



**MINUTES FOR VILLAGE OF PINGREE GROVE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Municipal Center, 555 Reinking Rd, Pingree Grove, IL 60140**

**Monday, February 3, 2020
7:00 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Wiedmeyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The roll was called. Answering present were President Wiedmeyer and Trustees: Hall, Pearson, Kubiak, Hirschbein, Dulkoski, and Lemus. Also present were Village Manager Dean Frieders, Police Chief Shawn Beane, Finance Director Karen Plaza, Village Engineer Mick Gronewold, and Village Clerk Shelly Jureczek.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS / ITEMS

- a. 2020-P-01, A Proclamation Declaring the Week of February 16-22, 2020 to be National Engineers Week in Pingree Grove, Illinois

President Wiedmeyer read aloud the proclamation in recognition of National Engineers Week.

- b. Annual MS4 Report and Public Hearing

Engineer Gronewold presented a PowerPoint to share an overview of the Village's Stormwater Management Program relative to its MS4 (Municipal Storm Separate Sewer System) Permit issued by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. The responsibilities of the Village were reviewed, including but not limited to, creating a Stormwater Management Program, filing a Notice of Intent with the state prior to permit renewal and the filing of an Annual Report in June of each year. The Annual Report documents work that was done by the Village

during the prior year to confirm compliance with permit requirements. Community clean up days were mentioned as a good way to motivate the community to increase compliance through proper disposal of contaminants. Trustee Pearson inquired as to who is responsible for construction site erosion control. Engineer Gronewold stated that construction sites are closely monitored for soil erosion and sediment control, but the ultimate responsibility lies with the owner.

No members of the public requested to speak.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Trustee Kubiak made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pearson, to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the Minutes from Village Board Meeting January 20, 2020, the Warrant List for February 3, 2020 in the amount of \$223,540.92. A Roll Call vote determined Trustees: Kubiak, Pearson, Hall, Hirschbein, Dulkoski, and Lemus answered aye. Roll Call vote passed 6-0.

7. **ITEMS FOR SEPARATE ACTION**

- a. Approval of Ordinance 2019-O-04, Adopting and Approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Village of Pingree Grove and the Metropolitan Alliance of Police, Chapter #564

Manager Frieders was pleased to bring this item forward and indicated one of the attorneys for MAP, Mike Butler, was in attendance. He indicated that the Agreement fairly represents the interests of both parties and provides a positive framework for continued very positive labor relations. This is applicable to full-time officers below the rank of Sergeant and is consistent with items that have been discussed with the Board previously. Unique agreement was reached with regard to wages, in light of the limited financial resources of the Village and the pending Pingree Grove SAFE Referendum. A two-tiered system was agreed upon. If the Referendum is not successful, MAP has agreed to the 3% increase for FY20 and a 3% increase for FY21, with a reopener for FY22 and 23. If the Referendum is successful, a wage scale that puts us on track for catching up with Fox River Grove, which is one of the lower wage scale comparable communities we were able to identify. Manager Frieders again thanked Mr. Butler for coming to the meeting. On the Village's side, it was a collaborative effort between Chief Beane, Finance Director Plaza and Manager Frieders. On the part of part, there was a significant number of working meetings but ultimately forward progress was made at each meeting.

Trustee Lemus made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dulkoski to approve Ordinance Adopting and Approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Village of Pingree Grove and the Metropolitan Alliance of Police, Chapter #564. A Roll Call vote

determined Trustees: Lemus, Dulkoski, Pearson, Kubiak, Hirschbein, and Hall answered aye. Roll Call vote passed 6-0.

8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Wiedmeyer had no report.

9. STAFF REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

a. Manager

Manager Frieders indicated that Trustee Kubiak was able to fill President Wiedmeyer's place for the meetings scheduled for later in the week in Springfield. Additionally, Director Plaza and Engineer Gronewold will accompany them. There are a number of meetings scheduled with representatives in House and Senate. Early word is that there is potential for significant capital funding in next year's fiscal budget and is consistent with the Governor's State of the State Address.

The first Library Storytime last Saturday went well and the Library staff was extremely pleased with the set up and turn out.

b. Police

Chief Beane formally presented the Police Department Annual Report. Operational challenges were detailed including single officer staffing, full-time position vacancies, advanced fleet vehicle age and mileage (current police fleet averages 100,000 miles each), and facility issues, including lack of reliability with HVAC system. Calls for service in the past five years have doubled. Staff sizing has only increased by one person during that time. These are issues that the SAFE Referendum will address.

Trustee Hirschbein asked when other communities usually retire vehicles and Chief Beane responded typically between 90,000-100,000 miles. Trustee Dulkoski asked if the passage of the Collective Bargaining Agreement will aid in the filling of the vacancies in the Department. Chief Beane responded that is the hope of staff.

Manager Frieders pointed out that statistics reflect that serious crime is pushing toward Pingree Grove from the communities to the East and the Village will need be able to address that crime increase as it comes.

c. Finance

Director Plaza had no report.

d. Public Works

There was no public works report presented.

- e. Engineering
Engineer Gronewold had no report.
- f. Planning
There was no planning report presented.
- g. Clerk
Clerk Jureczek had no report.

10. **OLD BUSINESS**—*There was no old business discussed.*

11. **NEW BUSINESS**—*There was no new business discussed.*

12. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:40 p.m. Trustee Dulkoski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Hirschbein to convene an Executive Session of the Village Board for the purpose of discussing the hiring, termination, discipline, compensation or performance of a specific employee or volunteer pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), collective negotiating matters between the Village and its employees pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), and sale of real property pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6). A Roll Call vote determined Trustees: Dulkoski, Hirschbein, Lemus, Hall, Pearson, and Kubiak answered aye. Roll Call vote passed 6-0.

At 8:02 p.m. Trustee Kubiak made a motion to return to regular session, seconded by Trustee Pearson. President Wiedmeyer directed that a voice vote be taken. All present answered aye, and President Wiedmeyer declared the motion passed.

Return to regular session

Manager Frieders stated that staff will continue to seek grant funding for the water plant projects previously brought before the Board; however, he also discussed staff's recent exploration of an opportunity for an interim improvement of the water system by moving the water plant to a location on Daniel Blvd. near the current end of Reinking Road. This site may have significantly lower costs to locate these improvements on, as it is already serviced by water and sewer mains, both of which are necessary for a water treatment plan. This could add the redundancy in the system that would benefit all residents.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Pearson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Lemus. President Wiedmeyer directed that a voice vote be taken. All present answered aye, and President Wiedmeyer declared the motion passed; the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.