

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
VILLAGE OF METAMORA, IL HELD ON January 18, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Metamora was called to order on January 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

Present at roll call were:

President: Cummings

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

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on January 4, 2022 were reviewed. Trustee Nauman made a motion to approve the minutes with Trustee Schierer seconding the motion. Motion passed with a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays.

The Warrant List was reviewed. Trustee Bowers made a motion to approve the warrant list with Trustee Glueck seconding the motion. Motion passed with a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays.

Guests were invited to speak - There were no guest wishing to speak.

**President's Report**

President Cummings asked Trustee Schierer if he wanted to consider looking into the ADDWC recycling program that the Village used to have. Discussion was had regarding the cost, trailers and troubles that were had in the past. It was decided that it may be looked into in the future.

President Cummings spoke about the Park District and Dollar General wanting to buy a portion of the Pools parking lot. Kari Ray who is the President of the Park Board spoke about how Dollar General wants more of the parking lot than originally thought. With swim meets there is no way that they can go with the lose of that much parking. But on another note the Park Dist. is looking at the feasibility of keeping the pool open in the future. Discussion was had on the pool closing and the demolition of the pool if that happened. Bob Kolkhorst from Farnsworth said he would get an estimate of demolition.

**Attorney's Report**

No Report

**Engineer's Report**

Village Engineer Bob Kohlhase updated several items that have been ongoing in the Village. He also went over the Comprehensive Plan for the Village and said many goals of the plan have been accomplished or will be in the future.

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**Treasurer's Report**

Joan Garber stated that Cash balances for December 31, 2021 increased by \$4,433.00 at .07% increase from November 2021. Funds were invested for the month of December 2021, in the Money Market at Commerce Bank earning interest at .05%. The Insured Cash Sweep account earned interest at .25% and the Goodfield State Bank Money Market earned interest at .01%.

Joan Garber updated the Board on the American Rescue Plan Act. She stated that the Final Rule takes effect on April 1, 2022 and recipients can take advantage of the final rule's flexibilities and simplifications now, ahead of the effective date. Meaning that the funds to be received by the Village of Metamora are now open for use of government service under the lost revenue category. Government service include services traditionally provided by a government. Examples - road building, maintenance and other infrastructure, general government administration, staff and admirative facilities. Provisions of police, fire and other public safety services (include purchase of fire trucks and police cars.

Brief discussion was had on how the money may be spent. A new Police Vehicle and Possible repairs to the downtown square area. President Cummings stated they will need to do some planning and see what is most needed around the square.

**Public Works**

Trustee Nauman reported that one of the wells has a bad pump and needs to be repaired. There is also a firm asking about the possible rezoning of some land to R1 to allow for apartment complexes, more information will be brought to the board at a later date regrading this.

Trustee Nauman also scheduled a Public Works Committee meeting for January 25, 2022 at 6:00.

**Public Health & Safety** (Police/Fire/ESDA

Trustee Schierer had no report for Police but that there would be a Public Safety meeting on January 25, 2022 at 5:00pm

Fire Chief Mike Sluga handed out information on calls and locations for the board. He also stated that grant money was received for radios.

Discussion moved on regarding the building of a new Fire House. Several items were discussed involving the location, size, cost, Rural Fire Board concerns

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and why a new one was needed. President Cumming stated that he believed that in the next 5 to 10 years the fire Department would need to have full time fire fighters due to volunteers not being available to cover calls. Fire Chief Sluga invited any of the board members that wanted to take a tour of the current fire house and see many of the issues that they are dealing with.

Village Attorney Scott Brunton discussed how the RFQ process would help with many of the issues the board is having with decisions on building a new fire house. Motion was made by Trustee Nauman to approve RFQ process and planning for the Fire House. Motion seconded by trustee Weyeneth. Motion passed with 5 yeas and 0 nays.

**Finance, Economic Development, Insurance**

Trustee Weyeneth reported that he is working on getting money paid back on an old loan. Weyeneth also stated that he is still working on the Solar program.

**Employee Relations, Long Term Planning-Zoning, Hiking Biking Trail, Special Projects**

No Report

**Old Business**

No Old Business

**New Business**

No new Business

**Executive Session**

President Cummings called for an executive session to discuss Personnel. Trustee Weyeneth made motion for executive session and Trustee Schierer seconded. Motion passed with 5 yeas, and 0 nays, motion passed and meeting adjourned at 9:10pm

**Regular Meeting Resumes**

The regular meeting resumed at 9:20PM with previous roll call present. With There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Trustee Bowers and seconded by Trustee Schierer to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed with a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays. Meeting adjourned at 9:25P.M.

Monica Camper  
Village Deputy Clerk