

**VILLAGE OF MAHOMET  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
JULY 26, 2016**

The Village of Mahomet Board of Trustees met, Tuesday July 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Village of Mahomet Administrative Offices, 503 E. Main St., Mahomet, IL.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bruce Colravy, Vicki Cook, Andy Harpst, Donald Lynn, Bill Oliger and Brian Metzger

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting Village President Sean Widener, Village Administrator Patrick Brown, Village Clerk Cheryl Sproul, Jim Evans Village Attorney, Mike Metzler Police Chief, Terry Townsend, Andrea Decker, Don Elmore and Amelia Benner editor of the Mahomet Citizen

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL**

Acting President Widener called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call was taken and a quorum was present.

**DON ELMORE – SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

Mr. Elmore presented a short Power Point presentation which highlighted the goals of the Small Business Development Center. He stated they offer one on one confidential business advising at no cost. He said his job was to meet with anyone interested in business whether they have been in business for many years or just getting started. He stated the staff assists with business plans, business models, networking, financial advice and other facets of business.

He noted they hold workshops and that he hosts a Starting Your Business in Illinois workshop that has been very well received.

Elmore stated, Cathy Cravens holds a position in the International Trade Center, and she was very helpful if a business wants to import/export.

Elmore stated he had lived here for a long time and that helped him assist others with networking.

Elmore stated they have 8 clients in Mahomet but could not reveal their identity due to confidentiality, but stated the businesses range from food to technology.

Elmore stated they have 350 clients and 200 of those had been added since he came in March 2015.

He noted that Mahomet, based on population was not far off compared to other towns its size.

Elmore stated this department makes good use of social media and traditional media and were looking to get involved in local events to make themselves more visible.

Elmore stated they were fortunate to be hosted by the Champaign County Economic Development Commission. He noted that many other SBDCs were closing because they were hosted by local Community Colleges and the colleges were struggling with their own finances and could no longer host them.

Elmore stated the SBDC had strong support from the surrounding communities.

Elmore opened the floor to questions and thanked the Board for their time.

There were no questions. Widener thanked Elmore for taking the time to come and make his presentation.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Terry Townsend reviewed his career noting that he served on Champaign County Housing Authority for 10 years.

He stated he was not there to ask anything of them but to inform them on the affect they can expect from the proposed Senior Housing that was proposed. He noted the affects could be anything from traffic to gun violence. He stated when he found out that Mahomet was discussing Senior Housing, he wanted to make the Board aware of what could be expected. He added that he had spoken to many other communities about the same issue.

He noted that the Housing Authority cannot limit the residents to Mahomet residents only. He stated the comment that was made that most residents would be from Mahomet was setting the stage for litigation.

Townsend stated that Fisher's Board decided not to rezone a piece of property for the Housing Authority, but the Housing Authority bought the property anyway. He said Fisher has kept this from happening in their community, at least for now.

He stated public housing was pushing into our county and now into Mahomet and the Board may be in store for a rude awakening as to what that bring with it.

He stated on a County level local communities have remained silent and no one seems to care until it ends up in their neighborhood.

He encouraged the Board to pay attention to "moving to work". He stated he would be making a presentation to the Champaign County Board on August 5<sup>th</sup> and that his presentation would be more involved than what he presented to the Board.

He noted there was a federal investigation on the way funds are being used by RPC. He reminded the Board that whatever happens would be under this Board's watch. He stated if the Board did not have the correct information strange things can happen.

He stated the Housing Authority was redesigning the county and the municipalities are being silent.

He stated HUD's comment about the enormous amount of money being spent was that this was the responsibility of local officials and they are supposed to be on top of things like this.

He thanked them for his time.

Evans stated he had know Townsend for many years and asked him to tell the Board how he spent his career in Champaign.

He stated he had been a member of Champaign County Housing Authority for about 10 years. He worked for the Secretary of State. He also worked in Public Aid in the child support division. He had been an Administrator at the University of Illinois and an honor grad of the U of I twice. He stated he started out as a teenager in gangs.

**CONSENT AGENDA: (TO BE ACTED UPON)**

**A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. BOARD OF TRUSTEES – JUNE 28, 2016
2. STUDY SESSION – JULY 12, 2016
3. STUDY SESSION – JULY 19, 2016

**B. RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS**

1. TREASURER'S REPORT
2. BILL LIST
3. RESOLUTION 16-07-01, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FIELD LIGHTING FROM ALLPURPOSE ERECTORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,900.00
4. RESOLUTION 16-07-02, A RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE POLICE VEHICLE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,150 VILLAGE OF MAHOMET, CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS
5. REOSLUTION 16-07-03, A RESOLUTION FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – CONCERNING THE FINAL PLAT FOR HARVEST EDGE FIRST SUBDVISION.

