The Village of Ashmore Ordinance Committee met on April 2, 2024 at the Ashmore Municipal Office at 10 W Ashmore St. Chair Dane Perdieu called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Proper notice of the meeting was given.

Present: Dane Perdieu, Kurt Crail, Bill Edwards, Thomas Grissom
Absent: None
Also Present: Jackie Freezeland

The Committee discussed a business license application submitted by Get It Gone, LLC, a business currently operating without a permit at 4 E Ashmore St. The business trades in dumpster rentals, junk removal, junk sorting/storage, and rock hauling/spreading. Committee members considered zoning regulations, correspondence with the business owners and their attorney, conversations with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, as well as advice from the Village attorney Tracy Willenborg of Taylor Law Offices.

Junk removal is not explicitly listed as a permissible use of commercially zoned property. The most similar uses which are listed in the zoning regulation are "Junkyard," which is prohibited, and "Rental Equipment," which is only permissible with special considerations and approval by the Committee. Crail motioned to deny the application, seconded by Perdieu. All Committee members voted in favor (agreement); motion carried.

For other new business, in light of the public comments made at the Regular Board meeting, Committee members discussed the noise-related ordinances in the Village Code Book.
Discussion revolved around whether the noise caused by the grain bin aeration fans would be a violation of the ordinances, and they concluded that there was no violation to be pursued. At most, the Village could notify the business manager that there was a complaint in hopes that perhaps the fans would be turned off after 10 pm , but there will be no enforcement.

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m. on a motion by Crail, seconded by Edwards. All present voted aye.

Jackie Freezeland
Ashmore Village Clerk

