

**Village of Germantown Hills
Village Board Meeting Minutes
April 27, 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.

Village President/Trustees	Roll Call	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14-16
Mike Hinrichsen – President	Present														
Julia Miller(electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
Stephanie Chaon(electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
Dick Hartman(electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
Jim O’Laughlin(electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
Marty Clinch(electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
Todd Rice(electronic)	Present	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						

Mike Hinrichsen, Rich Brecklin and Ann Sasso were at the village hall on the speaker phone. All other board members attended 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 but there was no public in attendance.

Also, in attendance:

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

Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Minutes Approval

a. March 19, 2020 Village Board Meeting

A motion was made by Marty Clinch to approve the March 19, 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. Approval of the contractor’s application for payment #11 for the WWTP #1 Peak Flow Phase 2 Project

b. A motion was made by Marty Clinch to approve the contractor’s application for payment #11 for the WWTP #1 Peak Flow Phase 2 Project in the amount of \$114,354. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **Motion passed #2.**

c. **Approval of the IEPA Loan Disbursement Request #11 for the WWTP #1 Peak Flow Phase 2 Project**

A motion was made by Jim O’Laughlin to approve the IEPA Loan Disbursement request #11 for the WWTP #1 Peak Flow Phase 2 Project in the amount of \$133,597.93. The motion was seconded by Dick Hartman. **Motion passed #3.**

d. **Approval of the IEPA Change Order #2 for the WWTP #1 Peak Flow Phase 2 Project**

A motion was made by Jim O’Laughlin to approve the IEPA change order #2 for the WWTP Peak Flow Phase 2 project. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #4.**

e. **Approval of a Resolution to submit an advisory referendum to be placed on the ballot at the November 3, 2020 election (Cannabis Dispensaries)**

A motion was made by Jim O’Laughlin to approve Resolution 2020-01 a Resolution to submit an advisory referendum to be placed on the ballot at the November 3, 2020 election (Cannabis Dispensaries). The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #5.**

Ann Sasso will coordinate the next steps with Woodford County.

f. **Approval to accept and award the bid for the 2020 MFT program**

The low responsible bidder was Tazewell County Asphalt in the amount of \$335,322.80. Rich Brecklin explained how the road project would be funded this year. The MFT fund is projected to have approximately \$188,000 by the end of the year. In addition, the plan is to utilize \$72,000 in the Road & Bridge Fund, \$28,000 in the Garbage Street Fund, with \$47,322 out of the general fund. Rich noted we had originally had \$200,000 in the general road budget but reduced it to \$100,000. This will leave approximately \$52,000 available if funds fall short and for other needed road repairs. Rich identified the estimated costs per street.

Jim O’Laughlin had expressed concern at the last meeting with the total amount of funds potentially needed out of the general fund but noted in looking at the numbers it isn’t as bad as he had initially thought.

A motion was made by Dick Hartman to accept and award the bid for the 2020 MFT program to Tazewell County Asphalt. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **Motion passed #6.**

g. **Discussion on the FY 20-21 Budget**

Mike Hinrichsen noted some concerns about the budget in regards to not knowing the impact of COVID 19 on revenues, if there will be a second wave, the potential for next year’s flu season and the State’s financial position. Mike noted the need to be conservative and will look to pass the budget in May.

Ann Sasso stated that in putting the budget together that she and Rich Brecklin had kept most line items level and didn’t increase or change anything that is not needed at this time.

6. Ongoing Agenda Items-None

7. Presentation of Bills

a. General/Sewer/Audit/MFT Bills-A motion was made by Jim O’Laughlin to approve the general and sewer bills. The motion was seconded by Marty Clinch. **Motion passed #7.**

8. Reports of Standing Committees

a. **Finance**-None

b. **Streets/Equipment**-None

c. **Personnel**-Julia Miller reported that there had been an administrative hearing with herself, the Unemployment Administrative Judge, Attorney Chuck Urban, Rich Brecklin, and Ann Sasso on a former employee’s unemployment claim. Chuck Urban reported the Village is contesting the claim as the original claim only focused on the employee being tardy. Chuck noted all the evidence and testimony were presented. The Village will wait for the determination.

d. **Police**-Marty Clinch briefly updated the board that due to Woodford County eliminating part time Deputies that the Village will need to go to a full-time Deputy, which will be an increase in the police budget. Marty will be scheduling a police committee meeting to discuss a new agreement.

e. **Parks**-Dick Hartman stated a park committee meeting will be scheduled to talk about the Community Center and the next phase at Germantown Crossing.

f. **Sewer**-Jim O’Laughlin noted there was an incident that MTCO when they were running their fiber, they hit a village main in Fandel Farm. Rich Brecklin had the repair made but the Village will have to pay for the damage. Jim explained there was no tracer wire in the pipe as years ago the village board didn’t require it.

g. **Storm Water**-Nothing new to report.

h. **Economic Development Council**-Nothing new to report.

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

10. Reports of Officers

a. **Zoning Officer/Village Clerk/Village Administrator**-None

b. **Superintendent of Public Works**-Rich Brecklin stated the welcome lot is almost complete. The flags and benches should be installed next week. The fire department is going to help with the watering of the trees. The sewer project is going well.

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 Marty Clinch to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 p.m. The motion was seconded by Todd Rice. **Motion passed #8.**
Ann Sasso, Village Clerk