

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 25, 2021 7:00 P.M.
Meeting Location: 3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Police Courtroom, 2nd Flr

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time) 7:01 P.M.

BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and LORD'S PRAYER In Unison

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

 p David R. Dyson
 p Ernest Maxey Jr.
 p George Brewton

 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 Administrator Todd Stroger

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? y

I. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the minutes of May 11, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carried

II. SWEARING IN OF TODD STROGER AS VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

III. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. The Robbins Park District will have their Monthly meetings every 3rd Wednesday at noon at 13800 S. Trumbull Ave
- b. National End Gun Violence Community Event (free event) Saturday June 5th 11am-2pm at the Robbins Community Center 13800 S. Trumbull Ave
- c. Free dinners served Saturday June 5th 2pm-3:30pm at New Friendship MBC 3620-22 W. 139th St. Carry out only – Mask required
- d. ManUP – free suits, job coaching, food, music and more Saturday June 12th 12-4pm at the Robbins Park District 13650 Claire Blvd
- e. Free Community Shred Day, sponsored by Rep. William Davis, Saturday June 12th 9am-noon 1912 W. 174th St. East Hazel Crest, IL, households only, no businesses
- f. Summer Camp 2021 at the Robbins Community Center 13800 S Trumbull Ave., June 15th- July 23rd, Cost is \$125 and each addl sibling \$75
- g. New Life Alive invites you to Praise on the Lot, June 20th 11:30 am, 13800 Trumbull
- h. Friends of the Park invites you to the Juneteenth Celebration on June 19th from 1-9 PM at 13800 Trumbull Ave. Donations can be made to the Robbins Park District P.O. Box 115, Robbins, IL 60472

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report

Darren E. Bryant

- The Mayor stated he will be using the hashtag "Robbins United" throughout his tenure. With 8 members of the board working together, we can move the village forward. He reminded the citizens that his platform can still be found on The Community Campaign website.
- This past weekend there was a vendor fair at the Robbins Community Center, seeking job applicants to fill certain positions in the village, such as Mayor's Administrative Asst., Police Chief, Code Enforcement Officer
- Please reach out to the Mayor and Board, we are accessible

B. Clerk's Report

Sharon Dyson

No report, but asked for patience in getting business licenses out

C. Treasurer Report

Margaret Newell

The beginning balance was \$781,524.62

The ending balance was \$770,096.15 as of April 30, 2021

It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustee Maxey to accept the Treasurers report. There was a question by Trustee Dyson regarding a line item on report about closed accounts. Treasurer Newell gave an explanation that some accounts not being used are being closed out.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion carried

V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor stated each Trustee will sit on at least two committees, and this is the first time there's been such inclusion.

- Public Safety: Chair Trustee Robinson, members Trustee Brewton and Trustee Maxey
- Transportation: Chair Trustee Robinson, members Trustee Maxey and Trustee Collier
- Finance: Chair Trustee Brewton, members Trustee Dyson and Trustee Jackson
- Building/Code: Chair Trustee Dyson, members Trustee Collier and Trustee Brewton
- Ordinance/License: Chair Trustee Dyson, members Trustee Maxey and Trustee Robinson
- Public Property: Chair Trustee Brewton, members Trustee Robinson and Trustee Jackson
- Public Works/Water: Chair Trustee Collier, members Trustee Dyson and Trustee Jackson
- Industrial: Chair Trustee Jackson, members Trustee Dyson and Trustee Collier

Trustee Brewton stated Paul Rayon Pest Control has begun, where they are currently fighting a rodent problem on the West side. The program is broken into four zones in the village. The first ten residents who sign up in each zone will receive service for free, expedited service is for a fee. You can sign up at building@robbins-il.com or call 708-385-8940 x233

The transportation committee will be visiting with the police and fire to see what their needs are

Trustee Collier stated he has spoken with public works about making sure the village is clean

Trustee Dyson stated they will be having more committee meetings and vetting issues before having them on the agenda. Wants the attorney to meet with new officials so they will be aware of what's happening in the village

VI. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, ETC.
NONE AT THIS TIME

VII. NEW BUSINESS

IT WAS MOVED BY TRUSTEE BREWTON AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ROBINSON TO ACCEPT THE WARRANT LIST OF MAY 10, 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,399.30. CORRECTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE DYSON TO CORRECT AMOUNT IS \$45,607.77

