

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 24, 2024 7:00 P.M.
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:01 PM

BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant

Pledge of Allegiance and Lord's Prayer said in Unison

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

P David R. Dyson

P Ernest Maxey Jr

P Thomas Harper Jr.

Arrived 7:13pm_ Tiffany S. Robinson

P Gregory N. Jackson

P Michael Collier Sr

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant

P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson

P VA Korie Dickson

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

I. Communications/Announcements

The water department will be operational at the police department on the first floor, payment for water bills, and permits will be made there during regular business hours 9am-3pm., Mon-Fri. All other departments will be operational at the Community Center 13800 Trumbull Ave. You can still pay your bill via Epay on the village website or by mail. Updates can also be found on the village website as well as all village social media pages.

The Robbins Fire Department will be able to assist residents with getting free smoke detectors installed in their homes. Please contact the building dept or fire department for assistance.

Please contact the building department before starting any projects to make sure you are in compliance with village regulations and to avoid fines and/or penalties.

Back to School Festival & Parade is Aug.30, 31 and Sep 1st. Come out for the annual festivities, food and fun for all ages.

If you need assistance with paying your water bill, please reach out to your local township either Bremen 708-333-9530 or Worth 708-371-2900.

After School tutoring for grades K-8TH, Mon-Thurs 4pm-5:30pm at the Wm. Leonard Library 13820 Central Park. For more info call 708-597-2760

Stop the Violence Walk, Robbins community unity against gun violence on Saturday September 28, Robbins police station 1:00-3:00pm. Bring your signs and let's march against violence.

Breast cancer awareness brunch, Oct. 26, 2024 from 1-3pm, 13800 Trumbull Ave. \$10 brunch & beverage. For more information call 708-972-2761 Ms. Murphy-Watts.

The Robbins community center is sponsoring a tailgating party, Bears Vs. Packers on Nov. 17th from 11am-4pm at 13800 Trumbull Ave. Cost is \$25.00 includes buffet & 2 drinks. Special guest Shameka Leach

- II. A. Mayor's report: We will change the walk on Saturday to a public safety forum here in the court room with the mayor and deputy chief Antwon Russell. DC Russell introduced himself to the residents and provided information about himself. The mayor stated the goal is to have cameras on every block.

Harold's Chicken, a franchise business is here in the village. They took a chance to invest in Robbins. This Wednesday at 6pm, there will be a hiring event at 13730 Claire Blvd. For info, text icebar to 8723597519.

Phase 2 of the MWRD project is underway. The water tower in that area will be addressed. The board approved procurement for the tower this upcoming spring.

The mayor spoke about the scholarship fund left by former mayor Irene Brodie and that the criteria was changed to allow more students to take advantage of it. Ms. Gosa read the names of the recipients for this year. The mayor read words of inspiration to the students and photos of those present were taken with the mayor and board of trustees.

VA report: Thanked the mayor and board for this opportunity. It's been a nice start, there is a lot of information to take in. Thanked the clerk and mayor for helping her to get settled. Provided her phone #708-470-9890 and email kdickson@robbins-il.com. She has provided the board the information they requested, will provide info on hiring, and reporting. She spoke about her attendance at IML and some contacts she was able to make.

B. Clerk's report: None

C. Treasurer's report

It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the treasurer's report in the amount of \$1,380,872.23

Roll call aye: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the Warrant List in the amount of \$75,383.77.

Roll call: Dyson, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

B. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the Settlement Agreement.

Roll call: Dyson, Robinson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

C. It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustee Jackson to approve agreement With Cell at Auction Inc, DBA Wireless Bridge Partners LLC.

Roll call: Dyson, Robinson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

D. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Jackson to approve Montgomery Development Contract.

Roll call: Dyson, Robinson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried

E. It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Robinson to approve street closure 3240-3251 Kinne Rd on Saturday Aug. 24th from 12pm-8pm.

Roll call: Dyson, Robinson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried

F. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustees Dyson and Collier to approve Azavar Audit Agreement.

Roll call: Dyson, Robinson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried

III. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Robinson – Best wishes to all returning students and educators. Coffee talk with the Trustee will be Aug. 24th @ 10:00 am. Last month the assessor was out and gave vital information. The next citizens' first meeting is Aug. 17th @ 2pm at Kellar School. We will have a COW meeting in the next couple of weeks.

Public Safety-Thank you to everyone that helped with National Night Out. We have vetted three candidates for police chief. I am meeting with Chief Malley to increase the billing for ambulance services.

License/ordinance meeting on July 30: discussed adjacent lots, BYOB, Airbnb, amending Chapter 2 of the ordinance. Citizens can review ordinances on the village website. Provided her email.

Trustee Collier-Public Works-No report. Advised the final festival committee meeting will be Aug 24th @ 10am at the community center.

Trustee Dyson- Public Property, had a meeting Aug. 7th with Mr. Collins and Mr. Thompson, they will be working with us to find properties that belong to the village. Administrative agenda-research team.

Trustee Jackson -Finance-We had a meeting today, discussion about cutting spending as village is in a cash crunch.

IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ms. Murphy asked, can we get a copy of the settlement agreement? Can they see any structures about the Montgomery agreement? Are all of you in agreement about the cell tower?

Ms. Echols asked what is happening with the man washing cars at 13830 Claire Blvd? There seems to be a problem enforcing our ordinances, why is that? Do our officers know what the ordinances are?

Rosie Mitchell said AT&T owns the tower by her, aren't we supposed to get a fee from those towers. Mr. Jacob Mitchell has a complaint about the alley behind his house that's overgrown with vegetation. (Pulaski/135th PL)

Mr. Bourne was concerned about the clean-up of the village with all the development happening. Has ideas about grants to the help the youth that he would like to present. He is pleased with the job that the mayor and board are doing.

V. CLOSED SESSION: It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Harper to convene into closed session.

Section 5.120/2 (c) (1) Personnel employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance

Roll call: Dyson, Robinson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustees Collier to reconvene into regular session. Trustee Dyson departed before the motion

Roll call: Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Harper to adjourn the meeting.

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk

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