

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

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:09 PM

BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant

Pledge of Allegiance and Lord's Prayer said in Unison

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

P David R. Dyson

P Tiffany S. Robinson
Via Telephone

P Ernest Maxey Jr.

A Gregory N. Jackson

P Thomas Harper Jr.

P Michael Collier Sr.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant

A Village Clerk Sharon Dyson

P Village Admin Shuntai Sykes

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the Regular Minutes September 26, 2023
Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier
Absent: Jackson
Motion carried.
- II. Communications/Announcements
If you have not signed up for the village text alerts, please go on the website and sign up. 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. Please contact the building dept or fire department for assistance.
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. The fire department will have a pancake breakfast on Oct. 21st from 10-12pm at the Community Center, 13800 Trumbull Ave., Robbins, IL. The cost is \$10, \$8 for seniors 65 and up, \$5 for kids 7 and under. Come out and support the men and women of the Robbins Fire Department.
Breast Cancer Awareness Program with Guest Speakers L'Tonia Williams and Theresa D. Moore Caradine will be October 14th from 4-7pm at the Robbins Community Center, 13800 Trumbull Ave. Come join us in this fight!
Fall Fest 2023 will be Saturday, Oct. 28th from 2pm-7pm at the Community Center, 13800 Trumbull Ave. Come out for family fun, games, food, hayrides and more.
LIHEAP is now open for households with a senior age 60 and over, persons with a disability and families with children under the age of 6. Also, qualified homeowners can receive vouchers for repairing or replacing their heating systems, such as furnaces and boilers. Call 800-571-2332 or visit www.CEDAord.net/Bills for more information.

Robbins Friends of the Park is having a Fish Fry on Oct 13 & Oct 27, from noon-4pm at 13650 Claire Blvd, Robbins, IL. Fish Dinner \$15, Fish/Chicken Combo \$18. For more information call 708-577-4752

Robbins Park District and Friends of the Park Annual Senior and Veterans Luncheon will be Saturday, Nov 11, from 12pm-3pm at Kellar School 14123 Lydia Ave. Robbins, IL

- III. A. Mayor's report: The mayor addressed the safety issues in the community and the procedures he and Chief Scott are looking to implement. He wants to have safety forums scheduled going forward. Chief Scott asked for the citizens help by saying something when they see something. He will start to send out community alerts and provided his cell number to the citizens.

The mayor discussed speed bumps, cameras, and ordinances in response to a citizen inquiry. Effective immediately, from 6am-5pm, the following streets will be closed for resurfacing: Lincoln Lane, Clifton Park, Ridgeway, Hamlin and St. Louis.

Congratulations to the Robbins Eagles organization for their 40-year celebration and hard work.

The village received a \$4 million grant for the water tower and pumping stations. Although we need much more, this is a start and thank you to Gov. Pritzker for his help.

On Nov. 7th, I am planning a trip to Springfield to continue to advocate for the village and everyone is welcome to come along.

We had about 70 residents that came out to the developer's fair last month, that was huge. Be on the lookout for the next workshop.

The \$1 million RFQ (request for qualification) is now available on the village website and is open to the public.

B. Clerk's report: None

C. Treasurer's report: None

IV. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS

A. It was moved by Trustee Harper and seconded by Trustees Dyson and Robinson to approve agreement with Cell at Auction, DBA Wireless Bridge Partner

It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Dyson to defer agreement until an environmental study can be done.

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

Absent: Jackson

Motion carried.

V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Robinson – Congratulations again to the Robbins Eagle organization. Thank you to the Democratic Women of the South Suburbs and the citizens that came out on Sept. 30th for coffee talk with Trustee Robinson. The next coffee talk will be Oct. 28th @ 10:00am.

Public Safety-Please come out to support the fire department at their first pancake breakfast fundraiser. The next public safety meeting will be Oct. 19th @ 5PM

License/Ordinance-Reminded citizens old and new ordinances can be found on the village website. The next license/ordinance meeting will be on Oct. 19th @ 6PM. Provided her email.

Trustee Collier-Public Works, phase 1 of the MWRD project is scheduled to finish up at the end of November and phase 2 will start in the spring of next year. Public works is still maintaining the grass, while working on demolitions.

Water-please continue to pay your water bill. We are working on getting pay machines, where you can pay your water bill after hours. More information to come.

Trustee Maxey-Building department wanted to reassure the citizens that all procedures for demolition of distressed properties are being done correctly and they are taking all necessary precautions to make sure the village is safe.

VI. NEW BUSINESS-

- A. It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustees Harper and Robinson to defer the approval of the warrant list until the next meeting.

Roll Call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Collier

Absent: Jackson, Collier

Motion carried.

- B. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the street closure the Chopp Shopp's Trunk or Treat on Oct 31st from 5-7 PM.

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

Absent: Jackson

Motion carried.

VII. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ms. Waley asked what the additional service charge on the water bill is for? Why are we paying a flat rate is you have a meter?

Ms. Murphy stated she's concerned about cancer clusters in the village, especially west of I-294. Holding them to the environmental study.

Ms. Frieda Lindsey noted the police presence in the village no, it's nice to see them out.

Ms. Scott asked what other development is going on north of 135th & Central Park, and on St. Louis? Also stated the weeds need to be cut on the corner of St. Louis.

Why were the high-tension wires removed from the canal?

Ms. Ratliff asked is there an area designated in the village for truck parking?

Ms. Waley asked there anything set up yet where she can purchase an empty across from her house.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

