

Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting Held June 14, 2022

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 June 14, 2022.

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, Higley, Kolling, Pennington, Rojas and Stauffer. President declared said motion carried.

Attorney Lesage and Corey Buck were absent.

**VISITORS:** Dave & Mary Jane Warkins, Sylvia Saunders, Larry Vickers, Gary DeSmedt, Jennifer Robinson, Tiffany West, Jeff Bold, Denise Cheek, Chris Corcoran, Nancy Bialek, Ryan Fletcher and Chad Stauffer.

**MINUTES:** Trustee Kolling moved and Trustee Stauffer seconded the motion to accept the May 24, 2022 minutes as presented. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE MINUTES:** Trustee Hopkins moved and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to accept the May 24, 2022 Executive Minutes as presented. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Rojas moved and Trustee Hopkins 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:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to go into Executive Session at the end of Regular Session for the Purpose of Discussing the Transfer of David L Rahn Jr High School Property to the Village. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**STREET DEPT:** Trustee Higley moved and Trustee Stauffer seconded the motion put a screening bucket no longer of use to the Street Dept. up for sealed bids, with a minimum bid of \$800.00. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried. Village Clerk Diehl will place an add in the paper and get with Attorney Lesage to prepare the proper ordinance for the next Board meeting. Sunset Project—plans have been sent to IDOT for approval.

**WATER/SEWER:** No Report.

**FINANCE:** Trustee Rojas moved and Trustee Stauffer seconded the motion to make a one-time donation of \$10,000 to the LFR fireworks from the ARPA funds. Upon roll being called all Trustees voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried. Trustee Rojas moved and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to set the Appropriation Hearing for 7:15 PM at the June 28, 2022 Village Board meeting. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**PARK & RECREATION:** Trustee Hopkins reports that mulch has been purchased for the playground areas at Dillehay. Sealcoat on the southside of the park has been done. The Park Board has discussed removing the posts and putting in parking blocks.

**POLICE DEPT:** Trustee Kolling reported that warnings and ordinance violations are being issued by the Police Department.

**ORDINANCE:** No Report.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Pennington seconded the motion to go with the current Com-ed rate of 0.5 cents per kilowatt, per the recommendation of Mike Mudge from Rock River Energy for the street lighting contract and see what the market brings in the next few months to a year. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried. Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Rojas seconded the motion to approve the LFR July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration street closings as presented. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**CIVIL DEFENSE:** No Report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No Report.

**END REGULAR SESSION:** Trustee Rojas moved and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to end Regular Session for the Purpose of Discussing the Transfer of David L Rahn Jr High School Property to the Village at 7:35 PM. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION:** Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Pennington seconded the motion to Reconvene Regular Session at 7:45 PM. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Trustee Rojas moved and Trustee Pennington seconded the motion to not pursue the transfer of David L Rahn Junior High to the Village of Mt. Morris. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

There being no further business to come before this Board. Trustee Stauffer moved and Trustee Kolling 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 June 28, 2022 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