

Village of Peoria Heights
Board of Trustees
December 6, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone stood for a moment of silence and the Pledge to the Flag.

Upon calling roll, the following Trustees were present: Jeff Goett, Elizabeth Khazzam, Mark Gauf, Matthew Wigginton, and Brandon Wisenburg. Others present included Mayor Michael Phelan, Village Administrator and Chief of Police Dustin Sutton, and Village Clerk Stephanie Turner.

Trustee Khazzam made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Trustees meeting on November 15, 2022. Trustee Gauf seconded the motion. The Board approved the minutes 5-0.

Mayor Phelan opened the meeting to public comment. Hearing no public comment, Mayor Phelan closed the meeting to public comments and moved on to old business. Hearing no old business, the Board moved on to new business.

Mayor Phelan noted that Administration had instructed Clerk Turner to bring a lower levy than the previous year's. Trustee Goett made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-1691: Adoption of 2022-2023 Levy (Village and Library). Trustee Khazzam seconded the motion. Mayor Phelan invited the Director of the Peoria Heights Free Public Library, Mr. Shawn Edwards, forward to speak about their portion of the levy. Mr. Edwards thanked the Village for their cooperation, in particular with plowing, and noted their levy had decreased as well in part due to Personal Property Replacement Tax. He shared that the Library was moving toward construction and hoped to make more progress in the coming year. Trustee Wigginton asked if the Library could take advantage of Village staff to help find grants. Mayor Phelan noted the Village was willing to share any of its resources to help the Library. Mayor Phelan stated the Village was able to lower its levy because of sales tax, but the Library didn't have that resource. The Board voted 5-0 to approve the levy.

The Board moved on to miscellaneous business.

Trustee Wisenburg shared he and Trustee Wigginton had attended the Christmas tree lighting and the second annual Kris Kringle Mart. He noted the weather was perfect, and the event was a huge success.

Mayor Phelan thanked Village staff and Heights Flowers for the decorations at Village Hall. He stated there was no business for the coming meeting. Trustee Gauf made a motion to cancel the meeting on December 20, 2022, and Trustee Goett seconded. The Board voted 5-0 to cancel the meeting.

Trustee Goett made a motion to adjourn, and Trustee Khazzam seconded the motion. The Board of Trustees voted 6-0 to adjourn at 5:39 pm.

Michael Phelan, Mayor

Stephanie Turner, Village Clerk