

Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting Held November 17, 2020

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Mt. Morris met in Regular Session at 7:00 PM on November 17, 2020.

The Village President called the meeting to order and directed the Clerk to call the roll. Upon roll being called, the following answered present: Hopkins, Stauffer, Kolling, Pennington, Labash and Fay. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

This is a recorded meeting. The Village President and Trustees all participated electronically as allowed per Governor Pritzker's COVID-19 Executive Orders. All other participants in attendance participated electronically.

Attorney Lesage and Corey Buck were present. Press was not present.

VISITORS: Dave Warkins, Ed Weinberg, Chad Stauffer, Jordan Sasscer and Rob Urish.

MINUTES: Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Pennington seconded the motion to accept the October 27, 2020 minutes as presented. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

EXECUTIVE MINUTES: No Report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: No Report.

CURRENT BILLS: Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Pennington seconded the motion to accept the current bills as presented with the addition of \$262.50 to Dynamic Horizon for computer repairs. Upon roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

PETITION & COMMUNICATION: Dave Warkins thanked the Street Dept. on keeping up with the brush and leaf pickup.

ADMINISTRATION: No Report.

STREET DEPT: Trustee Fay informed the Board that he has spoken with Corey Buck about a proposed project for Emily Street from Fletcher Avenue to Mulberry Avenue for next year. He is planning on using the Rebuild Illinois funds for the project along with some Motor Fuel money. Using the RIF money would free more Motor Fuel fund money for other projects. The Rebuild Illinois money must be used for projects with a life expectancy of longer than 13 years. Cannot be used for rotomilling or overlay work.

WATER/SEWER: No Report.

FINANCE: Trustee Labash moved and Trustee Stauffer seconded the motion to accept Amendment No. 1 of the Redevelopment agreement the Village and Mullarkey's whereby the owner has asked to reduce the amount of such reimbursement from \$28,540.00 to \$21,405.00 in consideration for the Village's agreement to waive the requirement as described in Section 4 of the RDA that \$14,270.00 of the reimbursement be repaid as a loan by the Owner to the Village. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried. Trustee Labash moved and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to approve the recommendation of the EDC to grant 2 options to Eclips Hair Salon. Option #1 was a grant of \$10,000.00 or part grant and part loan at 4% interest over a 5-year period not to exceed \$13,000.00 for the repairs to the roof of the building. Upon roll being called all Trustees approved the options proposed as presented. President declared said motion carried. Trustee Labash instructed Rob Urish to contact Deb Poggioli to discuss the proposal and to let Attorney Lesage know so he can draw up the agreement. Trustee Labash moved and Hopkins seconded the motion to go into Executive Session at the end of Regular Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Pursuant to Section 5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(1)

PARK & RECREATION: Trustee Hopkins came before the Board with Option #1 by consensus for the Zickhur Park playground equipment. Hopkins moved and Trustee Fay seconded the motion to pay 50% down in the amount of \$15,274.45 to Play and Park Structures with the remainder due upon delivery and site prep not to exceed to \$24,000.00. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

POLICE DEPT: Trustee Kolling made note that the police activity report was emailed to all Trustees by the Village Clerk and noted that the number of complaints had increased and felt it more than likely to do with the present situation at

ORDINANCE: Trustee Labash moved and Trustee Stauffer seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance Amending Title 2, Chapter 6 of the Mt. Morris Village Code of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board Composition. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." Trustee Kolling "Nay." President declared said motion carried.

PUBLIC PROPERTY: No Report.

END REGULAR SESSION: Trustee Labash moved and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to end Regular Session at 7:40 PM to go into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel Pursuant to Section 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1). Upon roll being called all Trustees voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION: Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Fay seconded the motion to Reconvene Regular Session at 8:03 PM. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

TREASURER POSITION: Trustee Labash moved and Trustee Stauffer seconded the motion to approve the hire of Jordan Sasscer as Treasurer on a part-time basis starting Monday November 23, 2020 at a starting salary of \$18,000.00. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

CIVIL DEFENSE: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS: No Report.

NEW BUSINESS: A request was submitted by Jan Dietrich on behalf of the Bretheran Church regarding the possibility of putting up a giving tree. After some discussion it was suggested that the tree could be placed on the cement pad on the campus. With the closing of the office to the public it was decided that this would be an alternative. The Clerk will notify Dietrich.

There being no further business to come before this Board. Trustee Pennington moved and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

The next regular Village Board Meeting will be held on November 24, 2020 at 7:00 PM in the Village Board Room.

Paula Diehl, Village Clerk

Dan Elsasser, Village President