

**VILLAGE HALL
213 N DOUGLAS
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES #24-10
CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Present:	Mayor Richard Schiefer	Trustee Nathan Schmidt
	Kathy Becker	Trustee George Gavlick
	Chief Kukla	Trustee Guideon Richeson

Absent:

- Trustee Tim Elliott
- Trustee Dawn Ross
- Trustee Derek Ashoff

Quorum present
Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

1. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve minutes 24-09 for May 1, 2024. Trustee Schmidt seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.
2. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the agenda for 24-10 for May 15, 2024. Trustee Schmidt seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

II. COMMUNICATIONS:

III. TO THE PUBLIC:

1. Monica Hunsdorf stated she is the lead in the Friedens United Church of Christ summer lunch program, she is looking for help with the program by doing shopping or handing out the lunches. The program will start on 5/28/24 and go through 8/15/24. The lunches will be handed out Monday through Friday's from 11:30-12:30 and the program is for everyone. If you would like to volunteer or know someone that would please contact Monica at 618-667-6535 ext. 2.

V. COMMITTEE:

A. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HEALTH:

1. Trustee Elliott was not present. Nothing to report.

B. WATER AND SEWER:

1. Trustee Ashoff was not present.
2. Trustee Gavlick stated there was nothing new on the water storage.
3. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to approve the proposal from Tank Maintenance Solutions for the water tower repairs in the amount of \$16,900 with the down payment of \$5,070 due at signing and the balance of \$11,830 when repairs are finished. Trustee Richeson seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

C. POLICE:

1. Trustee Ross was not present
2. Chief Kukla reported that they had no incidents and issued 4 tickets and collected \$550 in fines.

D. ORDINANCE AND FINANCE:

1. Attorney Craney stated that we cannot outlaw solicitors from St Jacob. He presented a revised ordinance for review. Trustee Gavlick to schedule a committee meeting on the issue. Tabled to next meeting.
 2. Raffle license and fees tabled to next meeting.
 3. Trustee Gavlick hiring of part time position to be discussed in closed session.
- E. PUBLIC GROUNDS & BUILDINGS:
1. Trustee Schmidt tabled fish feeder to next meeting.
- F. STREETS AND LANES/MOTOR FUEL TAX:
1. Trustee Richeson had nothing to report.

VI. REPORTS:

- A. Village Attorney- Nothing to report.
- B. Engineer Report- Nothing to report.
- C. FOIA request-Nothing to report.
- D. Building Inspector- Nothing to report.
- E. Planning Commission-Nothing to report.
- F. Zoning Officer-Nothing to report.
- G. Public Works- Nick reported that Hancock construction will install the exhaust vent at the Activity Center soon.
He contacted the Railroad and spoke with a person who oversees the grounds and will be checking into cleaning up the old railroad ties. He is waiting for the person who is over the railroad approach regarding the potholes and markings.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

2. Trustee Gavlick stated that Rhonda with Republic Services drafted the letter that they will be sending to all the residents with the new contract options for yard waste and bulk pick up.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Richeson stated that he and Mayor Schiefer attended a meeting regarding PEP grants that would allow the village to apply yearly for a \$15,000 grant for the Mill Pond Park. We will need to prove that the Village owns and maintains the grounds, attorney Craney will look into what we will need to proceed. There is also a Metro East Park & Recreation grant that they want to apply for and is due by May 31, 2024, to install restrooms at the Mill Pond but we need a resolution to proceed. A special meeting will need to call for the resolution since our next regular meeting is not until June 5, 2025.

IX. CLAIMS:

- A. Trustee Richeson made a motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$34,121.88. Trustee Gavlick seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

X. OPEN TO PUBLIC:

XI. CLOSED SESSION:

Trustee Richeson made a motion to into Closed Session for the purpose of discussion the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees. (5 ILCS 120/2© 1) and pending litigation. Trustee Schmidt second. Voice call vote all in favor, motion passed.


XII. OPEN SESSION:

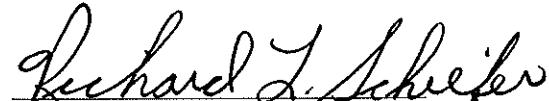
A. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to hire JD Kirkpatrick for the part-time public works position at the hourly rate of \$20. Trustee Richeson seconds. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

A. Trustee Gavlick made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Richeson seconds. Voice call vote, all in favor, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 7:22 p.m.


Kathy Becker


Richard L. Schiefer