

**VILLAGE OF MACKINAW**  
**PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES**

**February 8, 2021**

**President Friend 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:** President Craig Friend and Trustees Carolyn Elmore, Kraig Kamp, Jerry Peterson, and Josh Schmidgall

**Absent:** Trustees Candy Haynes and Mark Morman

**Also Present:** Police Chief Brandon Reese, Clerk/Collector Lisa Spencer, Public Works Manager Mike Schopp, Treasurer Andrea Johnson, Attorney Pat McGrath, Kyle Krall and Matt Miller

**III. CONSENT AGENDA:** The consent agenda consists of approving the January 25, 2021 regular meeting minutes, public works department report, police department report, EMA department report, non-recurring disbursements, account balance, and payroll report.

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

AYES: 4 – Trustees Elmore, Kamp, Peterson, and Schmidgall

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2 – Trustees Haynes and Morman

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

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

**V. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT:** Police Chief Brandon Reese reported on the activities of the police department. Chief Reese told the Board that he has been obtaining quotes for body cameras to comply with the upcoming state mandate. Trustee Schmidgall asked if the state mandate doesn’t go into effect until 2025, why obtain quotes now. Chief Reese said that he is only getting quotes now for budgeting purposes.

**Blocking of mailboxes** – Chief Reese explained to the Board that there have been issues with people parking in front of mailboxes which results in residents mail not being delivered. The main problem is near the high school. Reese has been having students move their vehicles. Reese is requesting that an ordinance be written to ban the blocking of mailboxes. The Board discussed the matter and agreed that is an issue for the post office to handle. If residents complain they should be directed to the post office.

**PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER’S REPORT:** Public Works Manager Mike Schopp reported on the actives of the department. Public Works will continue to pick up storm damage. Regular yard waste pick will resume beginning in March. During the last ice storm a tree took out a power line along the walking trail. Once power was restored the lights were still out. It is believed that a power surge damaged the LED drivers. Schopp will be using the bucket truck to work on them when the weather warms up a bit. A meeting was held with Kerr and Mohr regarding getting an estimate for Main Street repairs. Schopp received the quote today but would like time to review the estimate with Trustee Morman.

**Portable solar powered speed signs** - Public Works Manager Schopp shared a quote for portable solar powered speed signs with the Board. The Board had requested this quote in hopes of reducing speeding in residential areas. The sign will flash when a vehicle is speeding and collect data for the police.

Trustee Elmore moved, seconded by Trustee Schmidgall to authorize the purchase of one portable solar powered speed sign for the Village to be used and maintained by the police department at a cost of \$3,265.00 from Darsign. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 4 – Trustees Elmore, Kamp, Peterson, and Schmidgall  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 2 – Trustees Haynes and Morman  
There being four affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

#### **TREASURER’S REPORT:**

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

AYES: 4 – Trustees Elmore, Kamp, Peterson, and Schmidgall  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 2 – Trustees Haynes and Morman  
There being four affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

**2021 water/sewer rates** – Trustee Elmore moved, seconded by Trustee Schmidgall to freeze water/sewer rates for 2021 and to review the matter next year. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 4 – Trustees Elmore, Kamp, Peterson, and Schmidgall  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 2 – Trustees Haynes and Morman  
There being four affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

**Request for Proposal for garbage and recycling services** – The Board reviewed a draft request for proposal for garbage and recycling services (RFP) presented by Treasurer Andrea Johnson. The Board questioned if smaller totes could be used with the service trucks. They also wanted to know what the companies policies are for if a bag is on ground and if a car is parked in front of the totes. Attorney Pat McGrath informed the Board by adding totes to the RFP it is limiting the number of companies able to submit proposals. Treasurer Johnson said that she will contact Republic Waste Management and Area Disposal and share their responses with the Board. Johnson stated that Heritage Lake has contacted her stating that they are interested in having a contract for service. Attorney Pat McGrath stated that the Village cannot have any part of contracting service for Heritage Lake due to them being part of the Township and not the Village.

**VI. PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** none

**VII. LOCAL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSIONER’S REPORT:** none

#### **VIII. TRUSTEES’ REPORT:**

**Project for the Stout Foundation Grant Application-** Trustee Kamp asked the Board if they had ideas for the Stout Foundation Grant Application. They discussed trees along Route to improve the beautification when driving into the Village. The Board then discussed developing the green space lot in the back of Eastwood Park subdivision by adding parking, sidewalks, gazebo, and flowers. This would be an ideal area for event photos. Kamp asked Public Works Manager Schopp if he could get costs for the green space ready for the next meeting. The application must be submitted by February 28, 2021.

**IX. ATTORNEY’S REPORT:** none

**X. NEW BUSINESS:** none

**XI. ADJOURNMENT @ 7:54 P.M.:** There being no further business to come before the Board Trustee Elmore moved, seconded by Trustee Schmidgall 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.

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Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk/Collector  
Posted: 2/23/21