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: DYSON, MAXEY, BREWTON, ROBINSON, JACKSON, COLLIER

MOTION CARRIED

THE MAYOR ASKED FOR A MOTION TO MOVE THE CITIZENS COMMENTS AHEAD OF THE CLOSED SESSION. IT WAS MOVED BY TRUSTEE ROBINSON AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE COLLIER TO MOVE THE CITIZENS COMMENTS BEFORE GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION ON THE AGENDA

ROLL CALL:

AYES: DYSON, MAXEY, BREWTON, ROBINSON, JACKSON, COLLIER

MOTION CARRIED

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

- LULA FULSON ASKED IF THE MWRD PROJECT WILL BE PART OF THIS ADMINISTRATION AND IF THE CITIZENS WILL STILL HAVE A PART IN IT.
- VANESSA ROBINSON STATED SHE USED TO DO THE SENIOR BRUNCH AND WANTS TO KNOW IF THEY CAN USE THE FORMER CEDA BUILDING TO RESUME THAT. SHE ALSO STATED SHE WOULD LIKE FOR THE PROGRAM THAT RECOGNIZES SENIORS OVER 90 YEARS OLD TO CONTINUE.
- LADONNA LYMON, AGAIN CONGRATULATED THE NEW ADMINISTRATION. SHE STATED HER CONCERN ABOUT A TREE THAT IS TOWERING OVER AND TOUCHING THE ROOF OF HER MOTHER'S HOME AT 13747 ST. LOUIS. SHE SAID THE VILLAGE HAS BEEN AWARE OF THIS PROBLEM FOR YEARS AND HOPES SHE CAN GET SOME ASSISTANCE WITH GETTING THIS TAKEN CARE OF. TRUSTEE COLLIER WILL LOOK INTO IT.
- MRS. BOLTON STATED HER CONCERN ABOUT THE LACK OF LIGHTING ON CENTRAL PARK BY THE LIBRARY. SHE ALSO ASKED THAT THERE BE HAND SANITIZER AVAILABLE AT THE NEXT MEETING
- BARBARA PARHAM VOICED HER CONCERN ABOUT HER WATER BILL, STATED IT'S JUST HER AND HER SON WHO LIVES IN THE HOME AND SHE GOT A BILL FOR \$50 MORE THAN ANY OTHER TIME. SHE STATED SHE HAS ALWAYS PAID THE SENIOR RATE.

- MYRNA RATLIFF STATED HER CONCERN THAT THE VILLAGE IS FILTHY, TOO MANY OLD CARS, GARBAGE BEING LEFT. SHE SITED 13628 TURNER AS ONE PLACE IN PARTICULAR. AS WELL AS CLAIRE & KEDZIE. SHE FEELS PEST CONTROL WON'T HELP IF THE VILLAGE ALLOWS THE CITIZENS TO HAVE ALL THIS JUNK AND GARBAGE LYING AROUND.
- LULA FULSON ASKED IF WE HAVE A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. SHE WAS ADVISED THE VILLAGE HAS TWO (2).
- MR. REED STATED HE HASN'T BEEN IN THIS BUILDING SINCE MAYOR BRODIE WAS IN OFFICE AND IT'S AN EYESORE, NEEDS RENOVATION. ALSO SAID HE WAS CONFUSED BY THE TREASURER'S REPORT, WASN'T SURE IF WE DOING WELL OR IN TROUBLE. HE ALSO SAID HE WAS CONFUSED BY THE DIFFERENT COMMITTEES AND WANTED TO KNOW IF CITIZENS CAN BE A PART OF THEM.

MAYOR REPLIED THAT THE VILLAGE HAS APPLIED FOR CAPITOL BUILDING FUNDS FROM SPRINGFIELD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3.5 MILLION. HE WILL GET DESCRIPTIONS OF WHAT EACH COMMITTEE DOES.

TRUSTEE DYSON MOTIONED TO CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE COLLIER & TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: DYSON, MAXEY, BREWTON, ROBINSON, JACKSON, COLLIER

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT 7:56 pm

VIII. CLOSED SESSION (FOR ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE DEALING WITH LAND, PERSONNEL AND OTHER LEGAL MATTERS)

TRUSTEE MAXEY MOTIONED TO END CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE JACKSON

ROLL CALL:

AYES: DYSON, MAXEY, BREWTON, ROBINSON, JACKSON, COLLIER

MOTION CARRIED

TRUSTEE MAXEY MOTIONED TO END REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING UNTIL NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE ROBINSON. AYES HAVE IT.

ADJOURNMENT

TIME: 8:49 P.M.



 Sharon Dyson, Village Clerk