

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
July 23, 2024, 7:00 P.M.
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7: 29 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
P Ernest Maxey Jr P Gregory N. Jackson
P Thomas Harper Jr. P Michael Collier Sr

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant
P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the Regular Minutes July 9, 2024

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

Motion carried.

- II. Communications/Announcements

The water department will be operational at the police department on the first floor, payment for water bills, and permits will be made there during regular business hours 9am-3pm., Mon-Fri. All other departments will be operational at the Community Center 13800 Trumbull Ave. You can still pay your bill via Epay on the village website or by mail. Updates can also be found on the village website as well as all village social media pages.

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.

Please contact the building department before starting any projects to make sure you are in compliance with village regulations and to avoid fines and/or penalties.

Robbins Park district and Friends of the park present Free Community pancake breakfast, July 25th from 9am-12pm at 13650 Claire Blvd.

National Night Out is Tuesday, August 6 from 5pm-8pm, 13800 Trumbull. The Robbins Police and Fire Department invites you to attend a night of celebrating community with food, resources and fun!

Robbins Park district and Friends of the park present the annual back to school giveaway, at 13650 S. Claire Blvd., August 10th from 12-3pm. One backpack per child, child needs to be present to receive.

If you need assistance with paying your water bill, please reach out to your local township either Bremen 708-333-9530 or Worth 708-371-2900.

The Assessor's office will be out on Monday July 29th at the Community Center 13800 Trumbull Ave from 6-8PM to discuss property assessments and property taxes.

The recruitment event with Wind Creek Southland Casino scheduled for July 25/26 has been postponed by the Wind Creek Corporation. A new date has not been determined yet. They are having a hiring event on August 7th from 10am-7pm at Prairie State College, 202 S. Halsted, Chicago Heights, IL.

- III. A. Mayor's report: Be sure to come out to the Assessor's meeting on July 29th @ 6PM. Please make sure you're getting all your exemptions. The Brodie Scholarship is posted, please check it out and make sure you apply. The village hall renovation has been pushed back until approximately September, because the state is closed for monetary distribution until August 14th. Regarding the recent storm, public work responded solidly during this time. Text alerts were important, thanking the Salvation Army for the food they supplied. Thanked Mr. Early Walker for bringing water out to the village. ComEd did the best they could do under the circumstances. Trustee Robinson advised ComEd has a program to try to recoup some of your food lost during the power outage. Mr. Kendall from Cook County President Preckwinkle's office spoke to the citizens advising there is some relief for flooding victims through CEDA and through the state for reimbursement for food losses, please keep all receipts. The Red Cross still has some resources. The mayor thanked President Preckwinkle again for the \$700,000 her office's help with the water break at 119th, and the water bill to the Village of Alsip. There is an upcoming grant to take care of K-Town streets. We are in collaboration with the Cook County Emergency Management to make the CEDA building a resource facility.
- B. Clerk's report: None.
- C. Treasurer's report: It was moved by Trustee Robinson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the treasurer's report in the amount of \$1,126,697.53.
Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier
Motion carried.
- IV. NEW BUSINESS
- 1.. It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustees Jackson and Robinson to approve the RFP bid for the community center to Your Way Construction in the amount of \$336,100.00.
Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Robinson, Jackson, Collier
Motion carried.
- 2.. It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the Appropriation Budget for 2024-2025.
Roll call: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier
Abstain: Harper
Motion carried.
- V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
- Trustee Robinson – Coffee talk with the Trustee will be July 27th @ 10:00 am, Worth Township assessor will be out, possibly Bremen. The next Citizens First meeting will be at Kellar Middle School parking lot, date in August to be determined. We will have a COW meeting soon.
Public Safety-National Night Out will be August 6th. Special shout out to Janean Dyson for being highlighted in the latest issue of IML for fire safety.

License/ordinance meeting last week, we are working with the attorney to complete the adjacent lot ordinance, BYOB, AIRBNB and an administrative ordinance. Citizens can review ordinances on the village website. Provided her email

Ms. Alisia asked for assistance with her back-to-school drive, needs to use the community center on Aug 4th, and will be outside.

Trustee Collier-Public Works-Wanted to give update about MWRD but didn't have report. Water department-Please continue to pay your water bill, applications are being accepted for the water department.

Trustee Jackson -Finance-We've completed the appropriation budget, after having many meetings over several months. The mayor didn't agree with some of the board's decisions, but we did what we thought was best for the village.

VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ms. Echols asked Trustee Harper if he had an update on the PACE Shelters?

VII. CLOSED SESSION: It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Robinson to convene into closed session.

Section 2 (c) (1) Personnel employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance

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

Motion carried.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustees Dyson and Harper to reconvene into regular session.

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

Motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustees Dyson and Robinson to adjourn the meeting.

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk

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