

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 13, 2024 4:30 PM
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 4:37 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.

A Tiffany S. Robinson

P Gregory N. Jackson

A Michael Collier Sr.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant

P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. Presentation given Dillion from Revize (via phone) concerning the proposed website change. Proposed rate of \$4912 over 5 years (development and hosting). He advised that a dot.gov domain has to be obtained from the government, his company can't do that. Bills can be paid on the website, no surcharge. Derrick will be the administrator of the website.
- II. It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustee Harper to move Item 2 down to item 3, to allow Dr. Mullins to arrive for his presentation.
Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Jackson
Absent: Robinson, Collier
Motion carried.
Mayor made introduction of Power Pledge, a renewable energy company for communities that need it but can't afford it. They partner with the Chicago Sky and they are looking for a letter of support from the village to apply for a million dollar grant, Illinois Solar for All. The mayor advised the village would need to see letters from their partners (Chicago Sky, Can Do, etc.) before moving forward. They also asked if our grant writer would be able to assist them with the grant if needed.
- III. The contract with JM3 Design has expired and was advised he must come back before the board. He was originally given 30 pins, now wants an additional 10 for affordable housing, \$200,000 or lower with a minimum of 1000 square feet. He is asking to buy the land instead of leasing it, but the board has concerns about that. After presenting what steps he has completed so far, the mayor advised verification of the pins in question will need to be done so there's no conflict with another project in the village.
- IV. Ms. Lawanda Gosa came before the board to acknowledge she has resigned from her position as Community Center Director as of two weeks ago. She is here to present her proposal for her not-for-profit Creative Spirits CDC. She is looking to provide youth development for ages 13-19 and is looking to rent the community center and use the office space upstairs, the conference room and the gym for certain events during the year for \$3000 a month. She stated she has a grant of a million dollars for 3-5 years. She stated she has partnerships with District 218, Cal-Park Park District, BIRNN, Island Kitchen, UIC-stem

program. The board is asking to see documentation of these partnerships and a written proposal/lease since it was not provided at this meeting.

V. Citizen comments: None

VI. Closed Session: Section 2 (c) (3) Deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of municipal employees.

It was moved by Trustee Harper and seconded by Trustee Maxey to enter into closed session.

Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Jackson

Absent: Robinson, Collier

Motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Dyson to reconvene into special meeting.

Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Jackson

Absent: Robinson, Collier

Motion carried.

VII. Adjournment: it was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Dyson to adjourn.

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Village Clerk/Sharon Dyson


