

**Village of Rochester
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
March 14,2022**

President Suerdieck called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Eandi Trustee Hendrickson
 Trustee Munroe Trustee Zobrist

ABSENT: Trustee Carver Trustee Butcher

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 14,2022. *Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the February 14, 2022 minutes. Motion seconded by Trustee Eandi. All in favor motion passed.*

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 28, 2022. *Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the February 28, 2022 minutes. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion. Trustee Zobrist voted present. All in favor motion passed.*

APPROVAL OF ALL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BILLS. *Trustee Zobrist made a motion to approve the financial statements and pay the monthly financial bills. Motion was seconded by Trustee Eandi.*

ROLL CALL:

 Trustee Eandi-YES Trustee Hendrickson-YES
 Trustee Munroe-YES Trustee Zobrist-YES

Motion passed 4-0.

PUBLIC FORUM-NONE.

OLD BUSINESS-NONE.

President Suerdieck announced that due to increases in water rates through the Sangamon County Water Reclamation we may need to increase our sewer rates 4-5%. He mentioned we were working on it and the final calculations.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT REPORT-James Foster

Water/Sewer

Spectra Tech put a bid in to seal the North lift station and it came in high at 60k, with the extra pumps that will be needed to complete the job we are looking at 70k.

Upon staking the easements for the North Oak Hill Sewer Extension Project some of the residents are concerned of the exact path.

The 10X10 Project has found a high pressured gas main directly in the path of where the work needs done. Project has been put on hold until we consider all options.

Grove Park will be surveying yards and will be putting flyers on the doors of residence or going door to door to notify residence.

Generator is still not installed yet. It has a slightly bigger footprint than the previous generator so we will need to figure out how to make it work with the concrete pad we have or make it bigger.

Merry go round at the park is broke and it is closed due to it being a safety concern. Some wood slats are also broken and need repair.

Removed the dead tree in front of Village Hall. Need to decide what we want to replace it with. Dan Wallace, the owner of Rochester Station is asking to put a concrete sidewalk and pad for sitting from the bike path to the Lighthouse restaurant at no charge to the village. The bike rack we currently have was rotted out and removed recently. We need a new bike rack something surface mounted rather than in the concrete. As the Village we will look in to buying a new bike rack. All in favor for moving forward with this.

Owner of Lighthouse would like to put the large lighthouse back on the village property. May need to go to P& Z for approval. With the new sign it may be too much.

Water connection fees are changing for new homes. It is now 1365.00 This is to help with fees. RYAA purchased equipment to make Ramsey field wireless. Equipment was sent to us. We fixed the batting cage also.

Police Chief Report-Chief Sommer

We have hired a new part time officer named Travis Campbell. He is good to go with training. Rita Nichol is a corrections officer at Sangamon County and a control tactics instructor. She will start the academy May fourth at Illinois Southwestern College.

Detective Harris completed his 80hr. course for detective training up by Chicago. We have been buying our own stuff to process crime scenes here in house. It was a re imbusement course. Officer Doolin and K9 Jett completed the recert training and was in the top half of class.

Would like to get a hiring list in place for future hires.

After the recent lost dog, we had so many people reach out wanting to foster so we are going to start a new program Founded Foster. Help foster dogs until we find an owner or get the application process started to adopt. This will allow us to avoid the pound.

Wild canine donated a chip reader so we can locate pet owners.

Compiling a list to use when we need extra help at events.

New Business:

Sewer Rate Increase coming up in the future. 4 to 5 percent increase.

Ordinance 22-08 Approving the annexation of certain property to the Village of Rochester-Maras Property

Discussion: none

Trustee Hendrickson made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-08. Motion was seconded by Trustee Zobrist.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Munroe-YES Trustee Hendrickson-YES
Trustee Eandi-YES Trustee Zobrist-YES

Motion passed 4-0.

Ordinance 22-09 Authorizing Advertising/Sponsor Signage on Village JFL football fields.

Discussion: Trustee Munroe mentioned this would be including signs in the back of the park. *Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-09. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motion.*

ROLL CALL: Trustee Monroe-YES Trustee Hendrickson-YES
Trustee Eandi-YES Trustee Zobrist-YES

Motion passed 4-0.

Resolution 22-05 Approving Easements for Sewer Extension at North Oak Hill Rd.

Discussion: President Suerdieck mentioned we were missing a signature but would like to go ahead with approval so we can get some other properties approved. If there any changes that need made it would come back to the board.

Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-09. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Munroe-YES Trustee Hendrickson-YES
Trustee Eandi-YES Trustee Zobrist-YES

Motion passed 4-0.

Resolution 22-06- Approving Historical Society Mowing Agreement for 2022

Discussion: President Suerdieck mentioned this is the same agreement as last year just leaving the agreement open so we don't have to do this every year. Same rate as last year.

Trustee Hendrickson made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-06. Trustee Munroe seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Munroe Trustee Hendrickson-YES
Trustee Eandi-YES Trustee Zobrist-YES

Motion passed 4-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Personnel 5ILCS120/2c1

Trustee Munroe made motion to go into executive session. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion.

Trustee Munroe made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motion.

Adjourned at 7:57p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Klobnak
Deputy Clerk