

VILLAGE OF NORTH UTICA
North Utica, IL 61373
Meeting of the Board of Trustees

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April 9, 2020

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AGENDA

- I. **7:00 p.m.** - Call to Order Village Board Meeting
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Consent Agenda: Consideration and Possible Action for the Approval of a Consent Agenda including the following items:
 - 1.) Minutes: 03-12-2020; 03-17-2020
 - 2.) March 2020 Financial Stmts. / Summary / Revenue Reports
 - 3.) March 2020 Prepays
 - 4.) March 2020 A/P Bills
- V. Village Clerk
- VI. Director of Village Affairs:
 - 1.) Update on upcoming Village Events & Affairs
 - 2.) Consideration and Possible Action regarding Cycling Safety Signage being installed along 2803rd Rd., Utica, IL
 - 3.) Consideration and Possible Action regarding the renewal of the Village computer system Back-up and Server Warranty with Connecting Point at a cost not to exceed \$4125.47
- VII. Village Treasurer
- VIII. Finance Liaison
- IX. Police Department Liaison

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- X. Water / Sewer Liaison
- XI. Governmental Affairs Liaison:
 - 1.) General updates on Utica Business Association
- XII. Park & Recreation Liaison
- XIII. Streets, Lights & Alleys Liaison
- XIV. Building / Zoning Enforcement
- XV. Maintenance Department
 - 1.) Updates on any ongoing / upcoming projects in the Village
- XVI. Village Engineer:
 - 1.) Updates on any ongoing / upcoming projects in the Village
- XVII. Village Attorney
- XVIII. Village President:
 - 1.) Discussion and Consideration of a Motion to proceed with Downstate Small Business Stabilization Grant Program
- XIX. Committees / Trustees
 - 1.) Committee Assignment updates
 - 2.) Trustee Reports
- XX. Public Comment
- XXI. Adjournment

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MINUTES

At 7:00 pm the meeting was called to Order by Village President David Stewart who then led the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was held via remote access due to COVID-19. Village Clerk Laurie Gbur recorded meeting attendance. Present for the meeting were Trustees John Schweickert, Nate Holland, Ron Pawlak, Debbie Krizel, Mary Pawlak and Jim Schrader. Also present were Village Attorney Herb Klein, Village Engineer Kevin Heitz, Director of Village Affairs Jamie Turczyn and Public Works Director Curt Spayer.

Consent Agenda: It was motioned by Trustee M. Pawlak, seconded by Trustee Schweickert to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- 1.) Minutes: 03-12-2020; 03-17-2020
- 2.) March 2020 Financial Stmts. / Summary / Revenue Reports
- 3.) March 2020 Prepays
- 4.) March 2020 A/P Bills

6 Yes

Motion Carried

Village Clerk: NONE

Director of Village Affairs:

The Easter Egg Hunt has been canceled due to COVID-19. Instead there will be an Easter Bunny Parade held by the Utica Fire Department. The parade will be similar to the annual Santa Parade. The Village has asked for there to be no groups of people so that social distancing can be observed by everyone.

It was motioned by Trustee M. Pawlak, seconded by Trustee Krizel to Table the item regarding Cycling Safety Signage being installed along 2803rd Rd., Utica, IL, pending further information from the Starve Rock Cycling Club.

6 Yes

Motion Carried

The Annual renewal of the Village's Barracuda Back -up system and the Server warranty for the Village Office and the Police Department was briefly discussed. It was then motioned by Trustee Schrader, seconded by Trustee Holland regarding the renewal of the Village computer system Back-up and Server Warranty with Connecting Point at a cost not to exceed \$4125.47

6 Yes

Motion Carried

Village Treasurer: NONE

Finance Liaison: NONE

Police Department Liaison: Chief Damron stated that the current requirement for social distancing due to COVID-19 is going well.

Water / Sewer Liaison: NONE

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Governmental Affairs Liaison: NONE

Park & Recreation Liaison: NONE

Streets, Lights & Alleys Liaison: NONE

Building / Zoning Enforcement: NONE

Maintenance Department: NONE

Village Engineer: Engineer Heitz provided a brief update on the ongoing projects in the Village.

IL River Bridge Project: The contractor will begin construction of the bridge deck very soon. The bridge approaches will also begin soon. There is also a possibility for funding opportunities that could help with the cost.

Village Road Project: The street assessment has not been completed yet. Mayor Stewart has requested that the Village hold off on doing a street assessment and a road project at this time.

Ridgeview Estates: Ameren will be installing street lights in the new part of the subdivision soon.

Village Attorney: NONE

Village President: Mayor Stewart spoke briefly about the Downstate Small Business Stabilization Program. The Program provides Grants to small businesses that have been adversely affected by COVID-19. The Village of North Utica has to submit the application on behalf of the businesses. Each eligible business can apply for Grant funding up to \$25,000. There are several requirements for eligibility for the funding and then once received, there are several requirements and some reporting that will need to be completed. A Public Hearing is required for the DSBSP and it would be held on May 6, 2020 at 6:30 pm. It was then motioned by Trustee Krizel, seconded by Trustee Schweickert to approve proceeding with the DSBSP Grant Application.

6 Yes

Motion Carried

It was then motioned by Trustee Holland, seconded by Trustee Schweickert to approve Canceling the May 14, 2020 Board meeting and rescheduling it for Wednesday, May 6, 2020 following the Public Hearing for the DSBSP Grant Application.

6 Yes

Motion Carried

Committee / Trustee Reports:

Trustee Schrader stated that he appreciated Mayor Stewart's efforts, as well as the efforts of everyone on staff at the Village, for handling things during the COVID-19 emergency situation. Everyone agreed.

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Public Comment: Mr. Tom Collins, LaSalle News Tribune, stated that he is resuming coverage of the Village of North Utica and he is pleased to be returning. The Board welcomed him back.

Adjournment: With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm; Motion made by Trustee Schrader, seconded by Trustee Holland.

All in Favor

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie A. Gbur
Village Clerk