

Minutes of the Regular Village Board Meeting Held November 12, 2024

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Mt. Morris met in Regular Session at 7:00 PM on November 12, 2024. The Village President called the meeting to order and directed the Clerk to call the roll. Upon roll being called Trustees Rojas, Kolling, Hopkins, Higley, Fay, and McConnell voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

Village Treasurer Present. Press Present. Village Attorney Present.

VISITORS: Ryan Fletcher, Chad Stauffer, Dave & Mary Jane Warkins, Jeff Bold, Officer Rogers, Rob Urish, Mike Mudge.

MINUTES: Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee McConnell seconded the motion to accept the October 22, 2024, Minutes as presented. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried.

EXECUTIVE MINUTES: Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to accept the October 22, 2024, first set of Executive Minutes as presented. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried.

Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee McConnell seconded the motion to accept the October 22, 2024, second set of Executive Minutes as presented. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried.

CURRENT BILLS: Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee McConnell seconded the motion to accept the Current Bills as presented. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried.

PETITION & COMMUNICATION: Mary Jane Warkins commented that the Flags the Street Department put up for Veterans Day looked good.

ADMINISTRATION: Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to cancel the Meeting for December 24, 2024. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried. All appropriate notices shall be given.

STREET DEPT: Trustee Higley mentioned that leaf pick up continues throughout the Village and the Street Department has collected over 150,000 pounds of leaves.

WATER/SEWER: Trustee McConnell commented that the Water Department is now operating with a positive balance.

POLICE DEPT: No Report.

FINANCE: Mike Mudge from Rock River Energy presented the different rate options for the aggregation program that the Village of Mt. Morris participates in. Trustee Rojas Moved, and Trustee McConnell seconded the motion to accept the MC2 rate of 8.90 for 19 months starting in May 2025. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried. President Labash reminds that this is elective and residents can opt in, continue to stay in the program, or opt out.

Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee Hopkins seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at the end of Regular Session for the purpose of discussing employee health insurance pursuant to section 65 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1). Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried.

Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to approve the One Time Employee Gift for Holiday's at \$150 for full time employees and \$75 for part time employees. Trustee McConnell asked for clarification on what constitutes a part time employee. Part-Time Employees are those who are considered seasonal, temporary, or are scheduled less than 30 hours per week as outlined by the Employee Handbook. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried.

Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to accept the ARPA Obligation as presented. Upon the roll being called, all Trustees present voted "Aye." The president declared said motion carried.

PARK & RECREATION: Trustee Hopkins reports he is still looking for viable options for indoor Pickle Ball. President Labash and Trustee Hopkins will follow up with the Coliseum Board.

ORDINANCE: No Report.

PUBLIC PROPERTY: Trustee Fay moved, and Trustee Kolling seconded the motion to accept the bid from Wolbers in the amount of \$12,845.50 for the demolition and cleanup of 1 N Wesley. Upon roll being called, all the Trustees present voted "Aye." The President declared said motion carried.

END REGULAR SESSION: Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee McConnell seconded the motion to end the regular session at 7:44 PM. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION: Trustee Kolling moved, and Trustee McConnell seconded the motion to reconvene the regular session at 8:03 PM. Upon roll being called all Trustees present voted "Aye." President declared said motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Rojas moved, and Trustee McConnell seconded the motion picking up 100% of the insurance premium increase effective December 1, 2024. Upon roll being called, all the Trustees present voted "Aye." The President declared said motion carried.

There being no further business to come before this Board. Trustee Kolling moved, and Trustee Rojas seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 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 26, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the Village Board Room.

Brooke Duffy, Village Clerk

Phil Labash, Village President