7:30 p.m. The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Klein, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. A roll call was answered aye by Wilson, Ruhmann, Geppert, Hampton and Boden. Hamon was absent. Sandy Stolte, Attorney Dennis and Tyler Liefer were also present.

The board reviewed the minutes from the May 6th board meeting.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Ruhmann to approve the board minutes as presented. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

**VISITORS**
Dan Smith, John Feder, Debby and Terry Politsch, Keith Moran

Terry Politsch said the new welcome sign donated by the Lions Club was installed.

**LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS**
Keith Moran of Moran Economic Development was present to review the TIF steps and the adoption of resolutions and ordinances. The first resolution to pass is for the intent to reimburse for certain redevelopment project costs.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Ruhmann to adopt Resolution 2019.05 declaring an intent to reimburse certain project redevelopment costs. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Keith Moran said the next resolution to adopt is the feasibility study. This resolution is required in the TIF district process. Trustee Ruhmann said he spoke with Jared of Moran Economic Development and they are changing the map to go down Market Street to include the nursing home apartments. It was explained it’s easier to deduct properties from the map than to add properties to the map later. Keith explained how the TIF works and answered questions from the visitors. Keith said the cost to set up the TIF is about $30,000. The TIF lasts 23 years. The return on a TIF takes 2–3 years.

Trustee Boden made a motion; seconded by Trustee Ruhmann to adopt Resolution 2019.06 providing for a feasibility study on the designation of areas as redevelopment project areas. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Keith Moran said the next step is to adopt the ordinance to establish interested party’s registry and rules.

Trustee Ruhmann made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to adopt Ordinance 2019.01 authorizing the establishment of a TIF interested parties
registry and adopting registration rules. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Keith Moran presented the feasibility and eligibility study for TIF II. 83% of the buildings in the proposed area are 35 years or older. Two hundred of the structures are deteriorating. Properties in the area have lost nearly $475,000 in equalized assessed valuation from 2013 to 2018. The utilities are aging, and the streets and sidewalks have issues.

Trustee Boden made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to proceed with the TIF plan. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Keith Moran said the last motion for TIF is to approve to place the TIF plan and feasibility study on file and send the TIF plan and feasibility study to all affected taxing districts.

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Trustee Ruhmann made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to place the TIF plan and feasibility study on file and approve sending to the affected taxing districts. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

The next step is to approve to set a public hearing for August 5th at 6:30 P.M. at the next board meeting.

**WATER & SEWER**
The committee to meet to discuss water rates.

**STREETS & ALLEYS**
Nothing new to report

**PARK & PUBLIC PROPERTY**
Trustee Hampton reported the committee met prior to the board meeting to make an offer to Scott Ford on two parcels of property in the industrial park. It was said the two lots cannot be built on and he is going to use for storage of his materials.

**CEMETERY**
Trustee Hampton reported the disinterment fees need to be raised by $100 each to be in line with the increases on the interment fees the board previously voted on. The increase will be on Ordinance 9-3-2 (B) 2, 3 & 4.

Trustee Hampton made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to approve to
raise the disinterment fees $100 on Ordinance 9-3-2 (B) 2, 3 & 4. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

PUBLIC SAFETY & ADA
Nothing new to report

POLICE
Nothing new to report

PERSONNEL
Mayor Klein asked to go into executive session at the end of the meeting.

Delta Dental sent the two-year renewal. There is no increase again for the next two years. The single rate is $32.12, single plus 1 rate is $66.65 and the family rate is $111.27 per month.

Trustee Boden made a motion; seconded by Trustee Ruhmann to enter a two-year dental plan renewal with Delta Dental. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Trustee Geppert doesn't have the background check back to hire the EMT tonight.

GRANTS
Nothing new to report

PUBLIC BUILDINGS
Nothing new to report

ORDINANCE REVIEW
Nothing new to report

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TREASURERS TIME
The board reviewed the monthly treasurer's report.

Trustee Boden made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to approve the monthly treasurer's report as presented. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Sandy Stolte noted $40,000 was transferred to general account from a CD to cover expenses.

CLERKS TIME
The Illinois Department of Natural Resources license 6190 is up for renewal. The 5-year lease if for the South Lift Station costing $1,100.
Trustee Ruhmann made a motion; seconded by Trustee Hampton to enter into the five-year lease agreement with IDNR for $1,100. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Michelle Neff reported Jenniqual S. Johnson with the Census Bureau stopped in and reviewed the importance of Census 2020 and setting up a complete count committee to get the word out. The board agreed to do what they could to get the word out.

**MAYOR's TIME**
Nothing new to report

**OTHER BUSINESS**
Ameren is requesting to extend the gas line easement on two parcels at the north end of town by the levee. They currently have a 20-foot easement and are requesting an additional 30-foot easement. Attorney Dennis didn't have any issues with Ameren's easement agreement.

Trustee Ruhmann made a motion; seconded by Trustee Geppert to approve Mayor Klein sign the Ameren easement agreement. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Trustee Geppert asked about cleaning up some of the vacant houses in town. Attorney Dennis would like four address of vacant houses to start with. Trustee Geppert will get the addresses to Attorney Dennis.

Trustee Boden made a motion; seconded by Trustee Ruhmann to enter executive session at 8:47 p.m. under personnel with Tyler Liefer. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

Trustee Boden made a motion; seconded by Trustee Ruhmann to return to regular session at 9:07 p.m. A vote was answered aye by Hampton, Ruhmann, Wilson, Boden and Geppert.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Michelle Neff
Village Clerk

Richard Klein
Village President