

Village of Wonder Lake, McHenry County, Illinois
Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 7, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Roll Call Present: McIntosh, Dirr, Dycus, Hilton, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini, Beith
Absent: Dycus
A quorum was established with 6 Trustees

Attorney Present

Approval of Trustee Fred Learman as Village President Pro Tem

Motion by: Trustee Tollini

Second by: Trustee Houston

Discussion: Village Attorney Curran informed the Board that Trustee Learman will be President Pro Tem for this meeting due to the absence of Village President Dycus. Trustee Learman recused himself from the vote.

Corrections: None

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carries with 5 Trustees

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held May 3, 2023

Motion by: Trustee Tollini

Second by: Trustee Reinhard

Discussion: None

Corrections: None

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held May 17, 2023

Motion by: Trustee Hilton

Second by: Trustee Houston

Discussion: None

Corrections: None

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Approval of the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held May 17, 2023

Motion by: Trustee Houston

Second by: Trustee Hilton

Discussion: None

Corrections: None...

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Approval of the Invoices to be approved for Payment Report dated June 7, 2023

Motion by: Trustee Hilton
Second by: Trustee Houston
Discussion: None
Corrections: None
Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Communications: None

Public Comment:

- **James C. Beckett, Wonder Lake State Bank** - requested the Board to consider deferring the vote to change accounts to a different bank and to schedule a meeting with the Village President and Treasurer to discuss issues. Village Pro Tem Learman asked Treasurer Dirr if the accounts needed to be voted on tonight. Treasurer Dirr informed the Board that the Central Treasury account needs to be voted on so payroll can go out.

President:

Approval of hiring 4 Part-Time Police Officers

Motion by: Trustee Houston
Second by: Trustee Hilton
Discussion: Village President Pro Tem Learman informed the Board that received a Letter of Recommendation to hire the following candidates as Part-Time Police Officers: Dennis Sears, Gregory Reynold, Sunsette Winsler, Evangelos Hitiris
Corrections: None
Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Swearing in of Officer Dennis Sears, Officer Gregory Reynold, Officer Sunsette Winsler and Officer Evangelos Hitiris.

Clerk: Nothing at this time

Attorney:

- **Video Gaming Ordinance** – Trustees to send any comments to the Village Attorney
- **Appropriation Ordinance** – public hearing to be held June 21, 2023
- **FOIAs** – working on response to Attorney General and other requests
- **Deputy Chief** – looking in to amending the Municipal Code to add a Deputy Chief

Ordinances:

Approval of Ordinance No. 557, an Ordinance Approving and Authorizing Execution of the McHenry County American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) Funded Projects Between the Village of Wonder Lake and McHenry County

Motion by: Trustee Tollini
Second by: Trustee Hilton
Discussion: The Village was approved the grant for \$2.67 million, this is the intergovernmental agreement
Corrections: None
Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Resolutions: None

Report of Departments:

Engineering: Jacob Wellbank, Robinson Engineering – Present

- **Stonewater** - erosion control in this week to prepare for work on the pond for the next neighborhood

Sewer and Water: Jacon Wellbank, Robinson Engineering – Present

- **Flushing Water System** – complete
- **Wastewater and Water** – normal operations

Financial: Treasurer Durr – Present

Approval of moving the Central Treasury Account from Wonder Lake State Bank to McHenry Savings Bank

Motion by: Trustee Houston

Second by: Trustee Hilton

Discussion: Village Treasurer Durr informed the Board that the signers on the account will be Dan Dycus, Jo-Ellen McIntosh, and Tony Topf.

Corrections: None

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Pollinator Habitat Restoration & Enhancement Department (PHRED): Trustee Palys – Present

- **Planting** – have more plants coming in, looking for more help ; Trustee Hilton suggested posting Volunteers Needed on Village website and Wonder Lake Neighbors Facebook Page; Trustee Houston asked for dates and times, and he will pass the information on to the Explorer Program

Planning & Zoning Commission: Chairperson Jim Cavanaugh – Not Present – Nothing at this time

Police: Chief Redlin – Present – Nothing at this time

General Affairs: Trustee Reinhard – Present

- **Disc Golf** – presented map of the course, Jacob Wellbank everything; had preconstruction meeting, walked the course to discuss concerns about spray heads and irrigation lines to avoid during installation; Public Works Director Bissell asked if price of mowing will increase due to more hand work with the baskets in place

Public Works: Chuck Bissell, Public Works Director – Present

- **Shady Lane Wellhouse** – branch down
- **Salem** – work complete
- **Vandalized Signs** – replaced
- **Chemung** – section resurfaced

Communications/Public Relations: Trustee Tollini – Present

- **Website Renewal** – Unicode has been acquired by Civis Plus so will review options ; need to decide by end of summer
- **Social Media Posting** – created Facebook page for the Village

Village Administrator: William Beith – Present

- **3232 E. Lake Shore Drive** – received replacement plans, being reviewed
- **Road Quality Program** – in process of developing the plan
- **Common Building Permits** – working on hand outs for Residents to streamline the process
- **Building Code Update** – working on update for B&F Construction Services
- **Ordinance Codification** – getting quote on update
- **Broadband in McHenry & Lake Counties** – will be meeting with Congressman Schneider to get update
- **Lake Shore Improvements** – Trustee Hilton suggested a step-by-step permit process for some lake shore improvements

Committee Reports: None

Old Business:

- **Pedestrian Bridge Update** – Trustee Hilton informed the Board the bridge supports are being installed today, will pour concrete on Friday

New Business:

Village President Pro Tem Learman reported on the following:

- **Wildwood HOA Meeting** – Tony Topf and Trustee Hilton attended the meeting last Friday and supported their Board in achieving an approval to repay the Village for their first phase of road reconstruction. Akram, H.R. Green, has already been notified and will follow up with the Village
- **Finance Auditing and General Administration** – Village President Dan Dycus interviewed Jennifer Snelton; Village Administrator Beith and Treasurer Dirr; Snelton has worked with the Village before and has been Finance Director for Marengo; the position is part-time and is accounted for in the 23-24 budget

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by: Trustee Palys

Second by: Trustee Hilton

Voice Vote Ayes: Hilton, Houston, Learman, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carries with 6 Trustees

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm

Minutes submitted by /s/ Jo-Ellen McIntosh, Village Clerk