

**VILLAGE OF HARTLAND  
VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES  
MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024 · 6:30 PM  
BOARD ROOM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 210 COTTONWOOD**

President Pfannerstill called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Present: President Pfannerstill, Trustees de Boer, Truttschel, Pfeiffer, Wallschlager, Conner, Hallquist

Others Present: Village Manager Bailey, Clerk Policello, Police Lieutenant DeBarge, Fire Chief Jambretz, DPW Interim Director Jenson, DPW Supervisor Jungbluth, Recreation Director Rennekamp

Pledge of Allegiance – President Pfannerstill

Public Comments: Please be advised the Village Board will receive comments from the public related to any item(s) for a three-minute time period per person, with time extensions per the Village President's discretion. This meeting will be recorded and will be available online through the Village's website.

Laura Groomwald – 273 Hazel lane. She wanted to bring to the Boards' attention that there are residents that find the amount of bell ringing to be excessively loud and frequent and it is having an adverse effect on the surrounding neighborhoods. This has been brought to the attention of the church by another resident with no action or resolution. The number of bell rings is excessive. Ryan forwarded her a handout that was provided by the church. They hear the bells ring approximately 98 times per week. They can be heard as far as Arrowhead High School, at Our Savior on Highway E, in the Chestnut Ridge subdivision and on Capitol Drive. She said the bells can be heard with doors and windows closed and she has video of this. The bells have rung for over 5 minutes. They ring at 7 am. St. Charles and the neighborhoods have existed since 1956 with little to no problem until the Village approved what now amounts to a mega church. She hopes St. Charles will work with the neighbors to find a resolution. She said bell ringing has lasted for at least 5 minutes multiple times per week. She is not anti-church.

Mike Cattoni, 313 Circle Drive, representing St. Charles. He is in constant contact with Ann Grevenkamp. They have met a few times and they are constantly emailing and talking to each other on the phone. They are working toward a compromise. At 8 am, noon and 6 pm there is a single bell toll that lasts 3 seconds; that is followed up by 2 more consecutive rings, also lasting 3 seconds. That is a total of 9 seconds with a 3 second pause; that rings for 36 seconds. After that there is a 4 bell peal when all the bells swing and that lasts 1 minute and 15 seconds, so the overall swing time this 1 minute and 51 seconds. This is run Monday through Friday and only at 8 am and noon on Saturday. He is happy to submit this to the Board for review along with the folks in the room. There is a 4 bell peal that lasts for 1 minute 15 seconds 5 minutes before mass; this happens Monday through Saturday at 8:25 am and then Saturday at 4:55 pm, 7 am, 8:55, 10:55 and 5:55, which is 5 minutes before mass, and that goes for 1 minutes 15 seconds. There is an hour strike at 9, 10, 11, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5; this is run M-Sat except for 5 pm Saturday because the 4 bell peal is at 4:55. Then Sunday no hour strikes and no peals, only that it rings after each mass. This is run by remote control and this is a learning process. If you hit the remote and don't hear anything and hit it multiple times, it will sequence that up, so that is a learning process for the ushers. At funerals there are 10 strikes, which last 41 seconds. There is a 4 bell peal for all weddings and that lasts from 3 to 5 seconds, by remote control. The bells are cast from bronze. They go on a 45% angle and when it comes back it hits the striker. He has had the company come and they lowered the angle to 30% for a crisper strike. They are trying to curb this for everyone. They swing, they are not motorized.

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Val Wisnewski – 511 Renson Road. She assumes that Board members that were absent from the last meeting took it upon themselves to view the last meeting, so she won't go through her public comments from last time. She said the work that was recently done on the bells made them louder; they fixed a third bell so there are now 3 tones. She said the bells now exceed the decibel level that is allowed by ordinance Article 10, Section 46 9.51(b). She reiterated her requests from last meeting. She said the bells ring at 7 am on Sunday mornings. She prefers no ringing on Sundays before 9 am, would compromise for 8 am. Would like the Village to take an official decibel reading. She wants the parking lot lights off by 11 pm, at least the ones by Renson Road. She would like someone from the Village to get in touch with her before the next meeting with what we have done or if we plan on doing anything.

1. Consideration of Village Board minutes of June 24, 2024.

Motion (Conner/Hallquist) to approve the June 10, 2024 minutes. All were in favor, **motion carried**. Abstain - Pfeiffer and Pfannerstill

2. Items related to vouchers

- a. Discussion and consideration of payment to American Sewer Services, Inc. for payment no. 2 for the 2024 Utilities Program in the amount of \$ 68,010.00.

DPW Interim Director Jenson said they have reviewed the project and staff recommends payment of \$68,010.00.

Motion (Wallschlager/Hallquist) to approve payment to American Sewer Services, Inc. for payment no. 2 for the 2024 Utilities Program in the amount of \$ 68,010.00. All were in favor, **motion carried**.

- b. Consideration of vouchers for payment in the amount of \$ 195,318.15.

