

Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting Held August 10, 2021

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Mt. Morris met in Regular Session in the Board Room in Village Hall in said Village at 7:00 PM on Tuesday August 10, 2021.

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

Attorney LeSage and Corey Buck were not present.

**VISITORS:** Ryan Fletcher. Treasurer Sasscer was present.

**MINUTES:** Trustee Nicholson moved and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to accept the July 27, 2021 minutes as presented. Trustee Hopkins abstained. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE MINUTES:**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Nicholson seconded the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**CURRENT BILLS:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to accept the current bills as presented. Upon roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:** No Report.

**ADMINISTRATION:** Village President Labash gave a report of the August 2, 2021 Oregon School Board meeting attended by the public, school board members and the Mt. Morris Advisory Committee regarding the closure of DLR.

**STREET DEPT:** Trustee Higley moved and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to go into Executive Session at the end of Regular Session for the Purpose of Considering the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of a Specific Employee Pursuant under 5ILCS 2 (c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried. Sealcoating of Hitt Street and N Hannah Avenue are complete. Working on employment ad for new hire in street dept.

**WATER/SEWER:** No Report.

**FINANCE:** No Report.

**PARK & RECREATION:** No Report.

**POLICE DEPT:** Trustee Kolling moved and Trustee Nicholson seconded the motion to go into Executive Session for the Purpose of Considering the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of a Specific Employee Pursuant under 5ILCS 2 (c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**ORDINANCE:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to approve the raffle permit application and to waive the fee for the Kristi Oleson benefit to be held at Mullarkey's Bar and Grill. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY:** No Report.

**RECESS REGULAR SESSION:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to recess Regular Session at 7:16 PM to go into Executive Session for the Purpose of Considering the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of a Specific Employee Pursuant under 5ILCS 2 (c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted “Aye.” President declared said motion carried.

**RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to reconvene Regular Session at 7:46 PM. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted “Aye.” President declared said motion carried.

**STREET & WATER/SEWER:** Trustee Nicholson **MOVED** and Trustee Higley seconded the motion beginning September 1, 2021 to move Ryan Fletcher and Chad Stauffer into Supervisory Positions with a salary increase of \$2.00 per hr. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted “Aye.” President declared said motion carried.

**POLICE:** Trustee Kolling moved and Trustee Nicholson seconded the motion to accept the recommendation of the Police Commission and Police Chief to hire Paul Lindstrom as a full-time officer beginning August 9<sup>th</sup> at 5 years on the police contract scale at an hourly rate of \$20.60. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted “Aye.” President declared said motion carried.

**CIVIL DEFENSE:** No Report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No Report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Village President Labash introduced Alex Zoller as the new reporter for the Mt. Morris Times who was in attendance and will be covering Village news.

There being no further business to come before this Board. Trustee Hopkins moved and Trustee Stauffer seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 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 August 24, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Village Board Room.

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Paula Diehl, Village Clerk

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Phil Labash, Village President