

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 12, 2024 7:00 P.M.
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:00 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.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Tiffany S. Robinson P Mayor Darren E. Bryant
P Gregory N. Jackson P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson
P Michael Collier Sr

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the Special meeting Feb. 8, 2024, and Regular Minutes Feb 27, 2024
Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier
Motion carried.
- II. 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. If you experience a water main break, please text 708-270-8180 and provide your name and address. Please don't call, text the information.
 - 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.
 - The Robbins Fire Department can help residents get free smoke detectors installed in their homes. Please contact the building dept or fire department for assistance.
 - The next Chat with the Chief is Monday, March 25th @ 6pm here at the police department. Please come out for discussion about the community, safety and other topics of concern.
 - With the unusually warm weather, many citizens have started working on their homes. Please contact the building department before starting any projects to make sure you are in compliance.
 - Early voting can be done at the following locations:
Alsip Village Hall 4500 W. 122nd St, M-Sat 9-5, Sun 10-4
Crestwood Civic Center 13820 S Cicero, M-Sat 9-5, Sun 10-4
Markham Courthouse 16501 S Kedzie, M-Fri 9-5, no weekend

Voting is March 19th, please see your voting registration card for your particular polling place. These elections are very important, please exercise your right to vote.

- There will be an Easter Egg Hunt on Friday, March 29th from 2pm-4pm at the Robbins Park District, 13650 Claire Blvd. There will be Easter baskets (while supplies last) and refreshments. For more information call 708-577-4752
- You are invited to an Easter coat drive on March 16th from 2pm-4pm at the Robbins Park District, 13650 Claire Blvd. For more information call 708-577-4752
- The Dollar General is officially open for business.

- III. A. Mayor's report: He visited the new Dollar General and it is very nice, similar to a small grocery store with fresh produce. It will take everyone doing their part to make this work, from the management at the store, to the citizens patronizing the business. Gave a brief overview of each committee, what's currently happening and who the chairperson is. The village hall renovation is going well, looking to be complete by the end of summer 2024.

Nelson Ave and Monticello are slated to be paved in early summer.

If you see a stray dog, please call 708-501-0721, which is Preyon Pest Control, they will come out. Please describe the dog and the area spotted address.

MWRD will be out at the council meeting on April 9th to give an update on the project.

Bidding for phase 2 is on the MWRD website.

RFP (Request for Proposals) will be going out for the community center, street lighting and the water tower by the end of the month. It will be on the village website, newspaper, and Facebook.

B. Clerk's report: None

C. Treasurer's report: None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Dyson for the approval of the warrant list for Feb. 28 and March 1 in the amount of \$229,432.19.

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

Motion carried.

- B. It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustee Maxey to approve Resolution 3-12-24, a resolution appointing the IMRF authorized agent for the Village of Robbins.

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

Motion carried.

V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Collier-Water: Provided update about the water break at 119th Street. The county has stepped in to help because the repair is taking longer than expected. We will continue to get water from Alsip for the time.

He advised he is the chairperson for the back-to-school parade committee. The next meeting is March 23rd @10am, here in the courtroom. They are looking for volunteers, as well as sponsorship. Donations should be made to the Village of Robbins and must include in the memo section-Robbins Festival.

Trustee Robinson – Happy birthday to citizen Rosie Mitchell. We will have COW meetings as needed.

Public Safety-the next meeting is March 21@ 4:45PM, will be looking for grants through the Department of Justice to bring resources to the police dept. Will be meeting with Chief Malley and DC Bollinger regarding an IGA for CalComm.

License/Ordinance-will continue to amend and create new ordinances as needed. Advised citizens about potential ticketing for expired plates and village stickers. Municode is being updated and we should have it soon. Ordinances are on the village website. Provided her email address if citizen needed to contact her.

Chief Malley introduced new members of the fire department:

Eric Starks, Jason Jackson, Raphael Canty and Lee Musgraves III. Two other new members, Caprice Gordon and Deja Brown, could not be at tonight's meeting.

VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ms. Echols asked who is over the industrial committee and what is going on at the plant. Mr. Ward wanted to confirm that we are getting water from Alsip and asked if it is metered and who is paying for it? Do we still need to do an IGA with Alsip? Trustee Collier said M.E. Simpson is doing hydrant flushing now. Should we be doing hydrant flushing during this time?

Ms. Henry asked the mayor on behalf of Ramone's Baby Whirl, if she can have a bunny bash on March 29th?

Ms. Fulson asked if this water break would increase our indebtedness to the city of Chicago. When will the sign on Maxey court be put back?

Mr. Mr. Waley needs a definite answer about the tree they have complained about.

Ms. Waley asked if it can't be done this week, when can they expect it to be taken care of?

Ms. Tuggle asked what the hours for early voting in Alsip are.

Mayor announced the trip to Springfield will be April 10th, more details to follow.

Citizens dismissed at 7:44PM

VII. CLOSED SESSION: Section 2(C) (11) Pending, probable or imminent litigation.

Section 2 (C) (1) Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance.

It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Harper to convene into closed session.

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

Motion carried. Time 7:54 PM

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Collier to reconvene into regular session.

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

Motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Robinson to adjourn the meeting.

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk

