

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 26, 2024 7:00 P.M.
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7: 04 PM

BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant

Pledge of Allegiance and Lord's Prayer said in Unison

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

P David R. Dyson P Tiffany S. Robinson
A Ernest Maxey Jr P Gregory N. Jackson
P Thomas Harper Jr. P Michael Collier Sr

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant
P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson
P VA Korie Dickson

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Harper and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the Regular minutes of 11-12-24.
Roll call ayes: Dyson, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier
Absent: Maxey
Motion carried.

- II. Communications/Announcements-
 1. You can still pay your bill via Epay on the village website or by mail., or the police department If you have not done so, please sign up for text alerts, a cell phone number is required. Updates can also be found on the village website as well as all village social media pages.
 2. If you need assistance with paying your water bill and to avoid disconnection as well as senior services, please reach out to your local township, either Bremen 708-333-9530 or Worth 708-371-2900.
 3. There's a Grinch Family Movie Night at the Robbins Community Center on Nov. 29th at 6pm (Doors open at 5pm) Please call 708-972-2761 to reserve your seat. Special appearance by the Grinch.
 4. The Robbins Fire Department is still assisting residents with getting free smoke detectors installed in their homes. Please contact the building dept or fire department.
 5. FEMA assistance has been extended until Dec. 13, 2024 for Cook County. You can either go online DisasterAssistance.gov or 800-621-3362.
 6. The Wm Leonard Library is having a Holiday City Lights Tour on Dec. 13th. The luxury coach bus will depart at 4pm and return at 9pm. The cost is \$35.00, and lunch will be provided. Please call 708-597-2760 to reserve your spot. Payment is due by Dec. 6.
 7. Join us for our Grinchmas with Friends of the Library on Dec. 14th, from 12pm-4pm. Space is limited, Cost is \$10.00, and payment is due by Dec. 6. The address is 13820 Central Park
 8. All income-eligible households can apply for utility assistance with CEDA, call 800-571-2332. There is also assistance if you are having problems with your furnace.
 9. The clerk's office will begin the application process for the adjacent lot program after the

New Year. The exact date will be forthcoming. Thank you for your patience.

10. The Village of Robbins Winter Wonderland senior celebration on Dec. 14th from 2-6pm at 13800 Trumbull Ave. Robbins residents only, 62 years and older. For more information and to RSVP, please call 708-385-8940 x 101 or 103. There is also a sign-up sheet on the table in the back and there will be a sheet downstairs by the water dept, at the library and the community center.
11. Reminder, because of the holiday, the garbage will not be picked up on Thursday. Please don't put your garbage out tomorrow evening.

III. A. Mayor's Report: Thanked all the village entities for helping to care for the village in this holiday season. This time of the year can be hard for many people, and he appreciated the park district for serving meals on two occasions. On Dec. 2nd, the mayor's office and Harold's Chicken and Ice Bar will sponsor a coat drive of new coats at 13800 Trumbull Ave at 4pm. Thank you to all of our sponsors, including Daniel Weiss, Poole's, BP and others who made it possible to provide 500 turkeys for our residents this year.

The Greater Southland Black Chamber of Commerce will have their Christmas Party on Dec 6th at 13800 Trumbull, it's free to the public.

There will be a toy drive later this month, a date to be determined.

B. VA Report: All department heads' reports are in the board packets. She, along with Ms. Fitch, have interviewed two treasurer candidates, a follow up interview with the mayor is forthcoming. We are still looking to secure a person for human resources. Donations are coming in for the senior Christmas Paty.

C. Clerk's Report: Fees collected for dates 10-23-24 thru 11-25-24. Transfer stamp \$400.00, Vehicle Stickers \$125.00, Liquor License \$1700.00, Flea Market \$10740.00, Community Center Rental \$1830.00, Escrow \$10,000.00

The last council meeting for the year is Dec. 10th unless a special meeting is required.

The village hall will be closed Dec. 24th and Dec. 25th and Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st.

D. Treasurer's Report:

It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Harper to accept the treasurer report in the amount of \$769,251.48.

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

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

The mayor called for finance meeting before Dec. 10th. The meeting will be on Dec. 5th at 5pm.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the Official Village of Robbins Days observed 2025.

Correction; add New Year's Eve to list

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

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

2. It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the MOU between the VOR and the Greater Chicago Food Depository.

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

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

3.. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the IGA between the VOR and Cook County (resilience hub)

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

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Robinson – This is truly a season for thanksgiving. She gave a shout out to all our student athletes, especially her son. Also, congratulations to the Robbins Eagle. The next COW is to be determined.

Public Safety-There was a public safety meeting last week, thanks to all who participated. DC Russell is setting up a date for Shop with a Cop, please see him if you would like to donate. Citizens can review ordinances on the village website. Provided her email.

Trustee Collier-Water-reminded citizens to pay their water accounts, shut off are still happening. Gave tips for keeping your water flowing during the upcoming several days of below freezing temperatures.

Public Works-We are continuing to clean up the village. Starting to backfill the demolition areas.

Trustee Jackson -Finance-Reminder, the finance meeting will be on Dec. 5th @ 5pm, will include a mid-appropriation meeting.

V. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ms. Fulson asked about her water bill, and said she was billed twice. Asked when the village stickers will go on sale? Why is the village not doing the solar farm?

Mr. Ward thanked the VA and Mr. Cooper for taking care of the trees that were done in his area.

VI. CLOSED SESSION: It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Jackson to convene into closed session.

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

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

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Roll call: Dyson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey

Motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to adjourn the meeting. Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM.

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk


