

Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting Held February 8, 2022

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Mt. Morris met in Regular Session at 7:00 PM on February 8, 2022.

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

Attorney Lesage absent. Press absent. Treasurer Jordan Sasscer present. Village Engineer Corey Buck present.

**VISITORS:** Sylvia Saunders, Gary Saunders, Denise Cheek, Gary Desmedt, Ryan Magnoni, Chris Corcoran, Chad Stauffer, Mr. Graney.

**MINUTES:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Rojas seconded the motion to approve the January 25, 2022 minutes as presented. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President Pro-tem Hopkins declared said motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE MINUTES:**

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

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

**PETITION & COMMUNICATION:** Ryan Magnoni with United States Solar appeared before the board on behalf of David Leupkes about putting in a ground mount solar field in the industrial park by Kable News. He will come before the board at a later date when the project develops. Chris Corcoran came before the board to inquire about the plans for Sunset Lane over the summer. Trustee Higley responded, they are in discussions about start date, and which block to start in. Tentative plans to start the work in June.

**ADMINISTRATION:** President Pro-tem Hopkins reminded that next board meeting is Wednesday February 23, 2022 due to the school board meeting taking place on Tuesday February 22, 2022. President Pro-tem Hopkins encouraged all members and community to attend the school board meeting.

**STREET DEPT:** Trustee Higley reported that the street department is putting new signage on the street garage, and they have installed radios into the trucks and loaders.

**WATER/SEWER:** No Report.

**FINANCE:** Trustee Rojas reported that preliminary budget meetings have started.

**PARK & RECREATION:** Trustee Hopkins reported that the next Park & Recreation meeting is Thursday February 10, 2022 at 6pm.

**POLICE DEPT:** Trustee Kolling reported that they have narrowed down the candidates for police chief to 3 candidates and will conduct further interviews to have the position filled by the beginning of March for training. The candidate for the new patrolman is currently waiting to get into the academy.

**ORDINANCE:** No Report.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY:** Trustee Stauffer reported that Christmas light removal is still in progress.

**CIVIL DEFENSE:** No Report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No Report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No Report.

There being no further business to come before this Board. Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Rojas seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 PM. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President Pro-tem Hopkins declared said motion carried.

The next regular Village Board Meeting will be held on February 23, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Village Board Room.

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Brooke Knight, Village Deputy Clerk

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Jim Hopkins, President Pro-tem