

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 5, 2021**

Village President Missey Moorman Schumacher called the meeting to order at 6:24 p.m. and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken with Trustees Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum present.

Also present were Village Administrator Thomas Durkin, Director of Community Development and Information Systems Mike Petrick, Finance Director Heather Wagonblott, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Chief of Police Shane Casey, Village Attorney David Silverman and Village Clerk Kristin Hall.

**VP Moorman Schumacher informed everyone present that the meeting was being recorded and anyone speaking at the meeting deems his/her consent to the recording of their likeness and speech.**

**CITIZEN/SPECIAL REQUESTS/PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. Public Hearing – Village of Channahon Fiscal Year 2021–2022 Proposed Budget**

Trustee Greco made a motion to open the Public Hearing for the Village of Channahon Fiscal Year 2021–2022 Proposed Budget at 6:25 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Perinar.

Wagonblott stated she is very pleased to present the proposed budget for fiscal year ending April 30, 2022. She stated over the past few years, the Village has been fortunate to experience growth in revenue. She also stated this revenue growth has occurred without increasing the annual property tax rate or the institution of any new taxes to residents. She further stated the Village has also pursued diversification of the property tax base by approving non-residential development in an effort to stabilize the tax rate for the residents. She stated services provided to residents have been consistent, the safety of the community is commendable, and Channahon continues to be a community in which people want to live. She also stated the budget proposed tonight includes a fiscally responsible financial plan for the upcoming fiscal year. She further stated the Village's conservative approach to budgeting and thoughtful consideration related to all decisions made by the Village Board are demonstrated within this document. She stated the Village of Channahon has been expanding, developing and experiencing growth which has triggered the need to employ additional staff. She also stated the proposed budget includes hiring 2 full-time positions; 1 patrolman and 1 Executive Assistant/Records Administrator, both in the Police Department. She further stated both of the positions are new positions and will increase the Village's headcount and are deemed necessary as a result of the Village's growth. She stated the proposed budget includes a salary increase of 3.00% for non-union employees and union employees. She also stated please note that the Local 150 contract expires as of April 30, 2021. She further stated the proposed budget also includes the contractual salary increase of 3.00% for the MAP union employees (contract to expire on April 30, 2022). She stated capital budgeting is carefully determined by each department. She also stated included in the proposed budget are purchases of replacement vehicles for the police and public works departments and a new vehicle for the ESDA department. She further stated funds have also been included for the replacement of aged public works equipment, including a 3 dump trucks equipped for snow removal. She stated various capital projects are included in the proposed budget such as the

continuation of the Bridge Street Multi-Use Path extension, the expansion of other bike or recreation paths that are part of the network based on the comprehensive plan, and the design of the extension of Old Kerry Gove to Ridge Road. She also stated these projects are a great example of the pivotal infrastructure that is made possible due to the revenue received from Village fuel and diesel tax revenue, increased sales tax revenues and grant monies awarded by the State and Federal government. She further stated the proposed budget also includes various waste water treatment projects such as the redesign of Well #7, rehabilitation of Well #5, lift station SCADA updates, sanitary sewer system projects, and land acquisition for a new waste water treatment plant on the far west side of the Village. She stated a total of \$1.3 million is dedicated to the capital road program or annual road maintenance program. She also stated this is the same amount allotted to the road program in the prior fiscal year budget. She further stated the health of the road maintenance program is another example of what the Village is able to accomplish as a result of revenue received from Village fuel and diesel tax revenues. She stated the proposed budget is summarized in the budget ordinance which is also included for your review. She also stated the final budget ordinance will be brought before the Village Board on Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup> for final approval.

Casey stated we have an opportunity now to place an order for our squad cards, that may save us several thousand dollars. He stated that he would need to submit the order by April 8th. He also stated that it does not obligate us to buy the cars.

Board Direction was to place the order for the three squad cars.

No comments were provided by the public at the meeting. Finance Director Wagonblott stated she received an email from a resident who had a few questions/clarifications on the draft budget and those questions were answered to their satisfaction. This was also the first year the draft budget was provided online at our website for review rather than only having a copy at the Village Hall for review. The public was notified of the draft document availability through email notifications and social media posts.

Trustee Perinar made a motion to close the Public Hearing for the Village of Channahon Fiscal Year 2021–2022 Proposed Budget at 6:36 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Host.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Committee – March 15, 2021
- B.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Board – March 15, 2021
- C.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Executive Session – March 15, 2021
- D.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Special Budget Workshop – March 27, 2021
- E.** Approve Payment of Bills List of April 5, 2021 for \$280,211.80
- F.** Approve Payment of Manual Checks of April 5, 2021 for \$9,876.27
- G.** Approve Payment of Net Payroll Expenses for the period ending March 21, 2021 for \$132,734.31

Trustee Scaggs made a motion to approve the consent agenda as read. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

**A. VILLAGE PRESIDENT**

VP Moorman Schumacher stated she was very pleased to receive a message from John Grimmenga that one of our volunteers went to a Wilmington vaccination site to provide assistance and then went back the following Friday. She stated that she put that out on social media. She also stated that our volunteers are doing things beyond our community, which is nice to see. She further stated that Canal Clean-up is this Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, so if anyone is available and interested contact Deputy Chief Bogart. She stated that our first 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event will start in May which will be a Gem Hunt. She also stated that prizes will be local business gift cards and other items to help support our local businesses. She further stated that the April newsletter is out on social media. She stated that she contacted Matt Rittof to get the application in to name a street after Moose Malsky. She would like to have it in place by Moose’s birthday in August. She also requested a moment of silence for Durkin’s brother, Jim Durkin, who passed away this past week.

