

Village of Wonder Lake, McHenry County, Illinois
Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 6, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm

Roll Call Present: Dycus, McIntosh, Dirr, Houston, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini, Beith
Absent: Hilton, Learman
A quorum was established with 4 Trustees

Attorney Present

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held August 2, 2023

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

Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held August 16, 2023

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

Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Approval of the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held August 16, 2023

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

Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Approval of the Invoices to be approved for Payment Report dated September 6, 2023

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

Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Communications: None

Public Comment: None

President: None.

Clerk: Nothing at this time

Attorney:

- **Items under Ordinances and Resolutions**

Ordinances:

Approval of Ordinance No. 563, an Ordinance Amending Title 5 Public Works, Chapter 55 Subsection 52.37 (G) Rates and Chapter 53 Subsection 53.57 (L) Wastewater Service Charges

Motion by: Trustee Palys

Second by: Trustee Tollini

Discussion: Village President Dycus informed the Board that there are 2 things being adjusted, wastewater charges that have not been raised since the system was built and creating a non-resident surcharge ; NIU has recommended this surcharge and have researched surrounding municipalities that have up to a 25% surcharge ; discussion about reasons for a surcharge for approximately 650 non-residents such as expenses from original purchase, staff time for tasks like billing, preparing special project grants, hydrant replacements/repairs and further investments/upgrades in the system that need to be made, residents are paying taxes that cover some of these costs, may not be a good time to make an increase, how the 2006 plan for the water system is in the process of being updated, problems that need to be repaired go across the entire system, once the change occurs will go up once and then the wastewater and water rate will adjust yearly based on cpi ; discussed a lower percentage of 10%

Corrections: None

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Houston, Palys, Tollini, Village President Dycus

Nays: Reinhard

Abstain: None

Absent: Hilton, Learman

Motion carries with 3 Trustees and 1 Village President

Resolutions:

Approval of Resolution No. 23-012, a Resolution Approving and Authorizing Agreement for Republication, Supplementation, and Online Code Hosting Services – Civic Plus, LLC

Motion by: Trustee Houston

Second by: Trustee Palys

Discussion: Trustee Tollini informed the Board that if try to look up the code/Ordinances on Village Website it is very difficult and how this service will improve the searching ; Trustees discussed cost with new service being less than what paying now, anyone going on the website will be able to search the code/Ordinances

Corrections: None

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hilton, Learman

Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Approval of Resolution No. 23-013, a Resolution Approving and Authorizing Agreement for Renewal Statement of Work – Civic Plus, LLC

Motion by: Trustee Houston

Second by: Trustee Palys

Discussion: Civic Plus took over Municode (current website host) so it is mandatory to transfer the website hosting to Civic Plus to keep the website going at this time

Corrections: None

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hilton, Learman

Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Approval of Resolution No. 23-014, a Resolution Approving and Authorizing Munciple Well & Pump Project Proposal

Motion by: Trustee Houston

Second by: Trustee Palys

Discussion: Village President Dycus informed the Board the work will be on 2 well abandonments; the grant for \$100,000 was approved at time of quote, now costs have gone up \$750 ; both wells have not been in use for a while.

Corrections: None

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Houston, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Hilton, Learman
Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Approval of Resolution No. 23-015, a Resolution Approving and Authorizing Agreement Langton Snowplow Quote

Motion by: Trustee Houston
Second by: Trustee Palys
Discussion: Village President Dycus informed the Board that Langton quoted a 3-year contract at the same price as last year and will hold the price over the 3 years or if the Village wants a 1-year contract there will be a 5-8% increase.
Corrections: None
Roll Call Vote Ayes: Houston, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Hilton, Learman
Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Report of Departments:

Engineering: Jacob Wellbank, Robinson Engineering – Present

- **Meadows of West Bay and Stonewater** - single lot final plats for review

Sewer and Water: Jacob Wellbank, Robinson Engineering – Present

- **Meadows of West Bay** – cleaned out water tank, 3 inches of sediment was removed from the bottom, water quality is better now
- **Water Systems** - normal operations continue

Financial: Treasurer Dirr – Present

- **Invoices to be approved report** – also sent out a Budget report that will be done on a monthly basis

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

- **Nicor Grant** – for work on the 3 Islands, will receive \$5,000 worth of plants next month
- **Yacht Club Island** – remove the invasives

Planning & Zoning Commission: Chairperson Jim Cavanaugh – Not Present

- Village President Dycus informed the Board that Jim Cavanaugh is working on retiring, talked to Bob Ahlberg about any existing members moving up to Chairperson, otherwise will find someone from outside the commission

Police: Chief Redlin – Present

- **Marin Unit** – had a good season
- **Police Applicants** – forwarded two applicants to the Police Commission for interviews

General Affairs: Trustee Reinhard – Present

- **Disc Golf Course** – installation complete, had kids and adults using the course right away ; T-Pads still need to be installed, waiting for delivery

Public Works: Chuck Bissell, Public Works Director – Present

- **Chevy** - finished painting framework
- **Storm Sewer Covers** – cleaned

Communications/Public Relations: Trustee Tollini – Present – Nothing at this time

Village Administrator: William Beith – Present

- **New \$20,000 Grant** – for codification and building code update, received preapproval to apply
- **Bonfire & Trunk or Treat Event** – planning in process for event on October 28th

- **McHenry County Economic Development** – working with them to develop methods for improving the Village and image and marketing
- **Village Signs** – Trustee Palys put Solar Lights on Village Signs

Committee Reports: None

Old Business:

- **Hancock Drive Update** – rescheduled due to some language changes on the document that collected signatures ; signatures are being recollected again ; new date is September 20th

New Business: None

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by: Trustee Houston

Second by: Trustee Palys

Voice Vote Ayes: Houston, Palys, Reinhard, Tollini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hilton, Learman

Motion carries with 4 Trustees

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm

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