

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
VILLAGE OF METAMORA, IL., HELD APRIL 7, 2021**

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, Nauman, Schierer, Weyeneth and Cummings

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular meeting held March 16, 2021, were reviewed. Trustee Kamm made a motion for approval with Trustee Cummings seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

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

Recognize Guests/Public Comment

There were none.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Maurer said he had been approached by a resident of Snyder Village regarding the parking issue along Clark St. when there were ballgames. She said a child had run out from between the parked cars as she drove through there and she almost hit him. She was asking if there was some way to eliminate parking along there for safety reasons. The Board said conversation with the school would be a place to start regarding this issue.

At this time, Mayor Maurer called for a presentation of plans for the new firehouse to be built on the east end of town. Paul Kouri and Joe Adams from Farnworth, Fire Chief Mike Sluga, Keith Gerkin and Bob Murphy from E-116 were all present to answer questions the Board had. Bob Murphy presented a video of the site plans for the firehouse. It was quite extensive and detailed for the Board and audience to follow and allowed for questions to be asked and answered.

Attorney's Report

The following was presented for approval:

Ordinance Amending Village Code Provisions Regarding Prohibition of Certain Animals in the Village Limits.

Trustee Nauman made a motion for approval with Trustee Weyeneth seconding. With a vote of 5 yeas, 1 abstain (Schierer) and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Engineer's Report

Joe Adams of Farnsworth presented a picture of the interior of the ground storage tank being blasted prior to painting. The crew had detected an anomaly, resembling a washer pressed into the steel surface. The proposed repair cost is \$1300.00.

Joe then gave a general overview for the MFT program for 2021.

Treasurer's Report

There was no report.

Public Works Dept.

Trustee Nauman said after the discussion at the last PW committee meeting, he was ready to make a motion for the purchase of a new Ford utility truck for the PW Dept. This purchase would not exceed \$50,000.00. Trustee Kamm seconded the motion and with a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Next discussion was the water usage needed to fill the swimming pool. It was a general consensus to fill the pool at no charge again this year.

Trustee Nauman made a motion to raise the pay for the part-time park maintenance employee from \$11.00 to \$12.00. Trustee Weyeneth seconded the motion and with a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

He also said the Village needs 3 more people to be on the Planning Board/Zoning Commission. Anyone interested should let the administration office know.

Police/Fire/ESD

Trustee Kamm suggested the Village ask the engineer to give a proposal for their costs to move forward with plans and ideas on the new firehouse. The Board agreed to this and will talk to Bob Kolhaus at the next Board meeting as to what directions need to be taken.

Trustee Kamm discussed the salary proposals for the Metamora Fire Dept. as presented:

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| 1.Fire Chief | \$ 2,250. |
| 2.Assistant Fire Chiefs (2) | \$ 1,000. Each |
| 3. Fire Captains (3) | \$ 500. Each |
| 4. Secretary/Treasurer | \$ 750. Each |
| 5. Fireman | \$ 17. Per call |

Costs to be shared equally by the Village and Rural Fire District and subject to approval by both districts. Would become effective May 1, 2021

Trustee Kamm made a motion for approval with Trustee Cummings seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Trustee Kamm discussed changes to the proposed intergovernmental agreement between the Village and the Rural Fire Dept. This is still an ongoing discussion between the two parties.

Finance, Economic Development, Insurance

Trustee Weyeneth had nothing to report.

Special Projects, Buildings

Trustee Hutchens had nothing to report.

Old Business

Trustee Schierer brought up the issue of all the signs along Rt 116. The election signs are now gone, but there are many other business signs still there. This is in violation of IDOT regulations against signs on the state's right-of-way and the businesses need to be notified to have the signs removed. It was decided to notify the businesses and have the signs removed to be in compliance with the IDOT regulations.

New Business

Trustee Cummings said two issues for the new budget would be first, the raises for the 3 non-union employees. Trustee Nauman suggested to add a 3% raise for each to cover these costs.

Second, the issue of a new A/C unit and perhaps furnace for the administration building. It was agreed to have a professional look at the problems in the building and see what needs to be done.

The Board also set committee meetings for April 27, 2021.

Executive Session – If Requested

There were no requests.

Adjourn

With no more to discuss, Trustee Weyeneth 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 9:14PM.

Bylle Long

Village Clerk

