

Village of Peoria Heights
Departmental Committee Meeting

March 27, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Everyone stood for the Pledge to the Flag.

Upon roll call, the following Trustees were present: Harn, Goett, Dan Mariscal, Diane Mariscal, Reichert, and Carter. Others present include: Mayor Phelan, Administrator Fick, Chief Sutton, Director Smith, Clerk Gauf, Bookkeeper Turner, and Council Tibbs.

The minutes from the Departmental meeting on March 6th, 2017 were approved as written with a motion by Trustee Goett and 2nd by Trustee Dan Mariscal. The motion was passed with a voice vote.

Comments from the Audience: There were no comments from the audience.

Mr. Steve Sonnemaker was present and reported on the Peoria County Veterans Memorial. He mentioned the need for a "Perpetual Care Fund" and asked the Village for a donation. Mayor Phelan asked that the donation amount be added to the next agenda for approval.

Old Business: Mayor Phelan updated the Board on his meeting with ICC's Joint Cultural Center and a meeting with IDOT where discussion of development along the Route 29 Corridor were conducted.

New Business:

- Police: Chief Sutton gave an update on the purchase of body cameras and mentioned that the order had been placed. He expects the cameras to be in place by June. He also applied for a grant with hopes to receive money to cover the cost of the body camera program.
- Public Works: Trustee Harn deferred to Director Smith who mentioned that the sandblasting on the Observation Tower had begun. Also, there had been complaints on the clarity of the water by residents, which tested safe. The cause is due to taking the tower out of service for maintenance. Director Smith also received a quote of \$4,800 from Heights Flowers to provide plants for 54 planters and beds by the Gold Star at the Village Hall.
- Fire: Trustee Reichert had nothing to report.
- Other: Trustee Diane Mariscal made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-02; Request for Approval of a Contract with Azavar Government Solutions. There would be no charge but Azavar would receive 40% of amount they collect. Trustee Harn 2nd the motion which passed with a 6-0 vote (Trustees Harn, Goett, Dan Mariscal, Diane Mariscal, Reichert, and Carter voted aye). Trustee Diane Mariscal made a motion to approve McDonald's site plan where they requested to enclose the play area and have outdoor seating. Trustee Goett 2nd the motion

which passed with a 6-0 vote (Trustees Harn, Goett, Dan Mariscal, Diane Mariscal, Reichert, and Carter voted aye). Trustee Diane Mariscal made a motion to approve a License Agreement between the Village of Peoria Heights and Hueblgd, LLC. This agreement permits a portion of the sidewalk to be removed for a walkway from the trail to Trefzgers. The agreement also allows for substantive changes as Mayor Phelan sees fit. Trustee Goett 2nd the motion which was passed with a 6-0 vote (Trustees Harn, Goett, Dan Mariscal, Diane Mariscal, Reichert, and Carter voted aye).

- The board continued to review of the 2018 – 2019 Budget Worksheets. Home Rule was discussed as an option to increase revenue. The board agreed to consider that option.

The Board moved to Executive Session at 7:07 with a Motion by Trustee Harn and a 2nd by Trustee Diane Mariscal.

The board resumed regular session at 7:42pm.

Trustee Harn made a motion to approve the Employment Contract with Director of Public Works Kyle Smith. Trustee Goett 2nd the motion which passed with a 4-2 vote (Trustees Harn, Goett, Reichert, and Carter voted aye. Trustees Dan Mariscal and Diane Mariscal voted nay).

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm with a motion from Trustee Goett and a second by Trustee Dan Mariscal.

Michael E Phelan, Mayor

Margaret Gauf, Village Clerk