

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF METAMORA, IL., HELD DECEMBER 21, 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 were reviewed. Trustee Alig made a motion for approval with Trustee Glueck seconding. With a vote of 5 yeas, 1 abstain (Schieerer) and 0 nays, the motion passed.

The Warrant List was reviewed. Trustee Alig 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

Many residents addressed the Board with their opinions of the ongoing discussion regarding the contract proposals from PDC and K&T Disposal. Again, with standing room only, all that spoke to the Board were against a contract. They voiced their disdain with having to go with a contract instead of having their choice for service.

After listening to all the residents, Mayor Cummings called for a vote on the options to consider.

Trustee Schierer made a motion to reject the PDC contract. Trustee Bowers seconded the motion and with a vote of 5 yeas and 1 nay, the motion passed.

Next, Trustee Weyeneth made a motion to prepare an advisory referendum for the June 2022 primary election regarding Village approval of a Village-wide contract for garbage collection. Trustee Nauman seconded the motion. With a vote of 2 yeas and 4 nays, the motion was voted down.

With the results of the votes, the issue of a contract for garbage collection has been dropped.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Cummings spoke of the need for more volunteer firemen. He said eventually the Village will probably find it necessary to hire full-time firemen. This is something for the Village to keep in mind for the future.

Trustee Schierer suggested a notice should be put on the website and our Facebook page asking for volunteers for the fire department.

Next, the plans for the new firehouse are still being drawn up with changes being made as ideas and necessities are established.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Brunton gave updates:

1. 2021 Tax Levy has been filed at the courthouse.
2. Lease renewal for farmland to be signed before January 2022

Engineer's Report

Bob Kolhaus, Farnsworth Engineering, gave updates on the following:

1. RLF Funding Program & Niles St. Watermain Project
2. County DCEO – ADA Bathroom Project in Village Hall
3. Washington St Sidewalk
4. Fire Station Roof
5. Demo of Niles St House

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Garber gave the following report:

CASH BALANCES

Cash balances as of November 30, 2021, decreased \$34,616 at a .53% decrease from October 31, 2021.

MAJOR RECEIPTS

State of Illinois	\$ 87,498
Motor Fuel Taxes	\$ 11,580
CDBG RLF	\$ 30,852
Woodford County	\$ 31,496

MAJOR DISBURSEMENTS

Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$ 11,150
IEPA	\$ 98,284
Brenntag Mid-South	\$ 12,154
Fred Scheper Concrete	\$ 15,982
Heart Technologies	\$ 16,225
Steffens 3-D Construction	\$ 19,584

INVESTMENTS

Funds were invested during the month of November, 2021, in the Money Market at Commerce Bank earning interest at .05%. The Insured Cash Sweep Account earned interest at .25% and the Goldfield State Bank Money Market earned interest at .099% for the month of November, 2021.

Public Works Department

Trustee Nauman made a motion to approve a job quote from Illinois Oil Marketing in the amount of \$4086.00 to repair the gas pumps. Trustee Schierer seconded the motion and with a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed.

Trustee Nauman said he had quotes for installation of hand rails at the post office. He will put this on the agenda for the next meeting for approval.

Police/Fire/ESD

There was no report.

Finance/Economic Development

Trustee Weyeneth said the Village received a bonus check in the amount of \$2025.00 from Bachman Farms, who rent the farm ground on the east edge of town because crops were so good this year. This increased our rent by \$15.00 per acre.

Old Business

There was none.

New Business

The Mayor addressed the Board saying the Village needs to look to the future with visions of how we could grow the Village, bring in more business, have more activities on the square and other things to enhance and promote Metamora. He asked the Board to think of ideas and/or improvements that the Village needs to do.

Executive Session

Mayor Cummings asked for a Session to discuss personnel.

At this time, Trustee Nauman made a motion to adjourn for Executive Session with Trustee Weyeneth seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the regular meeting adjourned at 8:25PM.

Resume Regular Meeting

The regular meeting resumed at 8:59PM with previous roll call present.

Trustee Glueck stated he went to the rural fire dept meeting and they would like to see an estimate of the cost of the new firehouse being proposed beings they will be paying for ½ the build. The Mayor said it would be a rough estimate at best as final drawings are not in yet, but, the rural could bring in their own ideas for plans also.

Adjourn

With no more to discuss, Trustee Nauman made a motion to adjourn with Trustee Alig seconding. With a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:20PM.

Village Clerk

Bylle Long