

VILLAGE OF COTTAGE GROVE
SPECIAL MEETING OF VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, March 29, 2021

MINUTES

1. Call to order

Village President John Williams called the Special Meeting of Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:01 pm. this was a Zoom meeting.

2. Determination of quorum and that the agenda was properly posted.

It was determined that there was a quorum of members present and that the agenda was properly posted. Village Board members present were: John Williams, Troy Allen, Heidi Murphy, Sarah Valencia. Melissa Ratcliff, Jeff Lennberg and Paul VanderVelde were absent and excused. Staff present were Village Administrator Matt Giese, Village Clerk Lisa Kalata, Kevin Lord and Village Attorney Larry Konopacki.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC APPEARANCES – *Public's opportunity to speak.*

Michael Mellom and Dawn Douglas-Mellom- 504 E Dentaria Dr- were present to express concerns with possible carcinogens that have been released since they have lived in the area.

5. New Business

a. Public forum and informational discussion regarding Hydrite Chemical Company and environmental regulations related to Hydrite's operations.

Williams indicated that the reason for the informational meeting was to get information on the reason Hydrite was fined for air pollution and what has been done to correct the issue. Barbara Paviliscak from the WDNR was present along with Steve Martin and Luke Lampo. Victoria Nelson was present from the EPA along with Mary Mcaulif and Josh Slinge Tom Miazga and Dan Wojciechowicz from Hydrite Chemicals were also present and gave a brief background on the operations at Hydrite. They also explained that they were fined because the equipment they were using to monitor was not the same as EPA and they have since changed the equipment and they also use a third-party company to do the monitoring. Trustee Murphy had a list of questions that was asked of Hydrite and the agencies that regulate the operations. Rebecca Ninke-3004 Mourning Dove has several questions and concerns with the release of chemicals and the monitoring at Huston Park. Anne Schoenemann- 205 Yarrow Hill Dr. had concerns with monitoring the ground water and would like contact information of the agencies that regulate the operations.

6. Adjournment

Motion by Allen to adjourn at 7:29 p.m., seconded by Valencia. **Motion** carried with a voice vote of 4-0-0.

Lisa Kalata, Clerk
Village of Cottage Grove
Approved:

These minutes represent the general subject matter discussed in this meeting but do not reflect a verbatim documentation of the subjects and conversations that took place.