

VILLAGE OF MACKINAW
VILLAGE BOARD
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES

November 22, 2021

Mayor Schmidgall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
This was a regular meeting of the Village of Mackinaw.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL BY:

Present: Mayor Josh Schmidgall and Trustees Carolyn Elmore, Candy Haynes, Kraig Kamp, Mark Morman, Jerry Peterson, and Tim Severt

Absent: none

Also Present: Clerk/Collector Lisa Spencer, Public Works Manager Mike Schopp, Attorney Mark McGrath, Police Chief Mike Kemp, Kevin Sauder, Josh Dobyns, Justin Morgan, Amanda Jackson, and Larry Morgan

III. CONSENT AGENDA: The consent agenda consists of approving the November 8, 2021 regular meeting minutes, public works department report, police department report, non-recurring disbursements, account balance, and payroll report.

Trustee Peterson moved, seconded Trustee Haynes to approve the above listed consent agenda items. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 – Trustees Elmore, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, Peterson, and Severt

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

There being six affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Justin Morgan request for use of village property – Justin Morgan came before the Board to request use of a 65ft by 40ft piece of village property to use as access to the garage at the back of his property located at 218 E. Second St. Morgan stated that due to the slope of the back yard there is no way to have access from the front of the property. Morgan said that he would dig 4’ deep and lay c60 fabric and then placed millings on top of the fabric. Mayor Schmidgall thought it would be more beneficial for him to spend money to create an access on his own property. If the village were to sell the lot, it would eliminate the access point and he would have spent the money on property that he doesn’t own. Morgan understood that but feels that this is the only feasible way. Trustee Morman addressed that Morgan has removed the barricades placed there and has been driving across the village property. This has been causing ruts, Morgan said that he has only driven across the property once. Morman also stated that there are five trailers parked in the grass at the back on the property. Chief Kemp has already addressed this matter with Morgan. The board members were invited to come look at the property before deciding on his request. The item will be placed on the next agenda.

V. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT: Police Chief Mike Kemp reviewed the police report with the board which included the number of incidents, ordinance violations, arrests, citations, reports, and open cases. To ensure the safety of the crossing guards, bright green coats and flashing stop sign paddles will be purchased. Chief Kemp has been working with Deputy Clerk Nunley on grant applications for the department. Hero Fund USA has contacted Kemp to update him that Mackinaw Police Department was chosen as one of the three organizations from Illinois that they will be assisting with funds in the up coming months. They will be assisting with the purchase of tasers for the department.

Hire full time officer – This item was tabled. Chief Kemp has completed interviews for a new officer and is currently waiting on background checks.

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER'S REPORT: Public Works Manager Mike Schopp reported on the activities of the department. Bathroom at Westwood Park and Brock Lake are closed for the season. Schopp gave an update of the rebuilding of the sand filters at the lagoons project. He was granted an extension from the IEPA for the project due the delay in delivery of special sand needed for the filters.

Mower lease agreement for the 2022 season – Trustee Elmore moved, seconded by Trustee Morman to authorize Mayor Schmidgall to sign an agreement to rent two John Deere mowers for the 2022 season from Cross Implement, Inc at a cost of \$2,200 each. This is the same price as the 2021 season. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 – Trustees Elmore, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, Peterson, and Severt
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0
There being six affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Non-Recurring Bills - Trustee Elmore moved, seconded Trustee Peterson to approve the non-recurring bills. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 – Trustees Elmore, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, Peterson, and Severt
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0
There being six affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

VI. MAYOR'S REPORT: none

VII. LOCAL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: none

VIII. TRUSTEES' REPORT:

Policy regarding public works on-call employees to use vehicles – Trustee Severt moved, seconded by Trustee Elmore to adopt a policy regarding public works on-call employees to use vehicles for village use only. Employees must have a valid driver's license and the approval of their supervisor. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 – Trustees Elmore, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, Peterson, and Severt
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0
There being six affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

Parking at Brock Lake – Trustee Kamp stated that it was brought up to him about removing a hill at Brock Lake to add additional parking. The removal of the hill would require heavy equipment to move the dirt. Public Works Manager Schopp was asked to review the area and give his opinion. Schopp was also asked to contact Ameren and request that the transformer be moved from the current location due to it being hit by vehicles.

IX. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Heartland Fiber Optic franchise agreement – This item was tabled.

Tax Levy Ordinance #1015 – Trustee Morman moved, seconded by Trustee Haynes to adopt ordinance #1015 for the levy and assessments of taxes for the Village of Mackinaw. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 – Mayor Schmidgall and Trustees Elmore, Haynes, Kamp, Morman, Peterson, and Severt
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0
There being seven affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

X. NEW BUSINESS:

Cancel the December 27, 2021 board meeting - This item will be added to the next agenda.

XI. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:01 P.M.: There being no further business to come before the Board
Trustee Morman moved, seconded by Trustee Haynes to adjourn. **motion carried.**

I, Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk/Collector of the Village of Mackinaw, Illinois do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held on the above date, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk/Collector
Posted: 12/15/21