

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 22, 2023, 2023 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.

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 Harper and seconded by Trustee Jackson to approve the Regular minutes August 8, 2023.

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Collier, Jackson, Harper

Motion carried.

- II. Communications/Announcements:

If you have not signed up for the village text alerts, please go on the website and sign up.

For those that are here tonight and haven't signed up, there are forms in the back, please fill it out and return to us. By signing up, you will get a text to advise you if there is an emergency or water shutoff, etc.

The Robbins Fire Department will be able to assist residents with getting free smoke detectors installed in their homes. If you are not able to complete the form online that is listed on the Village website under the Fire Department tab, please contact the building Department for assistance.

In light of the expected high temperatures this week, please be advised of the following locations that will serve as cooling centers for citizens in need:

The police department, The community center on Wednesday and Thursday from 10am-5pm, The Wm Leonard library is also open between 10am-6pm

The West Crawford Block Club is having a party for the West Crawford residents on Sat., August 26, from noon-3pm at 135th place & Keystone. Food, games & fun, must provide I.D. There is a fundraising art show for the Robbins History Museum featuring Robbins' own John Sibley on Sat., August 26th from noon-6pm at the 135th & Kedzie. Please come out and support them. For more information, call 708-359-8701.

The annual back to school parade & festival will be Sept 1-3 starting with the backyard house party on Friday from 5-11pm, on Saturday noon-11pm, beginning with the kid zone featuring the Jesse white tumblers and talent show, including the dynamic duo of Steppin Ramonski Luv and Sam Chatman, finishing up on Sunday with the annual parade and gospel concert (parade starts at 2pm, concert starts at 5pm)

If you haven't filled out the form for the lead-line replacement service, please do so right away. Forms should have been sent to your home, but if you didn't receive one, you can pick up one at the village hall. Please don't miss out on this valuable opportunity. 2nd annual Dr. Irene H. Brodie scholarship application is available on the website, deadline to apply is August 31st, available to Robbins residents only, 2023 junior and high school graduates.

There is a Citizens First meeting at 5PM this Friday, August 26th at 3621 Maxey Court. It is hosted by the Maxey Court Block Club. Please come out and join us.

State Rep. Will Davis will have a community shred day, electronic recycling & prescription drug take back on September 9, 2023 from 9am-noon at 1912 W. 174th St., East Hazel Crest, IL., For more information you can call 708-799-7300

III. Administrative Reports:

A) Mayor's Report:

Mayor reminded citizens to please stay safe during this heat wave.

The Rocky Clark Legacy field is scheduled for the fall of 2024 on Claire Blvd.

We are not rearing down all the trees in the village, but will be clearing the easements on 135th, 137th, 139th, main thoroughfares.

Come out and enjoy the festivities this Labor Day weekend. The friends of Darren E. Bryant will be selling wristbands for all you can eat and drink on Saturday and Sunday. Cost is \$30.00 for one day, \$50.00 for both days. All vendors must have proper licenses to operate.

Administrator's Report:

We are preparing for the extreme heat, cooling centers are available. The audit preparation of phase 1 is continuing. There will be a USEPA status meeting this month. EPAY will go live on September 1st on the village website (where you can pay your water bill).

B) Clerk's Report: None

C) Treasurer's Report:

It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the treasurer's report for July in the amount of \$699,597.02.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Motion carried.

IV. A. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve Resolution 8-22-23, authorizing delegates to attend the IML conference Sept 21-23, 2023.

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Motion carried.

V. Standing Committee Reports

Trustee Robinson will have coffee with citizens on August 26th at 10:00. Bremen Township will be there with information about programs for seniors.

Public Safety-Thank you to Chief Scott, Chief Malley, and DC Bollinger for coming out to the safety committee meeting on August 10th. The transition with Cook County Dispatch has been seamless, I am very pleased with the service.

There was also a Licenses/Ordinance meeting on the 10th. If you have a concern, please use the link on the village website. Provided her email and phone number.

Trustee Collier-Public Works/Water reminded citizens the reports are in the back for review. Reminded citizens of the new water rates, effective September 1st.

Trustee Maxey-Building Dept. asked mayor to give update, mayor read report, is also in the back for citizen review. Trustee commended the mayor for his work with the public works employees.

Public property-There was a meeting regarding the adjacent property program. There will be another one on Thursday @6PM.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A) It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustees Harper and Dyson to approve the title tract search invoice in the amount of \$4050.00.

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Motion carried.

B) It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Maxey to approve the Environmental Insurance in the amount of \$4667.00.

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Motion carried.

VII. Consent Agenda

It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustee Jackson to approve consent agenda items 1, 2, and 3.

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Motion carried.

Trustee Dyson stated he received one personal complaint about ComEd leaving trees along the power lines, either their employees or contractors. The administrator advised she will reach out to Bonita Estelle. Mr. Baker said she's been contacted already, waiting to hear back. Trustee Robinson stated the citizens in the new homes have the same concern.

VIII. Citizen Comments

Ms. Echols is concerned about the people who have overgrown property in the village and they don't live here. She feels we need a new adjudicator because he dismisses all the cases. Feels we need an ordinance that addresses lots.

Ms. Fulson stated ComEd tore up their lawns while going to the area to cut along the power lines.

Ms. Hamilton thanked Mr. Baker and anyone else that had anything to do with getting the car lot cleaned up.

Ms. LaWanda thanked the mayor for allowing them to use the community center for summer camp, they will be using it for after school program.

Ms. Tuggle asked what time will the street closures start for the parade.

Ms. Westbrook stated she will be going to court against ComEd on August 31st. Welcomed anyone to join her.

IX. Adjournment

It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustees Robinson and Dyson to adjourn until the next regular or special session.

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM

Village Clerk/Sharon S. Dyson

Sharon Dyson