

The Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Delhi was held on Monday, **April 1, 2024** at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall Boardroom.

Present: Mayor: Jeffrey Gearhart
Trustees: Jeremy Fitch, Ian Lamont, Janet Tweed and Barbara Sturdevant

The meeting started at 6:02 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Trustee Sturdevant and seconded by Trustee Tweed and passed unanimously to approve the following:

Deputy Mayor: Jeremy Fitch
Village Attorney: Roemer, Wallens, Gold & Mineaux, LLP
Code Enforcement Officer: Josh Morgan
Health Officer: Regina Krzyston

The appointment for Village Historian was tabled, as Mayor Gearhart needs to talk to Gabrielle Pierce as well as others who have shown interest in this position as well.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to establish the official meeting time of the Village Board as the third Monday of every month, except that it is to be the fourth Monday in January and February, at 6:00 PM in the Village Hall Board Room. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Sturdevant to designating The Reporter as the official newspaper for the Village of Delhi. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch designating the Delaware National Bank of Delhi as the official depository for the Village of Delhi. Motion was seconded by Trustee Tweed and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Tweed authorizing Village Clerk and Village Treasurer to be signatories for all village checking, savings and investment accounts. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Tweed to designate Fiscal Advisors & Marketing, Inc. as the Village Financial Advisor. Motion was seconded by Trustee Sturdevant and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch authorizing Village Clerk, Village Treasurer and Mayor Gearhart to be the signatories on the Small Cities Grant Account. Motion was seconded by Trustee Sturdevant and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch authorizing Village Clerk and Village Treasurer to pay all utilities, freight, postage, credit card and copier expenses as needed. Motion was seconded by Trustee Tweed and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch directing the Clerk to advertise the names of the official newspaper and official depository, the official meeting time of the Board of Trustees and the time of the 2025-2026 Organizational Meeting (4/7/2025 at 6:00 PM) of the Village Board. Motion was seconded by Trustee Sturdevant and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to accept the following assignments of Trustees to Board Committees:

Wastewater Treatment Plant Committee:	Mayor, Trustee Lamont
Public Works Committee:	Mayor, Trustee Lamont
Police Committee:	Trustees Fitch, Tweed
Joint Services Committee:	Trustees Sturdevant, Tweed
Codes, Buildings & Planning Committee:	Trustee Fitch, Mayor
Finance Committee:	Trustee Sturdevant, Tweed

Motion was seconded by Trustee Tweed and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to re-appoint Nancy Hughes to the Zoning Board of Appeals, with her term expiring 2029. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to re-appoint Regina Krzyston to the Planning Board, with her term expiring 2031. Motion was seconded by Trustee Sturdevant and passed unanimously.

Trustee Fitch reported that the cameras will be installed at Hoyt Park on Wednesday (4/3/2024). Trustee Fitch also reported that Kathleen Mitchell will not be coming to work with Delhi PD on a full-time basis.

Trustee Sturdevant that TRI-At has agreed to build our gazebo on 4/27/2024 as part of their Community Service Day. TRI-At will work with Mayor Gearhart and Trustee Tweed.

Trustee Sturdevant also mentioned that she felt we should put a plaque should be placed on the gazebo in memory of Jesse Raber for all her efforts in getting that project underway.

Mayor Gearhart indicated that the ice skating rink will be put away shortly and that the Town of Delhi will need to purchase a liner for next year.

Someone asked who will be the contact person for the community gardens? Indication was that Amy Randall would be the contact person.

Mayor Gearhart also indicated that Dave Kopecek has indicated that he would be willing to take over as Chair of the Zoning Review Committee when the current chair, Michael Tweed, needs to step down.

At 6:41 p.m. discussion was started to finalize the 2024 – 2025 Tentative Budget.

Discussion was had to increase the Water, Sewer and CAP rates by 5% and property taxes by 2%.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to accept the Tentative Budget with 5% increase to Water, Sewer and CAP rates and 2% increase to property taxes. Motion was seconded by Trustee Sturdevant and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Tweed and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Cairns
Village Treasurer