

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA, IL., HELD OCTOBER 1, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Metamora was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Village Clerk, Bylle Long, called the roll call.

Present were: President: Maurer

Trustees: Hutchens, Kamm, Nauman, Schierer, Weyeneth and Cummings

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular meeting held September 17, 2019, were reviewed. Trustee Kamm made a motion to approve the Minutes with Trustee Schierer seconding. With a vote of 5 yeas, 1 abstain (Trustee Nauman) and 0 nays, the motion passed.

The Warrant List was reviewed. Trustee Weyeneth made a motion to approve the List with Trustee Hutchens seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Recognize Guests/Public Comment

Kim Guth, who lives on Eastmoor Drive, addressed the Board. She had sewer back-up in her basement during the torrential rain of the past week-end and wanted to know about any insurance the Village carried to help cover the costs the residents incurred for clean-up. She said Jason Jones had already given her paperwork to file a claim. The Board told her to fill out the paperwork, talk to the administration office if she had questions, file the claim and the insurance company would decide what they could do to help her.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Maurer spoke of the farm ground the Village is in the process of purchasing. He said after discussions were held at committee meeting, the decision was made to stay with the current farmer to cash rent at least for the next year.

Mayor Maurer called for an Executive Session to discuss a new contract for the Police Chief Rebman.

Mayor Maurer discussed the possibility of street scape on the square. He said if the Village was interested, we would have to have Farnsworth make a presentation of what the cost would be.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Brunton gave the following updates:

1. Mt. Vernon Commercial Strip Center – Owner seems to be in compliance with most of the issues that were noted. Jason will follow up on the few remaining code problems.
2. Recreational Marijuana – He presented two (2) sample ordinances of what the Village could put in force regarding the use and possession as well as the business regulations for the sale of recreational marijuana. The Board can review and have information as well as questions for future discussions on whether to allow such retail sales in the Village.
3. Land Acquisition (135+ Acres of Farmland) – Proposed closing likely to be delayed by the sellers (need to re-activate LLC, etc.) until later in the month.
4. Vaping Ordinance (Minors) – Presented Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.28 of Village Code to Prohibit Use and Possession of Electronic Smoking Devices by Minors.

Trustee Nauman made a motion to approve the Ordinance with Trustee Kamm seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

5. Resolution regarding review and release of closed meeting Minutes for the Village. He stated this issue will be addressed at a future meeting after Board members have had a chance to review his recommendations.

Mayor Maurer stated a previous bidder on the hardware store has again expressed interest in purchasing the property. He suggested the Board ask him to come to a meeting and refresh their memory as to what his plans would be for the business.

Engineer's Report

There was no report.

Treasurer's Report

There was no report.

Public Works Department

Trustee Nauman set a committee meeting for Tuesday, October 22, 2019 to follow the Police committee meeting which will start at 5:00 PM.

Police/Fire/ESD

Trustee Schierer nor Trustee Kamm had anything to report.

Finance, Economic Development, Insurance

Trustee Weyeneth had nothing to report.

Employee Relations, Long Term Planning-Zoning, Special Projects

Trustee Hutchens said he had several people ask if the Village would bring back the recycle program. A short discussion was held with the point being made that a lot of people that used the drop off did not live in Metamora when it was Metamora taxpayers that were paying the bill. It was after the recycle company doubled the cost that the Village voted to drop the service. No decision was made to change the original vote.

Old Business

There was none.

New Business

There was none.

Executive Session

Trustee Schierer made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session with Trustee Weyeneth seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Regular Meeting Resumes and Adjourns

The regular meeting resumed at 8:29 PM with previous roll call present. With no more to discuss, Trustee Schierer made a motion to adjourn with Trustee Kamm seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Bylle Long

Village Clerk