**B. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR**

**Consider Approval – A Special Ordinance Authorizing Ceding of Private Activity Bonding Authority – 2<sup>nd</sup> Read**

Trustee Scaggs made a motion to approve A Special Ordinance Authorizing Ceding of Private Activity Bonding Authority. Seconded by Trustee Slocum.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.**  
**NAYS: Host** **MOTION CARRIED**

**Consider Approval – An Ordinance Temporarily Suspending the Fee Increase for Coin-Operated Devices and Business Licenses – 2<sup>nd</sup> Read**

Trustee Slocum made a motion to waive second read and approve An Ordinance Temporarily Suspending the Fee Increase for Coin-Operated Devices and Business Licenses. Seconded by Trustee Perinar.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.**  
**NAYS: NONE** **MOTION CARRIED**

**C. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & INFORMATION**

**Reminder – Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting, Monday, April 12, 2021 at the Channahon Municipal Building at 6:00 p.m.**

Petrick stated the topic for the agenda is the Public Hearing for Creekside Estates, a proposed residential subdivision off of Bell Road. He stated it is a proposed duplex subdivision of 116 units.

VP Moorman Schumacher stated Tree for All, Sydney’s catchy slogan, represents a tree give away. We did have the opportunity to purchase saplings with money from an industrial development along Bradley Street east of I-55. She stated we have 1,000 saplings of 10-12 different species. She also stated that those will be giveaways, one per resident. She further stated that she would like to focus more on the children and get the kids planting more than

anything because they are little saplings and they can nurture them and watch them grow. She stated that if this goes well, she would like to continue to do this annually since so many trees were lost due to the Emerald Ash Borer.

#### **D. FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

**Consider Approval – An Ordinance Adopting the Village of Channahon Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 – 2022 (May 1, 2021 – April 30, 2022) – 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

VP Moorman Schumacher reminded the Board to get their comments to Wagonblott by April 14<sup>th</sup>.

This item was left as first read and will be brought back at the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **E. POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Casey stated he had no formal items.

#### **F. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**Consider Approval – DOKA Expanded Storage Yard – Release of Improvement Completion Guarantee**

**Consider Approval – Acceptance of Strand Associates Proposal for the Completion of Channahon’s Risk and Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan**

**Consider Approval – A Resolution to Accept a Public Utility and Drainage Easement**

Trustee Scaggs made a motion to approve DOKA Expanded Storage Yard – Release of Improvement Completion Guarantee, Acceptance of Strand Associates Proposal for the Completion of Channahon’s Risk and Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan and A Resolution to Accept a Public Utility and Drainage Easement. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Consider Approval – Hiring of Two Laborer Positions**

Trustee Perinar made a motion to approve the Hiring of Two Laborer Positions at the rate of \$48,178, pending conditional offer for employment. Seconded by Trustee Slocum.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, McMillin, Perinar, Scaggs and Slocum.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **G. VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

Village Attorney Silverman stated he had no report.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Trustee Sam Greco – Finance/Human Resources**

Trustee Greco reminded everyone to vote tomorrow, even though a majority of the races are uncontested, with the exception of the High School and the Junior College boards. He stated we need to get out and exercise our right to vote.

**Trustee Patricia Perinar – Community & Legislative Affairs – No Report.**

**Trustee Chantal Host – Public Safety/Emergency Support – No Report.**

**Trustee Scott McMillin – Natural Resources and Open Spaces – No Report.**

**Trustee Mark Scaggs – Public Works and Facility**

Trustee Scaggs stated that IDOT has been out there cleaning up both sides of I-55 and it is looking a lot better.

**Trustee Scott Slocum – Community Development**

Trustee Slocum stated that Delight Wish passed their occupancy inspection last week. He also stated that they passed the Health Department, as well. He further stated that they can open whenever they want and we will finally have a new restaurant in town.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Purchase or Lease of Real Estate**

Trustee Greco made a motion to open Executive Session at 6:53 p.m. for Purchase or Lease of Real Estate. Seconded by Trustee Scaggs.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, Perinar, McMillin, Scaggs and Slocum.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Trustee Perinar made a motion to close Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. for Purchase or Lease of Real Estate. Seconded by Trustee Scaggs.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Host, Perinar, McMillin, Scaggs and Slocum.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Perinar made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Scaggs.

**VERBAL ROLL CALL: ALL AYES**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Submitted by  
Kristin Hall  
Village Clerk**

