

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

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

Village President Labash called the meeting to order and directed the Clerk to call the roll. Upon roll being called, the following answered present: Rojas, Pennington, Hopkins, Higley, Fay. President Labash declared said motion carried.

Trustee Pennington moved, and Trustee Rojas seconded the motion to excuse Trustee Kolling. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President Labash declared said motion carried.

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

**VISITORS:** Dave & Mary Jane Warkins, Larry Vickers, Jeff Bold, Bev Opalka, Ryan Fletcher.

**MINUTES:** Trustee Pennington moved, and Trustee Rojas seconded the motion to approve the October 25, 2022, minutes as presented. Upon roll being called all Trustees Rojas, Pennington, Hopkins, Higley voted "Aye." Trustee Fay abstained. President declared said motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE MINUTES:**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee Pennington seconded the motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye" President declared said motion carried.

**CURRENT BILLS:** Trustee Hopkins moved, and Trustee Fay seconded the motion to accept the current bills as presented with the addition of the bill for Matt's Window Washing in the amount of \$300.00. Upon roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

**PETITION & COMMUNICATION:** Dave Warkins came before the board to commend the street department for the upkeep with leaf removal.

**ADMINISTRATION:** President Labash addressed the board and read the Resignation Letter from Village Clerk Paula Diehl. Paula's official date for retirement is December 31, 2022.

**STREET DEPT:** Trustee Higley reported that leaf pick up continues. Sunset is finished per Corey Buck and will be open for traffic on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

**WATER/SEWER:** Trustee Pennington reported that 4 interviews for the Sewer position have been completed. A recommendation will be made at the next board meeting.

**FINANCE:** No Report

**PARK & RECREATION:** Trustee Hopkins reports the guys are winding down and should be set to finish mowing and leaf pick up before Thanksgiving.

**POLICE DEPT:** President Labash reported that Chief Cicchetti has received a few bids for security cameras for the parks. The project total is around \$25,000 and includes equipment, labor, and set up. The Village secured a grant from the County that will pay for project. Installation is set for Spring after board approval.

**ORDINANCE:** Trustee Fay recommended the board members review the Building Code proposal in their packets. The goal is to adopt standardized codes in alignment with International Code Council books and assign a fee structure. President Labash recommended Trustee Fay meet up with Trustee Rojas and

Building Code Enforcement – Casper Manheim to discuss/resolve any concerns before presenting for Board approval.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY:** Trustee Fay reports that after talking with Jerry Stauffer, the contractor working on the men’s restroom at Village Hall should be back this weekend and finish framing up the restroom so the plumbers can put the fixtures in and wrap up the work on the restroom.

**CIVIL DEFENSE:** No Report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No Report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No Report.

There being no further business to come before this Board. Trustee Pennington moved and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 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 22, 2022, at 7:00 PM in the Village Board Room.

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Brooke Knight, Deputy Village Clerk

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Phil Labash Village President