**Harpst moved, Metzger seconded, "TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA." ROLL CALL: ALL YES. Motion carried.**

**OTHER ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS (TO BE ACTED UPON)**

**TRANSPORTATION:**

**ORDINANCE 16-07-01, AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A STOP INTERSECTION AT CERTAIN LOCATION:**

Brown stated there had been no changes since the discussion at the Study Session.

**Lynn moved, Colravy seconded, "TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 16-07-01, AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A STOP INTERSECTION AT CERTAIN LOCATION." ROLL CALL: ALL YES. Motion carried.**

**ORDINANCE 16-07-02, AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF MAHOMET:**

Brown reviewed the changes made since the Study Session, which included prohibiting parking 75 feet from the intersection of Dianne and Jennifer and Oda and Jennifer.

Cook questioned how long a block was and voiced concern that the 75 feet was excessive.

Brown stated, under State law, it is illegal to park within 15 ft. of the cross walk.

Brown noted Jennifer Drive would be made a snow route in the future.

He stated white flags have been in place for approximately a week.

Cook voiced her concern that if two 75 ft. sections were prohibited parking that would take up the majority of the available parking. Brown stated it would not impact it as much as it would seem. He stated there is more room than it sounds.

Brown stated if the Board wanted to make it 50 ft. it could be revised to reflect the change.

Brown stated staff would like to get as many cars off the street as possible.

Widener stated he estimated Jennifer was probably 1,000 ft long.

Andrea Decker, who lived at 212 Dianne Lane, stated her concern was the no parking would force people to park on Dianne, but after the discussion she was felt it was acceptable.

Brown stated Crowley had marked with flags, 25 ft, 50 ft., and 75 ft. so they could see the distances.

Brown stated the next Ordinance on the agenda would be limiting parking for two I-hour time limits.

Cook stated she talked to residents on that corner and they are concerned with parking being forced onto Dianne and creating visibility issues.

She stated need to look at the whole picture not just solved one problem.

**Cook moved, Colravy seconded, "TO AMEND ORDINANCE 16-07-02 TO READ 50 FT AT EACH OCCURANCE WHERE 75 FEET OCCURRED". ROLL CALL: ALL YES. Motion carried.**

**Lynn moved, Harpst seconded, "TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 16-07-02, AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF MAHOMET, AS AMENDED." ROLL CALL: ALL YES. Motion carried.**

**ORDINANCE 16-07-03, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT ON STREETS UNDER LOCAL JURISDICTION:**

Brown stated he gave an interview and off camera he mentioned pedestrian safety and mentioned the kids playing Pokemon. The reporter highlighted the Pokemon comment. He noted he contacted the station stating his displeasure with the coverage and a reporter reworked the segment and the segment was rebroadcasted.

Brown noted a resident from County Ridge came in to the office to voice his appreciation for this action. There being no further discussion, **Harpst moved, Lynn seconded, "TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 16-07-03, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT ON STREETS UNDER LOCAL JURISDICTION." ROLL CALL: ALL YES. Motion carried.**

**ORDINANCE 16-07-04, AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING DURING DESIGNATED HOURS ON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF MAHOMET:**

Brown stated this was a spin off from the Jennifer Drive discussion. He stated this was one more way to make it safer in the morning and afternoon during high school traffic times.

He stated it was not uncommon to make a time restriction. He noted the recommendation was to make the west side of Jennifer no parking 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

He stated this will make the flow of traffic much safer.

Brown stated the east side of the street is no parking at any time already.

Metzger asked what happens if a car was parked on a snow route when activated. Evans stated the car has to be ticketed before it can be towed.

Cook stated she talked to residents and property owners in the area and they are fine with the compromise.

Brown stated the No Parking and limited parking will be effective Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> the first day of school.

**Metzger moved, Harpst seconded, "TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 16-07-04, AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING DURING DESIGNATED HOURS ON CERTAIN STREETS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF MAHOMET." ROLL CALL: ALL YES. Motion carried.**

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Brown had no report.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**AUGUST 2016 BOARD AND STUDY SESSION MEETING CALENDAR:**

Widener stated the Study Sessions in August would be held the 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and the August Board meeting would be held August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Lynn stated he would be absent on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Widener thanked Gibson City for hosting the CIMOA meeting and thanked Trustee Cook for attending.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Colravy stated meeting of the USRC had been cancelled.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, **Metzger moved, Lynn seconded, "TO ADJOURN AT 7:00 P.M." ROLL CALL: ALL YES. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Cheryl Sproul

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Village Clerk

approved as presented, August 23, 2016