

IS HEREBY GIVEN PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT THAT THE
VILLAGE OF ROBBINS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS WILL HOLD THE FOLLOWING
VILLAGE OF ROBBINS COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 25, 2022 7:00 PM
Via Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/2080350695>
Phone # 1 312 626 6799
Meeting ID: 2080350695 Passcode 60472
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:02pm _____ BY: _Mayor Darren E. Bryant_____

Pledge of Allegiance and Lord's Prayer by Mayor Bryant

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

 P David R. Dyson P Tiffany S. Robinson
 P Ernest Maxey Jr. P Gregory N. Jackson
 P George Brewton P Michael Collier Sr.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

 P Mayor Darren E. Bryant
 P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson
 P V.A. Jasmine Washington

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? _Yes_____

I. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Collier to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting Dec. 24, 2021 and Special meetings Jan. 4, 2022 and Jan 11, 2022.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

II. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Clerk reminded citizens to purchase Village stickers by Feb. 14, after that date late fee will apply.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report- Happy New Year to citizens please view state of village address, on Mayor Bryant Facebook page and channel 4. MWRD update currently taking bids the deadline for bids is Feb. 15, please visit the VOR website for all bidding info, scheduled for construction in March or April 2022.

B. Clerk's Report- The Clerk reported \$1,100.00 for transfer stamps and \$4,430.00 for vehicle sticker sales for month of January.

C. Treasurer's Report-

Mr. Kemp reported the month of November.

General fund - beginning balance- \$355,312.07 ending balance \$254,921.26.

Water sewage- beginning balance \$119,480.45 ending balance-\$48,761.45

Total beginning balance-1,303,507.34 ending balance 1,122,834.40

Month of December

General Fund beginning balance- \$254,921.26 ending balance \$219,738.55

Water/sewage- beginning balance- \$48,761.45 ending balance \$14,237.38

Total beginning balance- 1,121,847.83 ending balance 1,003,621.19

It was moved by Trustee Brewton and seconded by Trustee Dyson to accept the treasures report as read.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Dyson – Industrial- Advised that a representative from BioWorks stated that they have been in meetings in Washington DC and will be updating the community soon.

Trustee Robinson- Public Safety- Happy New Year, Saturday public safety meeting Jan. 29, at 11am. Coffee with Trustee Robinson will be at 10am. The past week sat in with police and with John Howard from Homeland Security to discuss opportunities with the VOR. Oak forest and Crestwood are using our numbers to obtain additional funds, regarding homeland security. Next Tuesday we will hold an ordinance/license meeting to further discuss Chief Sheppard gave update on 360 and Flock cameras. He had an informative meeting with the block clubs. Working with the electrical inspector regarding the location of needed streetlights. He advised that because of COVID, only 2 of the 9 officers scheduled for training in March will attend, the rest will go in August. Lateral applications have picked up, 5 waiting.

Deputy Chief Malley reported there were 1677 incidents last year. He has received 6 applications 3 backgrounds done, waiting on drug test. There was a donation from the town of Rosemont of a tower ladder fire truck last month. Palos Heights donated items for the truck. The month of October was dual response with Merrionette Park.

Trustee Collier- Public works department thanks to Mr. Wells, public works and KNM with snow removal. Discussed the uses for the motor fuel tax levy and how the funds can be used for road repairs and upkeep, which includes snow removal and equipment. Mr. Wells sent proposal for summer program with budget and wants to remind residents not to park on streets when snow is over 2 inches.

V.A. Washington – there is a proposed EPA 100% refunded loan for lead line replacement. Building department is working on tagging dilapidated houses for demolition. Water department was able to get Badger out to investigate the issues with reading meters and billing, the issue was resolved the same day.

Trustee Jackson-Transportation reported an update for transportation shelters at Pace stops, he has contacted someone for lighting at shelters. Ridership did not decrease during Covid. There is a survey for the needs regarding Pace online and in mail.

V. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, ETC.

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Warrant List

No warrant list

B. Approval CAPERS Contract

Trustee Robinson- Capers software holds all information loaded in department. The software has not been maintained since being installed. Negotiated fee for upgrade, with monitoring and troubleshooting \$18,728 and should be good for the next 6-8 years.

It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the Capers Contract.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Motion Carried

C. Discussion of Homeland Security

Chief Sheppard- reached out to John Howard and IGA would allow access for funding opportunities.

1st stage – training- non-lethal tactics, fire a projectile (pepper spray) to temporary immobilize suspect. Effective tool for mentally challenged persons that are not criminal but need medical help.

2nd stage- Bring office into the Village, build an outdoor range, that could potentially bring revenue by being a source for requalification training.

Deputy director in southland. Agreement with training for police and fire with technology. Set up homeland security office in the Village and be provided with the overwatch for children that are latchkey children, terrorist, and barricade situations. Once we focus on Robbins, we can reach out to the surrounding communities for Cook County Homeland security. Mayor requested that agenda item goes to the Public Safety committee.

Trustee Jackson asked if snow removal at the Metra station is a responsibility of the Village. Todd Stroger confirmed that it was a responsibility of the Village.

VII.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Dave Bryant- Will the officers in training be in contractual agreement or do they reimburse the Village, who is holder on Capers contract, police or Village Administrator, VA can you check to see if the EPA program can replace the main water pipes also.

Nate Ward- Met with Greater food depository follow up this week seeking partnership with the Village. Wants to have an actual pantry, not just pass out food. Robbins explorer Club meets every Monday 5-7 PM at the Community Center. They will be taking 6 youth to the Bulls game this week.

Dr Darden - upset about being denied a building permit. He would like a formal letter to find out why. Feels like he is being blackballed by not receiving press releases. Why is the hate toward his family and will he experience the same when he tries to open a restaurant?

Korie Dickson- complement to the mayor and board- on handling situation with snow removal. Commend Mr. Ward on what he is doing with the youth, on behalf of Mommy and Me Daycare would like to donate two tickets towards the next endeavor. Thanks to all.

Ms. Fulson- Want to thank Mayor and Collier for cleanup of snow on Maxey Ct. Heard gunshots out here tonight.

Ms. Rhodes- heard gunshot 15-20 min before meeting started. Chief stated that they were fireworks.

Erica- Have been attending meetings as a future citizen. Last few months there were a lot of setbacks, holidays, Village shutdown due to Covid, paid earnest money, thousands of dollars to architect to have it slacked down this week was like a slap in the face.

Mayor- there will be a response, deeper than what's on surface.

Mrs. murphy- want to encourage all to read over Flood Brother pamphlet. Citizens have gotten lack on putting the cans back after the garbage has been picked up, this is a code violation. Trustee Collier suggested a reminder be put on water bill.

VIII.

It was moved by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Jackson to adjourn. Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM

Shaun Dyson
Village Clerk, Sharon Dyson