

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA, ILL., HELD OCTOBER 19, 2021**

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

Village Clerk, Bylle Long, called the roll call.

Present were: President: Cummings

Trustees: Nauman Schierer, Weyeneth, Glueck, Bowers and Alig

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular meeting held October 5, 2021, were reviewed. Trustee Nauman made a motion for approval with Trustee Schierer seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

The Warrant List was reviewed. Trustee Alig made a motion for approval with Trustee Glueck seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Recognize Guests/Public Comment

Don Hutchens, 520 W Michigan, asked the Board about signs to be erected along the new sidewalk on N. Washington St. prohibiting motorized vehicles. He was informed the signs would be put up shortly.

Alex Chan, 112 W Partridge, asked the Board if there was something that could be done about the cans and bottles being thrown in his yard. He lives directly behind Dollar General and is having to continuously pick items up. The Board said they would look into the situation.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Cummings asked the Trustees to study the quote from Heart Tech. for a new phone system for the Village. After a short discussion, it was decided to ask a representative from Heart to come to the next committee meeting to explain in detail what the system would include.

Next, he stated the letter sent to the police union offering a \$1.00 per hour raise had erroneously included the statement saying Board was also seeking to increase the percentage the police pay for their insurance. This was never discussed by the Board nor was it their intention. The \$1.00 an hour raise was a good faith effort to keep the pay

competitive with other departments in the area. Any changes in insurance would be discussed during the next contract negotiation. A corrected letter offering the raise will be sent to the union for their approval.

Next, the Mayor moved up the discussion on the ambulance expenditures. This, he hopes, will help all Board members understand what it takes to keep Emergency 116 running. Darrell Gualandri explained in detail the income vs. costs to run the department. This will help the Board when it comes time to do the tax levy.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Brunton presented a draft pertaining to the Zoning Ordinance (Title 17) Chapter 58 (New) – Solar Energy Code. He asked the Board to review this before he presents it to the Zoning Board for consensus approval and then it would come back to the Board for approval.

He gave updates on the following:

1. Storm water drainage issues/McDonald's property & 826 W Progress (Referred to Bob Kolhaus for details)
2. New Library Site/Library District & Park District (He asked for an Executive Session to discuss property & personnel)

Engineer's Report

Bob Kolhaus of Farnsworth gave the following reports:

1. RLF Funding Program & Niles St. Watermain Project: (submitting permit to IEPA)
2. County DCEO – RLF Program – ADA bathroom project in Village Hall – (Construction has started. This is fully funded by a Grant from the county.)
3. Storm Water Drainage Issues/McDonald's property & 826 W Progress (A plan has been developed to improve drainage. McDonald's has requested the Village pay 1/3 of the engineering cost - approx. \$9000.00. Asked for consensus by the Board to proceed with agreement)
4. Seal coating project by Steffans 3D completed. Spray patching by Ace In The Hole completed.
5. Washington St. Sidewalk. (Construction ½ done.)

Treasurer's Report

There was no report.

Public Works Department

Trustee Nauman set committee meetings for Tuesday, October 26, 2021 starting at 5PM.

Police/Fire/ESD

There was no report.

Finance/Economic Development/Insurance/Special Projects

There was no report.

Old Business

There was none.

New Business

Attorney Brunton introduced Attorney Jeff Gaster from his office. Attorney Gaster will attend our meetings when Attorney Brunton is unavailable.

Executive Session (If requested)

At this time, Trustee Schierer made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session with Trustee Alig seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the regular meeting adjourned at 8:26PM.

Regular Meeting Resumes

The regular meeting resumed at 9:17PM with previous roll call present.

Adjourn

With no more to discuss, Trustee Bowers made a motion to adjourn with Trustee Nauman seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:18PM.

Bylle Long

Village Clerk

