

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
March 14, 2023, 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): 7:09 PM

BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant

Pledge of Allegiance and Lord's Prayer said in Unison

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

P David R. Dyson  
P 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 Village Admin Shuntai Sykes

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Maxey to approve the Regular minutes Feb 28, 2023.  
Roll call:  
Ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Brewton, Robinson, Jackson, Collier  
Motion carried.
- II. Communications/Announcements:
  - a) The hometown heroes problem is still accepting applications for the upcoming season. You can fill out the application on the village's website under the resident information tab or pick one up at the village hall. Also, if you previously purchased a banner and would like an additional one, please contact the clerk's office.
  - b) There are still resources available to help with your utilities, please contact CEDA, Bremen and Worth Township and Pathlights for assistance, some of the funds are limited.
  - c) Stay tuned, the pet vaccination clinic will return this year, sometime in June, will update when date is confirmed. All dogs and cats need to be registered with the village and have the proper tags.
  - d) Moraine Valley invites you to an open house Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup>, 9am-noon, 9000 W. College Parkway, Palos Hills, IL building M. There is also a College Fair on Tuesday April 18<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30 PM, in Building H
  - e) Spring is almost here, and April is clean up time in the Village. More details to follow soon such as dates for shredding, pickup of large items, etc. In the meantime, please start cleaning up around your homes and in your neighborhood.
  - f) Please go on the village website and sign up to get text alerts. This is a way to be notified of important village updates. It's simple to do, go to the village website, click on the resident's information tab, then go to text alerts and fill out the form.

III. Administrative Reports:

A) Mayor's Report:

Mayor stated we are about 4-5 weeks away from getting \$1 million dollars to renovate the village hall with additional funds for water and economic development in the works.

Two grants are being worked on: CDBG for \$400,0000, and one for Invest in Cook Street repaving should begin next month, excited about Lincoln Lane because it has been neglected for a long time.

The village planner has made some preliminary plans for Zone 2, but he's not satisfied with those plans and sent them back to be reworked before presenting to the board and public. Due to a power outage, 135<sup>th</sup> was blocked off until 10PM last night. Asked citizens to please sign up for text alerts to be informed of important information in the village.

Administrator Sykes read report, citizens provided a written copy.

B) Clerk's Report: read report, citizens provided a written copy.

C) Treasurer's Report: No report

IV. Ordinances, Resolutions, Contracts, Agreements, Etc.

A) It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Robinson to approve Michelle Simon for A/P (accounts payable) Confirmation Project

Roll call:

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

Motion carried.

V. Standing Committee Reports

Trustee Robinson-Working with Cook County Clerk's office to have a 'Clerk's Office on Wheels' here at the police dept, date to be determined. Coffee talk with Trustee Robinson will be March 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am, police department. She is offering free Spanish classes to Robbins residents virtually on Thursday or Saturday, please contact her at [repspanish@gmail.com](mailto:repspanish@gmail.com) for more information. She is working with Monique Shelton of the BIRN Network to get resources for the community.

Public Safety-On Tuesday March 21, 2023 from 6:30-8PM at Moraine Valley, 9000 W. College Parkway, Building M, Palos Hills, there is a meeting with State's Attorney Kim Fox. Accepting applications for the fire department, cost is \$25, can be picked up at the village hall.

License & Ordinance-discussion regarding Community Service Officers and an auxiliary police board, hoping to have those items on the next agenda. If you have a concern, please log onto the website and put in a ticket for follow-up. Provided her ph# 708-470-9872 and email [trobinson@robbins-il.com](mailto:trobinson@robbins-il.com).

Trustee Collier-Public works/Water, citizens given written copy.

Should have an answer about the water rate increase soon.

Trustee Jackson-Transportation-On March 7<sup>th</sup> met with license/ordinance committee to review all truck ordinances. There will be no truck parking in the village once the new ordinance is passed. Stated the village's infrastructure is poor for having heavy trucks in the neighborhoods.

Bus shelters in the village, we originally had 10, 5 are damaged. Reached out to PACE representative Jessica, who will work to make corrections.

The MWRD project is in full swing, and it will be dusty and muddy at times in the area.

The mayor asked if he could find out about the parking, etc. at the Metra station.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A) It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Brewton to accept the warrant list for the months of January (201,734.39) and February (214,108.66) in the amount of \$415,843.05.

Roll call:

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

Motion carried.

B) It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustees Maxey to approve the swearing in of Telicia Shelton, Human Resources Director

Roll call:

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

Motion carried.

C) It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Robinson to defer approval of New Business Process until next regular meeting

Roll call:

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

Motion carried.

VII. Citizen comments

Pastor Balfour read a statement from his church concerning the zoning on Spaulding, where the church is located.

Mrs. Murphy wants to know who's position it is to address the issue of trucks parking on the streets in the village. If laws are on the books, the citizens want them enforced.

Mrs. Ratliff stated the truck driver came back again and blocked her driveway, after Trustee Robinson spoke to him about it.

Ms. Fulson asked did we pay \$5 million to do the audit? Why isn't the auditor being sued if he didn't complete the work? RainReady was awarded some money, will they get some of it? Is anybody paying to park at the Metra and is anyone collecting the money?

Sis. Lewis so happy to see everyone here and you're doing a good job.

Ms. Matthews stated she agrees the mayor and board are doing a good job.

VIII. Adjournment

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

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk

