the field.

- c) Chief Betton – Absent
- d) Chief Wells - Presented to the Board to accept the New Hire - Bernadette Searcy – Trustee Mahaffey motioned the Board to accept Ms. Searcy as a new hire, seconded by Trustee McCullar. Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar

Trustee Mahaffey motioned the Board to purchase 3 new vehicles for the Police Department, seconded by Trustee Riley; Passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris; Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar.

New Community Officer was hired, and you will see him throughout the Village; his name is Michael Hinton; please introduce yourself to him if you see him.



The police department has a plan for the summer to walk the neighborhood to increase social participation between the Police Department and the community.

Chief Wells attended a Chief training session last week, Mayor Wells attended also. This training helps him to meet the mandatory 20 hours a year continuous training requirement for Chiefs.

Cop on Top event will be May 19, 2023, at the Dolton Donkin Donuts on 147<sup>th</sup> Street; from 6:00 AM to 11:00 AM

**Citizen Participation – Ms. Williams – Senior Building:** Thanks to the Village for removing trees and helping to turn over the soil for the Senior Garden.

**New Business – No new business**

**Announcements – May 20, 2023** - There is a play at Thornton High School with local residents as actors, and the Library is offering transportation for Seniors. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

The Library will be hosting a pre-Juneteenth event, on June 10, 2023, at noon

**Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN THE BOARD MEETING: 7:58 PM**

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

The next meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees will be held on May 25, 2023

APPROVED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023

ATTEST: Patricia Harris, Village Clerk