

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE  
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 12, 2022 7:00 P.M.

Meeting Location: 3323 W. 137<sup>th</sup> St. Robbins Police Courtroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:03pm BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and LORD'S PRAYER 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 V.A. Shuntai Sykes

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes 5-10-22, 5-24-22, 6-14-22  
Approval of Special Meeting Minutes 6-14-22  
It was moved by Trustee Robinson to approve seconded by Trustee Collier  
Roll Call Vote  
AYES: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier ABSENT: Brewton  
Motion Carried

II. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Cook County Health is offering \$100 Gift Cards for COVID Vaccination through July 15, age 6 months and older who gets a vaccine or booster shot at a participating CCH hospital or health center. Appointment required, call 833-308-1988
- New Friendship Choirs' Reunion Musical celebrating Church's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, July 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, 139<sup>th</sup> & Monticello
- Unity in the Community, July 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am-2pm, Village wide peace walk (starts at Dollar Tree at 10am) and trunk party. \$250 scholarships for High School graduates and \$100 scholarships for Jr. High graduates. Robbins residents only, proof of residency required, scholarship application on village website, deadline is July 16<sup>th</sup>. Trunk party at the Robbins Community Center 13800 Trumbull Ave. Robbins, IL
- The Robbins Community Garden is still seeking volunteers. They are open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10am-2pm. Please donate your eggshells and coffee grounds for organic fertilizer
- Call Kyiesha Hill at 708-446-2971 to volunteer or donate
- Pullman Block Party, 756 E 111<sup>th</sup> St, Chicago, IL on July 16<sup>th</sup> 11am-3pm for a free family-centered community block party. Live DJ, food, school supplies, free immunizations
- Robbins Friends of the Park Golf Outing, Friday September 2, 2022 at the George Dunn Golf Course, Oak Forest, IL. 9am shotgun start. \$110 per golfer, includes lunch at the turn, buffet awards ceremony and complimentary beer during play. You can also sponsor a hole for \$150. For more information contact Nate Ward @ 708-288-3369

### III. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

#### A. Mayor's Report -Darren E. Bryant

Mayor asked that citizens use the correct platforms for concerns, Facebook is not the platform that the village disseminates information on. Please register on the village website to get village updates.

Ride around the village and take pictures, as this will be the last time you'll see the village looking this way, the MWRD project will be starting soon and the excavator is scheduled to be delivered on Thursday.

Administrator Sykes advised we are well underway with the transition to CDS, updating servers.

B. Clerk's Report- money collected 6/22-7/11 business license \$875.00- Liquor license \$750.00, village stickers \$130.00, transfer stamps \$1125.00.

Flea Market 6/1-7/12 \$17235.00

C. Treasurer Report- None

### IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Robinson-Public safety- Coffee with Trustee Robinson July 30th, at 10am in the police courtroom. We had a good COW meeting today, this is a platform where citizens can voice their concerns. The next Public Safety meeting will be July 19<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm and the License/Ordinance meeting will be July 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm. Citizens can check the website for ordinances, although they are being updated. She provided her email and phone number if anyone wanted to contact her.

Trustee Collier- Public works- The grass cutting is caught up now, no high grass. Public works is on a two-week rotation with grass cutting and cold patch repairs. Mr. Wells will submit a proposal to repair street poles, using a concrete base.

Water-Penalty of 10% is being applied now if payment is not received by due date. Please put in complaint to the postmaster if you are not getting your bill by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. You can call the water dept for the amount also. You can pay your bill via the drop box at the village hall, and credit card over the phone. The water committee has completed the water ordinance and once approved, cutoffs will take place. Please continue to pay your bill or come into the village about payment.

Mr. Ward spoke about the water main break on Maxey Court/Claire. It was more serious than they thought and he thanked the citizens for their cooperation. Mayor stated some citizens are still experiencing low pressure, please contact the water department if needed. Trustee Robinson asked if a town hall meeting will be held regarding the water. Mayor said yes, VA is looking into the possibility of a month of amnesty (penalties and fines) to help citizens get on track. Trustee Collier advised there will be minor increases in water rates. Mayor stated government has to keep up with increases (Chicago).

Trustee Dyson – Building- Read report from the building department provided by Commissioner Stewart.

Industrial- Mr. Raymond (BioWorks) advised they met with the county last week to try to get 50 million for the BioWorks project. They are putting in permits to start having meetings in the office space in the next few months.

Public Safety DC Malley- Fire Department- provided a written report. Stated the Facebook page shows the ambulance being built and that he will be updating page with information that explains why they do what they do.

Trustee Collier stated that citizens can use the dumpster in the back of the village hall. Mayor clarified no tires (its' illegal to dump them) and that it may be gated off since it is an extra cost to the village, may consider a small fee to dump there.

Chief Sheppard- Police- provided electronic police report. He is looking for donations, not money, but items that can be passed out for national night out next month. Stated he trying to set up a

meeting with other communities to see if there is anything that can do to help themselves outside of the state attorney's office, etc. Thanked those who came out to the fireworks show, everyone seemed to have fun, no incidents. There will be safety day next Thursday at the summer camp at the community center. Asked for prayer for officers everywhere to stay safe due to the rise in officers being shot, specifically ambush situations. A citizen asked if there is GPS in squad cars and is there a way to turn over video feed from your home video camera to the police. Chief responded yes, it can be emailed. Trustee Collier complimented on the use of the Flock cameras. We currently have 8 cameras, hope to get 6 more.

IV. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, ETC.

A Resolution of the Village of Robbins, Illinois authorizing the disposal of certain vehicles,  
Resolution 7-12-22

It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustee Robinson to approve  
Roll Call Vote

AYES: Dyson, Maxey, Robinson, Jackson, Collier ABSENT: Brewton  
Motion Carried

VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Trustee Robinson complimented the Clerk's office for taking in the interns from CEDA  
Belinda Buchanan asked about licensing. Trustee Robinson said she would speak to her later

It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Jackson to convene into closed session at  
8:01pm. Citizens dismissed.

VII. CLOSED SESSION: Personnel – Section 2 (c) (1) –Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline,  
and performance.

Litigation-Section 2 (c) (11) –Pending, probable or imminent litigation

VIII. Adjournment:

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

Roll Call:

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

It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Robinson to adjourn

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

Village Clerk/Sharon Dyson

Sharon Dyson