

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
January 10, 2023 7:00 P.M.  
3323 W. 137<sup>th</sup> St. Robbins, IL  
Robbins Courtroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:16 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.  
A 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 Village Admin Shuntai Sykes

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the minutes of 12-27-22.  
Roll call:  
Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier  
Absent: Brewton  
Motion carried
- II. Communications/Announcements:
  - a) Please get your village stickers before the deadline to avoid a penalty
  - b) There is no list of village owned properties. Please do not call the clerk's office or the building department. There will be an announcement made about properties at the appropriate time.
- III. Administrative Reports:
  - A. Mayor's Report:  
Happy New Year to everyone. There is an aggressive initiative to get all distressed properties down in the village, 'Operation Distress Free'. There will be a one million dollar street resurfacing in the spring. The MWRD project is still ongoing. There is limestone there, the administration has protected the mineral rights. Please register for text alerts either by going on the website or calling to the village hall and provide your information. He was in Springfield today and met with several reps, seeking funding for the village. Will be meeting with Senator Dick Durbin on Thursday. The mayor's state of the village address will be coming soon, via the website.  
Village Administrator introduced the new HR Generalist Telicia Shelton
  - B. Clerk's Report:  
The clerk read report for transfer stamp sales, village stickers, liquor license and the flea market
  - C. Treasurer's Report: None
- IV. Standing Committee Reports

Trustee Robinson stated next COW meeting is Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. She will host her coffee with Trustee Robinson on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.  
Public Safety-There are 29 active police officers. We purchased our own ambulance, became operational Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, still looking for EMT for the fire department  
License/ordinance-Still working on updating the ordinances. The push tax ordinance will be enforced, a letter will be sent out soon. Any business operating in the village should be registered with the Clerk's office. Please comply, so you aren't fined or ticketed.  
Provided email [trobinson@robbins-il.com](mailto:trobinson@robbins-il.com) and ph# 708-470-9872

Trustee Collier commended public works for their work on the recent water breaks and their work on snow removal.

Public works-Mr. Stewart gave updates, citizens were given a written report  
Water-The monthly water bills will be sent out tomorrow. Mayor stated the water rates will be increasing soon.

Building Dept—Trustee Dyson asked Mr. Baker to give his report:  
He recapped the demolition process, next area 135<sup>th</sup>-137<sup>th</sup> East to West. Advised again there is no list of properties for sale by the village, please do not call the village hall. Citizens were provided a written report.

- V. 1) It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve Resolution 01-10-23, A Resolution Appointing the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Authorized Agent for the Village of Robbins, IL

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Brewton

Motion carried

2) It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Collier to approve Ordinance 01-10-23, An Ordinance Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Brewton

Motion carried

- VI. a) It was moved by T. Robinson and seconded by Trustee Collier to approve the employee handbook. HR Ms. Shelton stated there needed to be minor changes made.

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Robinson to defer to next meeting.

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Brewton

Motion carried

b) It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the warrant list in the amount of \$14366.05

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Motion carried

- VII. Citizen comments

Katherine Salinas asked what do you do about property next to you that is not being maintained?

Ms. Rhodes asked if the HR Generalist could come up front, so everyone could see her

Ms. Ward appreciates all the department head reports. How are we doing with the delinquent water accounts?

Ms. Fulson asked if we have a complaint about the snow, should she call the building dept? Is her water bill going up?

Amerila Soel stated her bill is due on the 15<sup>th</sup> and before she can pay it, she is getting another bill. What is happening?

Rave Ramsaran stated he is having the same problem.

Ms. Salinas asked why her bill was for \$75.00 and she had only been there 3 days.

Mayor stated he is making the decision to have a water meeting next Tuesday at 6PM

Gilbert Shepherd thanked the mayor for the work being done in the village, his side of town has been neglected. He doesn't mind the demolition, as long as they leave the debris neat.

Ms. Ward asked what is the status of the community center? Stated she is the one that called the Dept. of Health about the conditions

Ms. Williams asked is there mold on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the community center?

Rave Ramsaran said he can see changes in the community.

Ms. Fulson asked can a repast be held at the community center now?

Mr. Stewart stated at no time has any representative from the community center addressed a concern about mold to him

Ms. Murphy asked is community center approved for occupancy? Who's responsible if I want to rent the facility? She wants to volunteer to be a middle person to help resolve issues between the village and the park district

Mr. Barker said he's been on Trumbull over 40 years and people are complaining that their children can't go to the community center

Citizens dismissed at 8:04PM so the board could go into closed session.

It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Jackson to convene from regular session into closed session at 8:19pm.

Roll call:

Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Brewton

Motion carried

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

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Robinson to adjourn until next regular session.

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, meeting adjourned at 9:19PM

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk

Sharon Dyson