

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE GURNEE VILLAGE BOARD**

**GURNEE VILLAGE HALL  
FEBRUARY 17, 2020**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Kovarik called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Other Officials in Attendance**

Patrick Muetz, Village Administrator; David Ziegler, Assistant Village Administrator / Community Development Director; Heather Galan, Village Engineer; Bryan Winter, Village Attorney; Brian Gosnell, Finance Director; Christine Palmieri, Director of Human Resources; John Kavanagh, Fire Chief; Brian Smith, Police Chief; Jesse Gonzalez, Deputy Police Chief; Jeremy Gaughan, Police Commander; Ellen Dean, Economic Development Director; Jack Linehan, Assistant to the Administrator

**Roll Call**

**PRESENT: 4- O'Brien, Balmes, Thorstenson, Ross**  
**ABSENT: 2- Garner, Hood**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Kovarik led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**A. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Trustee Balmes, seconded by Trustee Thorstenson to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**Roll call,**

**AYE: 4- O'Brien, Balmes, Thorstenson, Ross**  
**NAY: 0- None**  
**ABSENT: 2- Garner, Hood**  
**Motion Carried.**

**B. CONSENT AGENDA / OMNIBUS VOTE**

The Village Administrator read the consent agenda for an omnibus vote as follows:

1. Approval of minutes from the February 3, 2020 meeting.
2. Approval of request from Information Systems Division to set a bid date of March 9, 2020 for 2020 Network Equipment Project #1.
3. Approval of Engineering Division's recommendation to award the Depot Road Path Extension Project to the low bidder, Maneval Paving, at a cost of \$58,236.00.
4. Approval of Payroll for period ending January 31, 2020 in the amount of \$902,128.83.
5. Approval of Bills for the period ending February 17, 2020 in the amount of \$1,170,111.76.

It was moved by Trustee Balmes, seconded by Trustee Ross to approve the Consent Agenda for an omnibus vote as read.

**Roll call,**

**AYE: 4- O'Brien, Balmes, Thorstenson, Ross**  
**NAY: 0- None**  
**ABSENT: 2- Garner, Hood**  
**Motion Carried.**

**C. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Administration of Oath of Office for the promotion of Firefighter/Paramedic Joseph Olsen to Fire Lieutenant.

Mayor Kovarik administered the Oath of Office. Chief Kavanagh briefly spoke about Lieutenant Olsen. Lieutenant Olsen introduced his family and thanked everyone for coming out in support.

2. Administration of Oath of Office for the promotion of Firefighter/Paramedic John McNeill to Fire Lieutenant.

Mayor Kovarik administered the Oath of Office. Chief Kavanagh briefly spoke about Lieutenant McNeill. Lieutenant McNeill I introduced his family and thanked everyone for coming out in

support.

**D. REPORTS**

Mayor Kovarik said that there were no discussion topics on the agenda for the February 24th Committee of the Whole meeting and asked the Trustees if they would like to cancel the meeting.

It was moved by Trustee Balmes, seconded by Trustee Ross to cancel the Committee of the Whole meeting for February 24, 2020.

**Voice Vote: ALL AYE: Motion Carried.**

**E. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**F. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approval of Ord. 2020 – 10 authorizing a Professional Services Agreement to conduct additional ambient air sampling between the Village of Gurnee and GHD Services, Inc. (IEPA-funded air sampling contract).

Administrator Muetz said due to the desire to conduct sampling after Medline has its controls in place and operational, the Lake County Health Department reached out to GHD Services and requested a quote for additional sampling. This will include continuing to sample from the sites around Vantage. As proposed, the sampling will take place over a 30-day period with samples taken every third day from six separate locations (60 samples total). This approach is similar to the efforts that has already taken place. The total cost for the Gurnee portion is \$25,000 and will adequately be covered by the funding the State has committed. This additional data will be forwarded to the ATSDR for use in its risk assessment. The agreement is very similar to the first two agreements and has been reviewed by staff from each agency as well as Attorney Winter. An identical agreement will be considered by the City of Waukegan.

It was moved by Trustee O'Brien, seconded by Trustee Thorstenson to approve of Ord. 2020 – 10 authorizing a Professional Services Agreement to conduct additional ambient air sampling between the Village of Gurnee and GHD Services, Inc. (IEPA-funded air sampling contract).

**Roll call,**

**AYE: 4- O'Brien, Balmes, Thorstenson, Ross**

**NAY: 0- None**

**ABSENT: 2- Garner, Hood**

**Motion Carried.**

**G. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**Closing Comments**

None.

**Adjournment**

It was moved by Trustee Balmes, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to adjourn the meeting.

**Voice Vote: ALL AYE: Motion Carried.**

Mayor Kovarik adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

**Andrew Harris,  
Village Clerk**