

Village of Germantown Hills
Village Board Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2017 6:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance-** Mike Hinrichsen, Village President, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Village President/Trustees	Roll Call	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13 - 15
Mike Hinrichsen – President	Present													
Julia Miller	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Amy Pace	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Brian Wysocki	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Jim O’Laughlin	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Marty Clinch	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Todd Rice	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	P	P	Y	Y	Y

Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance. Mike Hinrichsen stated that he would like to do a moment of silence for those serving our country similar to what Paul Herzog does at the Bradley Basketball games.

2. **Minutes Approval**

- a. **May 18, 2017-Village Board Meeting-** A motion was made by Todd Rice to approve the May 18, 2017 Village board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Amy Pace. **Motion passed #1.**

3. **Public Comments on Any Action Item on the Agenda-None**

4. **Public Comments on Any Non-Action items-None**

5. **Current Agenda Items**

a. **State Representative Ryan Spain remarks and discussion with Village Board**

Mike Hinrichsen stated it was his pleasure to introduce State Representative Ryan Spain. Ryan was in attendance to discuss what he is working on and to have a discussion with the Village Board. Ryan stated he appreciated the invitation and loves to connect with a community he serves and be involved in any way that he can help. He has a great fondness for local government and wants to assist in any way that he can.

He explained the major struggle in Springfield that is going on and the need for it to come to an end. He stated the legislature is being called to Springfield and is hopeful they can get things done. He indicated all the players and leaders need to get to an agreement because we are a great State and we have great assets.

Ryan explained the funding, expenses and revenues of the State and answered other questions from the board. Ryan noted they will need to find areas of compromise in order to turn around the economic climate. Ryan explained all of the committees he serves on.

Todd Rice encouraged Ryan to come back any time because it helps to hear what is going on. Mike Hinrichsen stated he looks forward to having Ryan represent us and thanked him for his service.

b. Presentation and Update from GPEDC-Jennifer Daly & Nathan Davis

Jennifer Daly and Nathan Davis were in attendance to give an update on GPEDC. Nathan Davis explained the different programs in the region along with the tools, resources and marketing materials that are available.

Mike Hinrichsen recognized Jennifer Daly and thanked her for her wonderful job building GPEDC. Jennifer has accepted another job out of the region so they are currently looking for her replacement. Jennifer stated how great of an example Germantown Hills is as a community where others are looking to model what Germantown Hills is doing. Jennifer indicated she is most proud of the relationships we have built together.

c. Update on the St. Jude 5K and Bags Event

Ann Sasso read the thank you note from the St. Jude event. Julia Miller shared they had hoped some of the board members would have been able to attend the event.

d. Approval of the Michael's 5K Run for Life on July 22nd

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the Michael's 5K Run for Life on July 22nd with the Village providing the dumpster and portable toilets as in years past. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #2.**

e. Approval of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance FY 17-18 and Estimate of Revenues

A motion was made by Todd Peterson to approve Ordinance #779 the Annual Appropriation Ordinance FY 17-18 and estimate of revenues. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #3.**

f. Approval of Ordinance ascertaining the prevailing rate of wages for laborers, workers, and mechanics employed on public works of the Village of Germantown Hills

g. A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve Ordinance #780 an Ordinance ascertaining the prevailing rate of wages for laborers, workers, and mechanics employed on public works of the Village of Germantown Hills. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #4.**

h. Approval of the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission Appointments

Mike Hinrichsen made the appointments of Jim Willerton, Bill Waters and John Taylor to the Planning Commission and Joe Maier to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the appointments of Jim Willerton, Bill Waters and John Taylor to the Planning Commission and Joe Maier to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **Motion passed #5.**

i. Discussion and approval of the Preliminary Plat for the Parkway Estates Subdivision

The Planning Commission recommended approval of the preliminary plat for the Parkway Estates Subdivision.

A motion was made by Julia Miller to approve Preliminary Plat for the Parkway Estates Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Amy Pace. **Motion passed #6.**

j. Discussion and approval of the Preliminary Plat for the Woods at Germantown Hills

The Planning Commission recommended approval of the preliminary plat for the Woods at Germantown Hills Subdivision with the two variations in regards to sidewalk construction and trench backfill.

The two variations on the plat were discussed and will be included in the annexation agreement.

A motion was made by Marty Clinch to approve Preliminary Plat for the Woods at Germantown Hills Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Amy Pace. **Motion passed #7.**

k. Approval of Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding wastewater charges

- l. A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve Ordinance #781 an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding wastewater charges. The motion was seconded by Brian Wysocki. **Motion passed #8.**

m. Approval on the final change order for the Anker Lane Extension

Rich Brecklin reported on the final change order on Anker Lane and everything has been completed.

