

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
December 12, 2023 7:00 P.M.
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:03 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.

P Tiffany S. Robinson

P Gregory N. Jackson

P Michael Collier Sr.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant

P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson

P Village Admin Shuntai Sykes

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Jackson to approve the Regular Minutes Oct 10, 2023, and Nov. 28, 2023.

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

Motion carried.

- II. Communications/Announcements

As previously stated by the mayor, the village received a 1 million grant to renovate the village hall. In preparation, the village hall will be closed to the public from Dec. 21-22, 27-29. We will re-open on Jan. 3rd. The water department will be operational at the police department. All other departments will be operational at the Community Center. Please be patient as we make this transition. You can still pay your water via Epay on the village website.

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.

Robbins Police Department 1st annual toy drive, is accepting donations of new toys to give children a better holiday this year until Dec. 20th, Drop time 9am-7pm

Photos with Santa, Thursday December 21st from 5pm-7pm at the Robbins Police Dept, 3323 W 137th Street. Come join our elves to write a letter to Santa and send it to the north pole
As of Dec 1, LIHEAP is now open for all income-eligible Cook County residents. You can call 800-571-2332.

Due to the renovation of the village hall, Village stickers will go on sale beginning Jan 3rd.

High School District 218 education foundation is sponsoring a holiday gathering for the Robbins and Blue Island communities. The 1st one is on Wednesday Dec. 27 from 1-3pm at the Eagles Bowling Alley, 2427 Grove St., Blue Island, IL. Bowling & food is included. Students must have their school ID.

The second event is Teen Talk on Wednesday, Jan 3rd from 1-3PM at the Robbins Community Ctr, 13800 Trumbull Ave. There will be vendors, college & career readiness support. Food will be provided. If you would like to support or have any questions, please email Danita.allen@chsd218.org.

Chat with the Chief, January 16, 2024 at 6PM, Robbins Police Department, 3323 W. 137th St. Open discussion on safety, statistics, community collaboration, and quality of life.

Please say Happy Birthday to Legislative Assistant Ryan Buckley!

- III. A. Mayor's report: He wished everyone a Merry Christmas. There is a lot to be thankful for and a lot in store for 2024. There was another demolition of the eyesore at 135th & St. Louis. We've torn down over 40 structures out of the 160 that's needed, which increases value and safety to the community. The last time the village hall had work done was in 1973, it will be renovated over the next several months. The Community Center is next, \$300,000 is set to go out to bid next week.
- Also there will be RFP going out for \$2 million in streetlights and \$3 million will start the Claire Blvd renovation. MWRD-phase 1 is almost complete, waiting on asphalt of Woodlawn St.
- Street repaving will continue in the spring for Kostner, Keystone, Monticello, and Nelson. A commitment has been made by the mayor and a company to bring a name brand franchise restaurant to the community (Harold's), the board must work out the logistics. Public safety has to be a priority before the summer. Proposal to get 30 additional cameras with blue strobe light. Congressman Jackson awarded us \$400,000 to be used with the Flock safety system.
- Administrator's report: The village hall will have some disruptions over the next several months as the renovations of the village hall begin. Please be patient during this time. Coordinating grant compliance, continuing audit updates.
- B. Clerk's report: Revenue Dates 9/26/23-12/11/23
Business license \$150.00, Flea Market \$25,932.00, Lien Release \$105.00, Liquor License \$5,550.00, Senior Vehicle Sticker \$60.00, Transfer Stamps \$1,475.00, Vehicle Sticker \$370.00, Total \$33,642.004
- C. Treasurer's report: None

IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Robinson – Thanked the citizens for their support, grateful to be the face of the village. Congrats to the Robbins Eagles, and Midwest Hawks. Coffee talk with Trustee Robinson has been every month since she started, the next one will be Dec. 23rd, 9am-10am. Today we had a COW meeting that went well, thank you to Mr. Ward from the planning and zoning committee.

Public safety – Next meeting will be after the first of the year. We have been speaking with Dan Murdock from Flock Safety about gun detection services.

License & Ordinance-thank you to the clerk for her assistance with Municode, we received an update about the final draft. Feels great about the amendments that have been made during this administration. Reminder, the ordinances, old and new can be found on the website. Provided her email to citizens.

Trustee Collier-No report for public works, happy holidays, stay safe.
Trustee Dyson-he's concerned about the accidents that keep happening near the pumping station, need some type of barrier around the building. VA stated Mr. Stewart is working on it.
Trustee Robinson -asked if we will meet with MWRD. Mayor stated they will not meet with the village until at least March 2024, after phase 1 is complete.

V. NEW BUSINESS/CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve consent agenda items A thru D, E thru G, except F

Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier
Motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Collier for consent agenda F to approve the removal of dates June 25th and Dec. 24th from the regular council meeting dates for 2024.

Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier
Motion carried.

VII. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Ward asked what is being built on the Scotland project on Springfield Ave.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to adjourn.
Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk


