



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
VILLAGE OF PHOENIX REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE OF PHOENIX COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
October 8, 2024 – 7:00 PM.**

The meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Phoenix, Illinois was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Terry R. Wells.

PRAYER: Trustee Proctor-Harris opened the meeting with prayer.

Mayor Wells asked for a motion to elect Trustee Proctor-Harris as the Clerk Pro temp for tonight's meeting. Motioned by Trustee Williams and second by Trustee McCullar

**ROLL CALL: TAYLOR, WILLIAMS, RILEY, MCCULLAR, PROCTOR-HARRIS
ABSENT; TRUSTEE MAHAFFEY AND CLERK HARRIS**

COMMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT:

- **New Officer for the Police Department:** Kelvin Lett, motioned by Williams and 2nd by Proctor-Harris. Roll Call: Taylor, Williams, Riley, McCullar, Proctor-Harris
- **C.L.A.S.S. from Coolidge School** held their annual Breast Cancer Walk and it was successful. Several visitors commented on how well the village looked.
- **504 E. 154th Place** will be put out for bid for \$10,000. Bids will be opened at the next meeting on October 22, 1024.
- **MOU-Memorandum of Understanding-Lt. Menzies (School District 205)** was motion for approval by Trustee Riley and 2nd by Trustee Williams
- **Information was shared on the Village Wide Recycling program, more information will come at a later date.**
- **Resolution- Village Own Property-** Duane Anderson 100824A, Moved by Trustee Riley and 2nd by Trustee McCullar. Roll Call: Taylor, Williams, Riley, McCullar, Proctor-Harris
- **Resolution-Property Incentive Program-10082024B.** More information will come at a later date. Moved by Trustee Riley and 2nd by Trustee Williams. Roll Call: Taylor, Williams, Riley, McCullar, Proctor-Harris.



COMMUNICATIONS: None at this time

CLERK'S REPORT: The summary of the Clerks report was reported by Trustee Proctor-Harris Cash received from September 24, 2024 to October 7, 2024: General Administration- \$40,604.28: Motor Fuel Collections: \$3,436.03: Multi-Purpose Center \$2,075.00 Grand Total of \$46,115.31

MINUTES- Mayor Wells called for a motion to approve minutes: Trustee Proctor-Harris motions to approve the minutes and 2nd by Trustee Riley. Roll Call- Taylor, Williams, Riley, McCullar and Proctor-Harris.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Police and Fire Department: In the absence of Trustee Mahaffey the representatives will give their reports during the department reports
- Public Works Department Trustee Proctor-Harris: The staff have started to get equipment ready for the winter.
- Public Property: Trustee Taylor: Nothing to report. Sidewalks looks really good that's connecting the buildings
- Finance Department Trustee Williams: Bills totaled \$87,031.36. Motion to pay the bills by Trustee Williams and 2nd by Trustee Riley. Trustee Williams also asked to allocate \$1,000 for the Village Wide Halloween party. Motion was moved by Riley and seconded by McCullar. Roll Call: Taylor, Williams, Riley, McCullar and Proctor-Harris.
- Water Department- Trustee McCullar: Water report for the period of September 25th – October 8, 2024: Water- \$7,722.03, Garbage \$2, 915.37, Late fees \$ 596.99 with a Grand Total of \$11,234.39. Trustee McCullar asked the residents to be mindful of any standing water that could be a water leak and report it to the village hall.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- Village Administrator: Administrator Cooper reported he attended a grant workshop today that was very informative. He will be meeting with the department heads to discuss details on the workshop. One grant has been granted for the police department and more details will come later.
- Village Treasurer- Treasure Ferrell gave the following information:
General Ledger balance of \$393,500.55 which include the balance of the Property Taxes of \$11,164.76.
The revenue budgeted for the month of October is \$164,835.00 The balance of the Revenue budgeted for the month of October is \$129, 037.00.



Disbursements budgeted for the month of October is \$252,392.00 and the balance of the Disbursement budgeted for the month of October is \$185,604.00

The auditors will be coming back to work on items that were identified in the last board meeting.

- Fire Department: Lieutenant Tom Schwenkel- There are 528 calls reported as of today. The Fire Department will be having an open house on 10/12/2024 from 9am-12pm at the Fire House.
- Police Department: Chief Wells reported to accept a 2020 Dodge from Richton Park. Mayor asked for a motion of acceptance. Motion by Trustee Williams and 2nd by Trustee Riley. Chief Wells, reported that we need to be vigilant when we are pumping gas. The motor vehicle theft has increased in the south suburbs. Also, NOBLE (National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives) will be having their Annual Dance on October 25th at the Double Tree hotel in Alsip. The Truck Enforcement officers are still writing tickets due to the overweight trucks coming through the village. These are \$750 tickets for each truck. Coffee with the Cops went really well, many of the seniors came out. There will be a follow-up field trip for the them to tour the village hall and the departments within. They will then be taken to lunch by Chief Wells. Chief also recognized Doris Gillispie who was in the audience and reported that she has applied for the Code Enforcer. Finally, the public property workers are doing really well and look very professional in their new outfits.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- Craig Johnson 15356- 6th Ave. Mr. Johnson reported that 155th and Vincennes if very busy in the early mornings around 6am. Cars are running the stop sign and its looking very dangerous at that time of the morning. Chief Wells reported that new stop signs will be going up with the blinking lights and that is one of the areas that we can look at.
- George DeYoung 15336- 8th Ave. – Mr. DeYoung reported concerns for traffic at 152st and Halsted. There seem to be a blind spot at that corner. Mayor Wells informed Mr. DeYoung that since that was Harvey's property and we can't do anything. Our property ends and the corner where Smitty's lounge is located.
- Mia Webster 15104- 6th Ave- Concerns about her property tax and is there anything that is being done. Mrs. Webster was given the update on the Property Rehabilitation Incentive Program that is being put together for residents
- Mrs. DeYoung 15336- 8th Ave- Mrs. DeYoung had concerns about the two vacant houses at 155th and 9th Ave. It was reported that one of the homes have been sold and the other one is being looked into due to the dilapidated condition. The homeowner currently lives in Las Vegas and has not been responsive to the Village.

NEW BUSINESS: None at the time



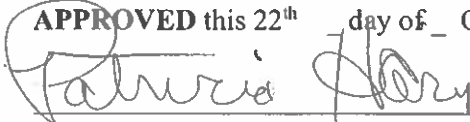
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Wells reminded everyone to keep the Gibson family in our prayers. Mrs. Shirley Gibson passed away last week and the Memorial Service will be at the Multi-Purpose Center on Sunday 10/13/2024.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm by Mayor Wells

Trustee Proctor Harris moved to adjourn and it was 2nd by Trustee Williams. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote from all the Trustees in attendance.

The next meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees will be held on October 22, 2024 at 7pm.

APPROVED this 22th day of _ October __, 2024


Patricia Harris, Village Clerk **ATTEST:**

