

**Village of Germantown  
Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees  
November 21, 2023**

The regular monthly Board meeting of the President and Board of Trustees for the Village of Germantown was held on November 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Those present included the following: Village President Duane Ripperda, Trustees: Ken Albers, Michael Albers, Ken Brauer, Roger Rickhoff, Brad Schroeder and Jerald Schroeder. Supt. Steve Mullins, Police Chief Dean Darnall and Officer Kyle Banker. was also present. Guests included Rick Gerstner. Clerk Dawn Lakenburgs and Village Attorney Aaron Epplin were absent

The minutes of the previous month's meetings were available for review. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Trustee Ken Albers, seconded by Trustee Roger Rickhoff. Motion carried.

Rick Gerstner was present to explain plumbing inspections. The Board was interested and feel it's something that's worth checking into. The Water & Sewer Committee will meet to review.

Police Chief Dean Darnall gave his report next. Chief Darnall said the new computer system the county installed is a challenge but they are working through it.

Chief Darnall asked the Board about giving new officer Chase Harrison a raise. Trustee Jerald Schroeder made a motion to give Chase Harrison a \$1/hr raise. Trustee Ken Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Finance & Insurance Chairman, Jerald Schroeder, presented the Tax Levy Ordinance for 2023. Schroeder explained the committee decided to increase the property taxes minimally. The Village should receive approximately \$44,000 in property taxes for 2023, payable in 2024. Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-12, *AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN, CLINTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2023 AND ENDING ON THE 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2024.* Trustee Jerald Schroeder seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Jerald Schroeder made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-07, *A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH KOHNEN AIR CONDITIONING & HEATING, INC. FOR A PROJECT UTILIZING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ASSISTANCE.* Trustee Michael Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Brauer made a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-08, *A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH GERMANTOWN MARKET LLC UTILIZING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AND OTHER ACTIONS RELATED THERETO.* Trustee Roger Rickhoff seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Roger Rickhoff said he was asked about a curbside yard debris pick-up for Germantown. After a brief discussion, the Board said the Village supplies and maintains a yard debris area to our residents so this will not be pursued.

Trustee Michael Albers made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Trustee Ken Albers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Trustee Ken Albers then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Ken Brauer seconded the motion and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned.



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