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the final change order for the Anker Lane Extension. The motion was seconded by Amy Pace. **Motion passed #9.**

n. Approval on the contractor's final application for payment for the Anker Lane Extension

A motion was made by Marty Clinch to approve the contractors final application for payment for the Anker Lane Extension. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #10.**

o. Approval of a drone survey of the area south of the J.R. White Park up to the Germantown Crossing shopping center to be completed by CMT

Mike Hinrichsen stated the drone survey of the area from the park up to Germantown Crossing will help to provide an accurate view of where we are today. It will be used for a streetscape design and other possible infrastructure projects. There was consensus to move forward with a streetscape design and we have talked with CMT and a consultant to get the work completed. The drone cost is \$1500 with an estimate \$3-5,000 cost for the visual design. The board discussed. Mike noted the need to do something in order to help move things forward. There is an interested party that this vision will help with in getting things moving at Germantown Crossing.

A motion was made by Amy Pace to approve the drone survey of the area south of the J.R. White Park up to the Germantown Crossing shopping center to be completed by CMT up to \$1,500. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **Motion passed #11.**

There was board consensus to have the consultant do a streetscape plan for Germantown Crossing. The hope is to have something done by the middle of July.

p. Approval of a Resolution setting forth benefits to be provided to Village Part-Time Employees

Julia Miller stated the personnel committee had recommended providing health insurance benefits for the part time employee after a discussion on the job duties, hours and the insurance agreement that requires the Village to offer coverage to those employees that work 30 hours a week.

A motion was made by Todd Rice to approve Resolution 2017-03 a Resolution setting forth benefits to be provided to Village part-time employees. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #11.**

6. Ongoing Agenda Items-None

7. Presentation of Bills

- a. General-A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the general bills. The motion was seconded by Brian Wysocki. **Motion passed #12.**
- b. Sewer-A motion was made by Brian Wysocki to approve the sewer bills. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin **Motion passed #13.**
- c. Audit- A motion was made by Todd Rice to approve the audit bill. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #14.**
- d. MFT-None

8. Reports of Standing Committees

- a. **Finance**-Amy Pace had nothing new to report.
- b. **Streets/Equipment**-Todd Rice stated it was probably a good decision to not use any MFT funds this year with the State not having a budget and construction projects would be on hold.
- c. **Personnel**-Julia Miller stated she will continue the conversations on the review of the job descriptions and duties. The summer employee's pay will be increased by a dollar since he has been with the Village 30 days and the board had previously recommended approval.
- d. **Police**-Marty Clinch stated they still would like to see up a meeting with the school before school starts up again to talk about the traffic.
- e. **Parks**- Julia Miller stated the trail at the J.R. White Park is on hold until there are funds appropriated.

f. Sewer-Brian Wysocki updated the board on the easement acquisition. Scott DeSplinter and Rich Brecklin had met Mr. Clark's attorney and he seemed to be on board with what the Village needs. Chuck Urban stated the complaint is being prepared and will be filing it as soon as it is complete. At this point the offer is no longer on the table for the easement.

Brian noted he hopes to have the grinder pump policy for the next meeting.

g. Storm Water-Jim O'Laughlin noted we have received a lot of rain. Rich Brecklin reported there have been some concerns with the ditches but most have been able to drain.

h. Economic Development Council-Ann Sasso reported Alan is buying Ricky's from his Dad so there will be change in the liquor license. There is some interest from a business owner in possibly adding some video gaming machines to his building in the Village.

The Planning Commission discussed at their meeting an amendment to the sign ordinance in order to allow feather flags and they also discussed a hard surface ordinance.

Amy Pace reported the library board's new President is Annie Hicks and they have hired a new Director. The School is going to make an offer on the old library building.

9. Reports of Special Committees-None

10. Reports of Officers

a. Zoning Officer/Village Clerk/Village Administrator-Ann Sasso noted Mike Hinrichsen is looking at a communication plan and Cassandra is already starting to put more information out on the Village's website and Facebook.

b. Superintendent of Public Works-Rich Brecklin stated the streets have been swept and they are doing some patching. He will be attending the PPUATS meeting tomorrow. Rich has talked with IDOT about the tar strips on RT.116 that weren't installed correctly and which are creating some safety concerns. He is going to talk with the guy from IDOT about the trees at Germantown Crossing once he returns from his vacation.

Rich discussed the flows at the plant with all of the rain we have received. They are getting ready to replace the filter sand. He is meeting with Scott to look at the improvements at Plant 2 and there was some vandalism at the plant.

c. Village Attorney-Bill Streeter had nothing new to report.

d. Village President-Mike Hinrichsen had nothing new to report.

11. Communications to the Board-None

12. Adjournment-A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. The motion was seconded by Marty CLinch. **Motion passed #15.**

Ann Sasso, Village Clerk