

Village of Peoria Heights
Departmental Meeting
March 2, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Everyone stood for a moment of silence and the Pledge to the Flag.

Upon calling roll, the following Trustees were present: Sherryl Carter, Beth Khazzam, Jeff Goett, Brandon Wisenburg, and Sarah DeVore. Trustee Carter was present by phone. Trustee Diane Mariscal was absent. Others present included Mayor Michael Phelan, Village Administrator and Chief of Police Dustin Sutton, and Village Clerk Stephanie Turner.

Trustee Goett made a motion to approve the minutes from January 23, January 28, and February 2, 2021. Trustee Wisenburg seconded the motion. The Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes. Trustee Carter abstained due to not having been present.

Mayor Phelan opened the meeting to public comment. Hearing no public comment, he closed the meeting to public comment and moved on to old business. Hearing no old business, the Board moved on to new business.

Trustee Khazzam explained the organizers for the Lupus Walk withdrew their request to use Tower Park. The event has been cancelled for 2021. Trustee Khazzam had nothing further to report on economic development.

Trustee Goett made a motion to approve the non-union full-time employee evaluation merit increases. Trustee Wisenburg seconded the motion. Trustee Goett noted the payments had previously been discussed and were up to 2% and similar to a bonus. Chief Sutton reminded the Board that the Village had previously adopted a compensation policy which included a maximum 2% merit increase based on evaluations. Chief Sutton noted that he hadn't recommended the increases in 2020 because of the uncertainty of the pandemic. Chief Sutton praised staff's performance. The Board approved the evaluation merit bonuses 5-0.

Mayor Phelan asked if the Board had any miscellaneous business for discussion. There was none.

Trustee Goett made a motion to approve payment of the bills. Trustee DeVore seconded the motion. The Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of the bills.

Trustee Goett made a motion to adjourn, and Trustee Wisenburg seconded the motion. The Board voted 5-0 to adjourn at 6:07 pm.

Michael Phelan, Mayor

Stephanie Turner, Village Clerk