

**VILLAGE OF MACKINAW**  
**VILLAGE BOARD**  
**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES**

**March 27, 2023**

**Mayor Josh Schmidgall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**  
**This was a regular meeting of the Village of Mackinaw.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**I. ROLL CALL BY:**

**Present:** Mayor Josh Schmidgall and Trustees Carolyn Elmore, Kraig Kamp, Candy Haynes, Jerry Peterson, and Tim Severt

**Absent:** Trustees Mark Morman

**Also Present:** Clerk Lisa Spencer, Public Works Manager Mike Schopp, Attorney Mark McGrath and Willie Cotton

**II. CONSENT AGENDA:** The consent agenda consists of approving the March 13, 2023 regular meeting minutes, police department report, non-recurring disbursements, and payroll report.

Trustee Haynes moved, seconded Trustee Elmore to approve the above listed consent agenda items. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees Elmore, Haynes, Kamp, Peterson, and Severt

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Morman

There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Darrin Morgan regarding 304 E Madison St.** – Darrin Morgan came before the Board to give an update on his plans for 304 E Madison St. He recently purchased the property which has been more of a project than anticipated. He has had numerous dumpster loads for debris removed from the property. The property has received warning notices for ordinance violations, and he wants the Board to know that it is a work in progress. The Board told him that the hole in the roof, broken windows and yard clean up needs to be addressed immediately. Mayor Schmidgall suggested that tearing the house down may be in his best interest. Morgan stated that he has too much money invested so he won't tear the house down. Morgan said that his immediate plan is to repair the roof and have the yard leveled and seeded. He asked if plexiglass could be used as temporary means of covering the broken windows. Mayor Schmidgall stated that they would check with zoning to see if this could be done and get back with him. The conclusion of the discussion was that the Village's main concern with how the outside of the property complies with Village Code.

**IV. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:** The Board reviewed a report on the activities of the department.

**PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER'S REPORT:** Public Works Manager Mike Schopp reported on the activities of the department.

**Revisions to the sidewalk/curb construction policy regarding reimbursement amount** - This item was tabled. Phase 1 of the Main Street project will begin with replacing the water main. Flyers were hand delivered to business owners regarding what to expect. Notices to residents have been posted around town, on Facebook, and the Village website. There will be limited to no parking while water main is being installed on the east side of Main Street during construction. Water main portion should take 1-2 weeks to install. Bathroom construction at Brock Lake is underway, rough plumbing should be done this week.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Non-Recurring Bills** - Trustee Peterson moved, seconded Trustee Haynes to approve the non-recurring bills. On a roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 – Trustees Elmore, Haynes, Kamp, Peterson, and Severt

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 – Trustee Morman

There being five affirmative votes, the **motion carried.**

**V. MAYOR'S REPORT:**

**Renew cell tower lot lease agreement with American Tower Corp.** – This item was tabled to allow Attorney Mark McGrath more time to review the agreement for having the Board vote on the agreement.

**Hometown Heroes military banner program** – Mayor Schmidgall would like the Village to create a banner program to recognize and honor residents who have serviced or are serving in the United States Armed Services. Banners measure 18” x 36” and would be placed on poles along streets in the truck routes and downtown area. The Board would like information regarding the program to go out to residents to see if there is enough interest to proceed with ordering banners. The goal of the project is to show support for our hometown heroes and see that all hero banners are funded by general fund or residents wishing to sponsor a banner or make a donation to the project. Schmidgall will report back to the Board on the interest received by the flyers going out to residents.

**VI. LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** none**VII. TRUSTEES REPORT:** none**VIII. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** none**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

**Clearing timber at Brock Lake** – Mayor Schmidgall reported that Trustee Morman has arranged for one hour of clearing brush from the timber area to be donated to show what can be done. It is estimated that to finish the project would take 16 hours at \$200 per hour. This item will be on the next agenda for the Board to vote on.

**X. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:07 P.M.:** There being no further business to come before the Board Trustee Elmore moved, seconded by Trustee Haynes to adjourn. **motion carried.**

I, Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk of the Village of Mackinaw, Illinois do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the regular meeting held on the above date, as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

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Lisa Spencer, Village Clerk  
Posted: 4-10-23