

**Village of Germantown Hills  
Village Board Meeting Minutes  
December 10, 2020 6:00 p.m.**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance-** Mike Hinrichsen, Village President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

<b>Village President/Trustees</b>	<b>Roll Call</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
Mike Hinrichsen – President	Present														
Julia Miller	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Stephanie Chaon	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Dick Hartman	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Jim O’Laughlin (Electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Marty Clinch (Electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Todd Rice (Electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		

Todd Rice, Marty Clinch, and Jim O’Laughlin attended the board meeting by electronic means as per allowed by the Governor’s Executive Order and the modification of the Open Meetings Act. The village hall was open for the public.

Also, in attendance:

- Rich Brecklin, Superintendent of Public Works
- Scott DeSplinter, CMT, Village engineer (Electronic)
- Bill Streeter, Village Attorney (Electronic)
- Chuck Urban, Village Attorney (Electronic)

Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance. Mike Hinrichsen stated that he would like to do a moment of silence thanking those serving our Country both near and afar preserving our freedom.

**2. Minutes Approval**

**a. November 18, 2020 Village Board Meeting**

A motion was made by Stephanie Chaon to approve the November 18, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Dick Hartman. **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. Discussion and approval of a Home Occupational Permit**

Ann Sasso stated Breanna Schatsiek has requested a home occupational permit for a salon at her residence located at 324 Pinecrest Drive.

A motion was made by Todd Rice to approve a home occupational permit to Breanna Schatsiek for a salon at her residence located at 324 Pinecrest Drive. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #2.**

**b. Approval of a Resolution to appropriate funds to pay for the Village's share of the improvements for the IDOT Traffic Signal Agreement**

Ann Sasso explained that IDOT will be making some upgrades to the traffic signals at the intersections in Germantown Hills. The LED portion of the upgrades has already been done so the agreement will be modified as to not include that portion of the work or expense.

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve Resolution 2020-05 a Resolution approving the appropriation of funds to pay for the Village's share of the improvements for the IDOT Traffic Signal Agreement not to exceed \$6,900. The motion was seconded by Dick Hartman. **Motion passed #3.**

**c. Approval of an agreement with IDOT regarding upgrades to the traffic signals in the Village of Germantown Hills**

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the agreement with IDOT regarding upgrades to the traffic signals in the Village of Germantown Hills. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #4.**

**d. Approval of the 2021 General Engineering Agreement**

Scott DeSplinter explained that this is their general engineering agreement for 2021 and is not associated with any specific projects.

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the CMT 2021 general engineering agreement. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #5.**

**e. Discussion and approval on the Local CURE Program for additional PPE equipment due to COVID-19**

Ann Sasso explained that the board had previously approved using all of the CURE grant funds and requesting additional funds. Unfortunately, DCEO is only reimbursing funds used by December 30<sup>th</sup>. In order to provide air purifiers for the Village businesses and churches the total cost will go over the allotment the village currently has. Ann noted she hoped we would get approval of the funds but then be able to use the funds at that point. Ann asked the board if they wanted to go ahead and spend the funds with the possibility the Village will not get reimbursed. The additional amount will be at least \$15,000. Ann noted it is a gamble the State will allow additional funds but providing air purifiers to the Village businesses and churches will provide added safety within our community.

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve as a part of the Local CURE Program for additional PPE equipment due to COVID-19 the purchase of air purifiers for the businesses and churches in Germantown Hills. The motion was seconded by Dick Hartman. **Motion passed #6.**

**f. Approval of an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding the number of Class "B" Liquor Licenses**

Ann Sasso noted with Debbie's gaming closing the number of Class B liquor licenses need to be amended in the code.

A motion was made by Stephanie Chaon to approve Ordinance #830 an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding the number of Class "B" Liquor Licenses. The motion was seconded by Julia Miller. **Motion passed #7.**

**g. Approval of an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding the Liquor License Fees for 2021**

At the last meeting the board agreed to waive the liquor license fees for 2021 due to COVID-19.

A motion was made by Julia Miller to approve Ordinance #831 an Ordinance amending the Germantown Hills Village Code, Village of Germantown Hills, Illinois regarding the liquor license fees for 2021. The motion was seconded by Stephanie Chaon. **Motion passed #8.**

**h. Approval of the 2021 Village Board, Planning Commission and EDC meeting dates**

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the 2021 Village Board, Planning Commission and EDC meeting dates. The motion was seconded by Dick Hartman. **Motion passed #9.**

**6. Ongoing Agenda Items-None**

**a. Discussion and approval on returning to normal works schedules, and opening the hall-**The board agreed to leave things as is.

**b. Approval on the future plans for the Community Center-**Rich Brecklin received an estimate on the demolition of the Community Center for \$11,950 not including asbestos cleaning and removal.

A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the demolition of the Community Center in the amount of \$11,950 not including asbestos cleaning and removal and putting the ground back to dirt and grass. The motion was seconded by Dick Hartman. **Motion passed #10.**

Ann Sasso will let everyone know they have to be out and have all of their equipment out by January 1, 2021.

**c. Approval on the development of Triangle Park with a Veteran's Display-**Rich Brecklin is working with ICCI on a concrete design and CMT is looking at doing a visual design. Todd Rice mentioned the idea of checking with the artist on doing first responder sculptures for the park and even for the veteran's display. Ann will reach out to see about the possibility and cost.

**7. Presentation of Bills**

**a. General/Sewer Bills-**A motion was made by Jim O'Laughlin to approve the General and Sewer bills. The motion was seconded by Stephanie Chaon. **Motion passed #11.**

## 8. Reports of Standing Committees

- a. **Finance**-Stephanie Chaon had nothing new to report.
- b. **Streets/Equipment**-Todd Rice had nothing new to report.
- c. **Personnel**-Julia Miller had nothing new to report.
- d. **Police**-Marty Clinch had nothing new to report.
- e. **Parks**-Dick Hartman had nothing new to report.
- f. **Sewer**-Jim O'Laughlin noted Rich Brecklin is getting an estimate to clear out some brush down at sewer plant #2.
- g. **Storm Water**-Jim O'Laughlin had nothing new to report.
- h. **Economic Development Council**-Ann Sasso noted Dollar General is installing a solar system on their roof. Ann stated Doug Pinter is still sorting through with the property owner on the items that were supposed to be completed as a part of their agreement.

## 9. Reports of Special Committees-Nothing new to report.

## 10. Reports of Officers

- a. **Zoning Officer/Village Clerk/Village Administrator**-Ann Sasso noted the landscape dumpsters are getting picked up next week for the winter. There were some discrepancies on the bill from the company that did the diesel cleanup so the insurance company will be sorting through it before it is approved to be paid.
- b. **Superintendent of Public Works**-Rich Brecklin stated the blower at Plant #1 fell apart so it is getting rebuilt. The overgrowth at plant needs to be cleaned up. The staff is working on lift station p.m.'s and have finished up on the grinder p.m.'s due to the weather. Rich has looked at the transmap information from Tri-County it is missing some information although he is pleased with the rating we got on our roads. Rich installed a light on the sign at First Responders Park.
- c. **Village Attorney**-Bill Streeter and Chuck Urban wished the board a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
- d. **Village President**-Mike Hinrichsen stated that Ryan Spain has put in for some funds for the Village to use on sewer improvements as he has been very supported. We will need to contact Win Stoller once he comes on board.

## 11. Communications to the Board-None

**12. Adjournment**-A motion was made by Stephanie Chaon to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. The motion was seconded by Jim O'Laughlin. **Motion passed #12.**  
Ann Sasso, Village Clerk