Motion (Wallschlager/Truttschel) to approve vouchers for payment in the amount of \$195,318.15. All were in favor, **motion carried**.

3. Actions related to Licenses and Permits

- a. Review and possible action of Special Event Application, St. Charles Fall Fest, September 6 – 8, 2024
  - i. Consideration of Special Class B – St. Charles Fall Fest

Keith Van De Laarschot, he is the St. Charles Fall Fest chairman for his 14<sup>th</sup> year. The hours will be the same as last year, noon to 11 pm on Friday and Saturday; noon to 6 pm on Sunday. Everything done in the past is what you should see this year.

Motion (Hallquist/Conner) to approve the St. Charles Special Event Application for Fall Fest. All were in favor, **motion carried**.

Motion (Hallquist/Conner) to approve the special class B license for St. Charles Fall Fest. All were in favor, **motion carried**.

Other Items for Consideration

4. Consideration of letter of engagement for audit services by Baker Tilly for 2024-2026.

Village Manager Bailey is recommending another three year contract with Baker Tilly.

Motion (Pfeiffer/Hallquist) to approve the letter of engagement for audit services by Baker Tilly for 2024-2026. All were in favor, **motion carried.**

5. Second Reading of Bill for an Ordinance No. 06/24/2024-A “An Ordinance Amending Sec. 70-1, Operation of Motor Vehicles in Village Parks”.

Motion (Truttschel/Conner) to suspend the rules for all park ordinance amendments. Truttschel clarified that his motion was for all 5 ordinances on this agenda. All were in favor, **motion carried.**

Second reading completed.

Motion (Pfeiffer/Wallschlager) to approve Bill for an Ordinance No. 06/24/2024-A. All were in favor, **motion carried.**

6. Second Reading of Bill for an Ordinance No. 06/24/2024-B “An Ordinance Amending Sec. 70-2, Pertaining To Animals”.

Second reading completed.

Motion (Wallschlager/Pfeiffer) to approve Bill for an Ordinance 06/24/2024-B. All were in favor, **motion carried.**

7. Second Reading of Bill for an Ordinance No. 06/24/2024-C “ An Ordinance Amending Sec. 70-3, Pertaining To Park Hours”.

Second reading completed.

Motion (Conner/Hallquist) to approve Bill for an Ordinance 06/24/2024-C. All were in favor, **motion carried.**

8. Second Reading of Bill for an Ordinance No. 06/24/2024-D “An Ordinance Amending Sec. 70-4, Posting of Notices, Rules and Regulations for Proper Conduct In And Use Of The Village Parks”.

Second reading completed.

Motion (Pfeiffer/de Boer) to approve Bill for an Ordinance 06/24/2024-D. All were in favor, **motion carried.**

9. Second Reading of Bill for an Ordinance No. 06/24/2024-E “An Ordinance Amending Sec. 70-5, Pertaining To Allowing The Sale Of Fermented Malt Beverages Within Specific Park Land Areas”.

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Second reading completed.

Motion (Conner/Hallquist) to approve Bill for an Ordinance 06/24/2024-E. All were in favor, **motion carried.**

10. Announcements: The following individuals will be given an opportunity to make announcements at the meeting in regard to (1) activities taken since the previous meeting on behalf of the community, (2) future municipal activities, and (3) communications received from citizens. It is not contemplated that these matters will be discussed or acted upon. The following individuals may provide announcements: Village President or individual Village Board members or Village Manager or other Village Staff members.

DPW Interim Director Jenson said Austin Bucholz of DPW passed his water distribution operator certification; they now have 11 of 13 employees certified. Paving will begin this week in the River Reserve subdivision.

Recreation Director Rennekamp thanked the many volunteers, staff members, board members, park board members for their support that made the Hometown Celebration a success. The Kid Zone was a new addition for Friday. There was great attendance Saturday for Bella Cain and fireworks by Five Star. She thanked our presenting sponsor, Culvers of Hartland for their \$15,000 donation, \$5000 donations by GFL Environmental, US Bank Corp. and 23 other sponsors for the event and parade. Rennekamp hopes to continue to grow the event and make it better next year.

Police Lt. De Barge said they have an accepted offer by their top candidate for the part-time administrative position, who has moved to the background investigation step. He said there were no issues noted during the Hometown Celebration and thanked everyone involved.

Trustee Hallquist thanked everyone that participated in the Hometown Celebration.

Trustee Truttschel said the event was awesome and thanked Director Rennekamp and everyone involved.

President Pfannerstill said the Hometown Celebration and parade were fantastic. It was nice to see so many people celebrating Hartland. He thanked all the volunteers. July 20<sup>th</sup> is the Street Dance, long-standing tradition planned by the Chamber of Commerce; Stetson & Lace will be performing. They are still looking for volunteers; Pfannerstill encouraged people to volunteer.

11. Adjournment

Motion (Pfeiffer/Conner) to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 pm. All were in favor, **motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Sandee Policello  
Village Clerk