

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA, IL., HELD OCTOBER 15, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Metamora, Il., was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Village Clerk, Bylle Long, called the roll call.

Present were: President: Maurer

Trustees: Hutchens, Kamm, Nauman, Weyeneth and Cummings

Trustee Schierer was absent.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Minutes of the Executive Session held October 1, 2019, were reviewed. Trustee Kamm made a motion to approve the Minutes with Trustee Weyeneth seconding. With a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

The Warrant List was reviewed. Trustee Kamm made a motion to approve the List with Trustee Hutchens seconding. With a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Recognize Guests/Public Comment

Thomas Wester, 121 S. Morgan, spoke to the Board. He recently purchased property at 504 E. Mt Vernon and he wanted to inform the Board of what he was doing with said property. He has no plans at this time, but is trying to clean up the house and property before winter so it is not an eyesore in the Village. He said he would inform the Board when future plans are made.

Dan Ford, representing Hanover's Pub, addressed the Board. He is seeking to extend the closing times on Thanksgiving Eve and New Year's Eve from 1AM to 2AM. The Board said they would put this on the agenda for approval at the next meeting.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Maurer said MABA is interested in getting a new sign at the west end of town. The one we have is not reliable and they would like to replace it. He hopes we would be

able to utilize it the way it was intended. If the State still would not allow us to do that, it would be nice to find property in the Village to place it on.

He spoke of the bidders on the hardware store. He said he would be in touch with them to see if they were still interested in the purchase and if not, he would put it out for bids again.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Brunton gave updates on the following:

1. Land Acquisition (135.25+ Acres of Farmland) – Agreement has been executed by both parties for \$1.5 million purchase price; proposed closing date set for October 29th, title work reviewed and comments provided to seller's attorney, coordinating closing on MCB loan prior to closing on property acquisition. Ordinance approving loan agreement with MCB to be amended to a taxable loan to comply with IRS provisions; revised loan documents reviewed; amended Ordinance 2019-14 prepared for approval at tonight's meeting.

After reviewing the amended Ordinance, Trustee Weyeneth made a motion to approved the Ordinance with Trustee Kamm seconding. With a vote of 5 yeas, (Mayor Maurer voted) and 1 nay (Hutchens), the motion passed.

2. Prepared draft of new contract for Police Chief, as current contract expires in January 2020, ready to present to Board during Executive Session for review and discussion.

Engineer's Report

Bob Kolhaus gave updates on the following:

1. RLF Funding Program and Watermain Project. – Schedule still hopeful for design in winter 2019, construction during late 2020.
2. Drainage Improvement Projects – Oakwood Cemetery/Coal Bank Road Storm Drainage – Determined needing to go to north property line. Surveying estimate to be provided as next step.

Brighton Park Tile Discussion – Tile repair was conducted. Found historical plans to help with solution. Jason experimenting with solutions.

3. Well #6 – Back on-line, testing continues.

Treasurer's Report

There was no report.

Public Works Department

Trustee Nauman had nothing to report.

Police/Fire/ESD

Trustee Kamm said he was working with Chief Sluga and they were looking at plans to review for a new firehouse. His goal is to have some idea of what the Village needs in place by a year from now.

Finance/ Economic Development/Insurance

Trustee Weyeneth said he had talked to the high school, grade school, park district and others who may have ideas of what the community needs and/or could use in the acreage the Village is purchasing. Everyone seems excited and eager to see something put in place for future use and advantage for the Village for many years to come.

Employee Relations, Long-Term Planning-Zoning, Special Projects

Trustee Hutchens had nothing to report.

Old Business

There was none.

New Business

There was none.

Executive Session

Mayor Maurer called for a Session to discuss personnel and litigation from former Police Chief Mike Todd.

With that, Trustee Kamm made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session with Trustee Nauman seconding. With a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:04PM.

Regular Meeting Resumes

The regular meeting resumed at 8:56PM with previous roll call present. With no more to discuss, Trustee Nauman made a motion to adjourn with Trustee Kamm seconding.

With a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:59PM.

Bylle Long

Village Clerk