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# The Voice of the Village

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Hilbert, WI

October 2020

From the Village Board – Highlights from the Board Meeting:

**The Village Board approved the following:**

- To set the public hearing date for the 2021 budget for November 17, 2020 @ 7 p.m.
- To submit the 2021 Recycling Grant.
- The 2021 compensation package for the Village employees.
- The 2021 compensation package for the Fire Department.
- The First Responder contracts amounts for 2021.
- The Fire contracts amounts for 2021.
- The 2021 Police contract with Calumet County Sheriff's Department.
- The Payment Request #2 for the 2020 Utility & Street Improvements Project to MCC, Inc. in the amount of \$2,370.69.
- The application for an operator's license for Brad Gast, Shelby Lewis and Brooklyn Drewa.
- Ordinance 2020-03 amending Ordinance 7.06 Burning; this is in regards to portable fire pits.
- To approve the requests from the property owner located at 44 S. 7<sup>th</sup> St. to raze an existing garage after a new garage is constructed.
- To commit to supporting the Red Ribbon Week Proclamation which is Oct. 23-31, 2020.
- To cancel the Village's trick-or-treating hours that were set for Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>.
- To spend funds as approved by the Village President and Dennis DuPrey regarding the Routes to Recovery Grant Funds allocated from the state.

**The Village received notice of the following:**

- Notice of Revised Estimated 2<sup>nd</sup> Installment of Shared Revenue for 2020 in the amount of \$333,260.20.
- Notice of Estimated 2021 Shared Revenue Payment in the amount of \$406,537.95.
- Notice of Receipt of the Quarterly Street Aid Payment in the amount of \$13,094.34.
- Notice of the Estimated 2021 Street Aid Payment in the amount of \$60,233.90.
- Notice of the Estimated 2021 Video Service Provider Aid in the amount of \$2,306.83.

<b>Trick-or Treating Cancelled</b>
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At the October 20<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, after much discussion, it was decided that the Village will be canceling trick-or-treating, which was scheduled for October 31<sup>st</sup> within the Village. It was not an easy decision, but due to the on-going COVID-19 pandemic, the Board members felt that this was the best option in trying to keep residents safe. We apologize for any inconvenience and are hoping that the tradition can continue next year.

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## 2021 Budget

DuPrey presented the proposed 2021 budget for all funds to the Board. He explained the various factors that came into play with this proposed budget. As proposed, The Village would need \$58,201.00 from its unrestricted fund balance to meet all requests within the budget. This was discussed at length. President Breckheimer presented a listing of potential cuts where a little would be taken from each department to help reduce the amount needed from fund balance. These cuts would reduce the amount needed from fund balance to approximately \$33,351.00. In the end, the Board felt that this would be a more manageable figure to work with and decided to proceed with the proposed cuts. After incorporating the cuts presented the proposed 2021 expenditures is \$1,669,760.00. The Village tax rate will be \$8.245 compared to \$8.019 last year; which is an increase of \$0.23 per thousand. Copies of the proposed budget are available by contacting the Clerk's office.

## Poll Workers Call List

As of now, all the election shifts are staffed, but due to the uncertainty during this time we would like to have a contingency plan in place to ensure that we have enough workers. The shifts are approximately 7 hours long and the pay is \$11/hour. The position would entail assisting with the duties to carry out the election process. If you are interested in being put on this call list, please contact our Village office at 920-853-3241 or by e-mail at [hilbertclerk@villageofhilbert.com](mailto:hilbertclerk@villageofhilbert.com)

## Village Meadows Subdivision: Lots Available for Sale!

Welcome to Hilbert's newest subdivision! Village Meadows was created by the Village to help spur further residential development in conjunction with the Village's continued commercial and industrial growth. Located directly across the street from our largest industry, Sargento Foods and just south of the School District of Hilbert campus, this new subdivision is a great area to build your next home and locate your family! The first phase consists of 14 residential lots and is part of a 50-acre parcel that will only be developed for residential purposes. The lots are currently available for sale with the infrastructure anticipated to be completely installed by spring or early summer, weather permitting. If you are interested in purchasing one of these lots, or to see which lots are still available, please contact *Kendall Thiel at Thiel Real Estate at 920-849-2222 or 920-374-0501.*

**Presidential Election:** Tuesday, November 3, 2020 @ the Village Hall 7a.m. – 8 p.m.

**Public Hearing on Proposed 2021 Budgets:** Tuesday, November 17, 2020 @ 7 p.m. @ the Community Center.

**Next Regular Board Meeting:** Tuesday, November 17, 2020 immediately following the Public Hearing @ the Community Center.

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Village Clerk's Office: (920) 853-3241