

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M., DECEMBER 7, 2020**

After calling the meeting to order, President Kaufman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll, with the following members present: Blunier, Leitch, Leman (remote via phone), Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

PRESENTATIONS – Leigh Ann Brown from the Morton Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Council gave two presentations: a 2020 EDC Update and a presentation on a Community App Partnership.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Amanda Parker (on behalf of her and her husband Jason Parker) presented an informal petition with over 700 signatures in support of a tattoo shop on Main St. She also read a letter in support of it from Anita Roth, the owner of the building they wish to open the shop in.

Heidi McDaniel spoke in support of Amanda and Jason Parker’s tattoo business.

Scott Willis of 339 N. Nebraska spoke in support of Zoning Amendment #20-07 ZA on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes.
 - 1. Regular Meeting – November 16, 2020
- B. Approval of Bills

Trustee Menold moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by Trustee Leitch and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.
No: None.
Absent: None.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

President Kaufman presented and requested acceptance of bid for the Water Treatment Plant Improvements Project at 500 Detroit Ave. in the amount of \$10,848,000 and award of contract for same to Williams Brothers Construction Inc. (Peoria, IL). Trustee Leitch moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.
No: None.
Absent: None.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Administrator Smick presented Ordinance 21-29 - An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2020, and Ending April 30, 2021. Trustee Newman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.
No: None.
Absent: None.

Administrator Smick then presented Resolution 15-21 - A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Amendment to Agreement with Groveland Fire Protection District for Fire Protection Services. Trustee Menold moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and denied after the following roll call vote:

Yes: Menold – 1.
No: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 5.
Absent: None.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

On behalf of DPW Loudermilk who was unable to join the meeting, Superintendent of Wastewater Todd Frantii presented Ordinance 21-30 - An Ordinance Making Amendments Regarding Sanitary Sewer Repairs to Section 8-3-5.1 of the Morton Municipal Code. Trustee Newman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.
No: None.
Absent: None.

ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

ZCO Marks presented Zoning Amendment #20-07 ZA – 200, 204, 206 E. Jackson St. Trustee Newman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.
No: None.
Absent: None.

ZCO Marks then requested to table two items listed on the agenda because of a public hearing notice that needs to be issued for them. The items were A) Zoning Amendment #20-08 ZA; and B) Preliminary and Final Plats for Kruse & Bliss Subdivision. Trustee Newman moved to table the two items. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.
No: None.
Absent: None.

ZCO Marks then presented Zoning Amendment #20-09 ZA – 108-110 E. Queenwood Rd., 1920 Main St., 104 Queenwood Rd., 112 Queenwood Rd. Trustee Newman moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.

No: None.

Absent: None.

VILLAGE TRUSTEES

LEMAN – Trustee Leman presented Resolution 16-21 - A Resolution Authorizing the Creation of an Economic Support Grant Program Called Village of Morton Business Sustainability Grant. After considerable discussion surrounding the program and guidance given for changes to the grant program, a vote was taken to amend the motion with the changes. Trustee Parrott had moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Trustee Leitch and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.

No: None.

Absent: None.

After the amended motion was passed, Trustee Newman moved to approve the Resolution as amended. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parrot and approved with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Leitch, Leman, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.

No: None.

Absent: None.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Blunier moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Leitch and followed by a unanimous voice vote.

ATTEST:



VILLAGE CLERK



PRESIDENT

