

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA, ILL., HELD DECEMBER 6, 2016**

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

Village Clerk, Bylle Long, called the roll call.

Present were: President: Maurer

Trustees: Hutchens, Kamm, Bockler, Nauman, Thompson and Vericker

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular meeting held November 15, 2016, were reviewed. Trustee Kamm made a motion to approve the Minutes with Trustee Vericker seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

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

Guests were invited to speak.

Jerry Waldschmidt, 420 S. Davenport, addressed the Board. He was complaining that the snow plow did not even go down his street this week-end. He also said the corner of Pine and Davenport has a bump that rises and falls with the temperature. He says that should be dug up and repaired. He also said at the corner of Pine and Hanover there is a hole in the road that has been there for months. There are barricades there but no lights and it poses a hazard to traffic. The Board responded saying those issues would be taken care of.

Next to speak was Josh Ketcherside, 117 S. Morgan. He was complaining his towing company was not being utilized by the police department. Attorney Tibbs responded saying a key provision in the statute is the law enforcement agency has the final determination in which towing service or services it uses and cannot be held liable for any exclusions.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Maurer discussed the agreement the Village has with the library in regards to renting space for storage of the Legions' possessions. The library is in the process of remodeling the property and has plans to rent the space out. It may be necessary to find another space to store the Legions' possessions.

Next, he said the tax levy was ready for approval. Trustee Bockler made the motion to approve the levy with Trustee Vericker seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

He then gave an update on the post office. They have renewed their lease at their present location but they are looking for approximately 1400-1500 sq. ft. to lease for storage and sorting. He asked for ideas from the Board for any available space.

Next, he said the Greater Peoria Economic Development has a fee of \$2000.00 per year. The Trustees asked what the Village would receive, if anything, for the fee. At this time, the Board hesitates to pay without knowing what they would and/or could provide the Village for that dollar amount.

The hire/discuss pay for the new PW employee, Christmas Bonuses and possible land acquisition are items to be discussed in Executive Session.

Mayor Maurer asked Trustee Nauman to give a report on the Caucus, which was held December 5 at 7pm. Trustee Nauman said there were about 25 people present and the candidates are:

1. President - Ken Maurer (unopposed)
2. Village Clerk - Bylle Long (unopposed)
3. Trustees - Chris Bowers, Dave Vericker (incumbent) and Josh Ketcherside

Attorney's Report

Attorney Tibbs reported on the following:

1. North Wetmore ROW between Chatham and Partridge – We have received the deed and it has been recorded.
2. Reimbursement of Expenses – An Ordinance complying with the Local Government Travel Expense Control Act is ready and should be put on the agenda for consideration during the 12/20 meeting of the Village Board.
3. Vacation of Alley – The ordinance has been filed with the County Recorder.
4. Tax Levy – Approved tonight and will be filed with County Clerk.

Engineer's Report

There was no report

Treasurer's Report

There was no report

Public Works Department

Trustee Nauman set a committee meeting for December 13, immediately following the Police committee meeting which starts at 5PM.

Trustee Thompson reported he had a discussion with Jason Jones about the need for sweatshirts for the employees. They each have one at this time and need more for the winter. Trustee Thompson said he told Jason to order what they needed.

Police/Fire/ESD

Trustee Kamm set a Police meeting for December 13, at 5PM.

Finance, Economic Development, Insurance

Trustee Bockler had nothing to report

Employee Relation, Long Term Planning-Zoning, Special Projects

Trustee Vericker reported a meeting next week, December 13, at approximately 6:30PM, directly following the Public Works committee meeting.

Old Business

There was none.

New Business

There was none.

Executive Session

A request for a Session was made to discuss personnel, Christmas bonuses and possible land acquisition..

Trustee Nauman made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting and Trustee Vericker seconded. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the meeting adjourned at 8PM.

Regular Meeting Resumes

The regular meeting resumed at 9:03PM with President Maurer and all Trustees present.

Trustee Nauman made a motion to hire Zach Kough @ \$14.00 an hour retro-active back to his start date of 11/21/16. Once he obtains his CDL, he will get another \$1.00 an hour. Trustee Thompson seconded the motion and with a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Trustee Vericker made a motion to give the employees the same amount for Christmas bonuses as they received last year. Trustee Kamm seconded the motion and with a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Adjourn

With no more to discuss, Trustee Thompson 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 9:07PM.

Bylle Long

Village Clerk