

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M., June 21, 2021**

After calling the meeting to order, President Kaufman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll, with the following members present: Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 4.

PRESENTATIONS – None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Leigh Ann Brown of the Morton Chamber of Commerce & Economic Development Council gave a projection for a gathered and connected Pumpkin Festival on grounds this Fall. She also announced that 4th Friday events were this Friday from 5-8pm. The Design Den is now in the building where Binkley Jewelers used to be and there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony during the 4th Friday events. Wayne Menold was announced as the 2021 Pumpkin Festival Parade Marshal; applications are now open for floats in this parade. New this year will be a Pumpkin Chili Cookoff event on August 7th in partnership with Potters Alley and MYBA. Noted was that Miss Vickies South location has been awarded a microgrant and they are currently remodeling for a projected opening in September. Wednesday at 9:30am will be a Grand Opening at Arby's new location.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes.
 - 1. Regular Meeting – June 7, 2021
- B. Approval of Bills

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

Yes: Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 4.
No: None.
Absent: Blunier, Hilliard - 2.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT – None.

VILLAGE CLERK – None.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Administrator Smick requested approval of a Business Sustainability Grant. This grant is the last of the applications for the second round and is for the Training Domain in the amount of \$5,867.92. Administrator Smick mentioned that the State of Illinois has mentioned that the Village of Morton may be able to expand these grant offerings and offer a third round with roughly just over \$100,000.00 left to spend. A motion to accept this grant was made by Trustee Leitch and seconded by Trustee Newman. The motion carried with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 4.
No: None.
Absent: Blunier, Hilliard - 2.

Administrator Smick then requested approval of a Business District Commission recommendation for a \$13,500.00 business improvement grant to be awarded to Miss Vickies South for new siding on their building. A motion was made by Trustee Newman to approve this grant and it was seconded by Trustee Parrott. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 4.
No: None.
Absent: Blunier, Hilliard - 2.

Administrator Smick concluded by requesting approval of Resolution 03-22: A resolution appointing authorized representatives to serve on the panel of the police pension fund. Illinois government has consolidated police pensions into one fund and this resolution allows for such. Some discussion regarding the logistics of this legislation and how it will impact our local police officers was had. Funds from our department's plan will only be sent if absolutely required by the State and more details will be given in the future as this is developed. A motion to approve this Resolution was made by Trustee Menold and seconded by Trustee Parrott. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Yes: Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 4.
No: None.
Absent: Blunier, Hilliard - 2.

CHIEF OF POLICE - None.

CORPORATION COUNSEL - None.

DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES – None.

ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – None.

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Trustee Blunier – None.

Trustee Hilliard – None.

Trustee Leitch presented a discounted package deal for new Fire and Police radios. This incentive is for a new type of radio that was previously discussed for a new Starcom system and will give 2 more years of warranty than usually given by ordering early. There was some discussion on this topic, including logistics of the system overall, and no vote or official approval was needed to proceed at this time.

Trustee Menold – None.

Trustee Newman – None.

Trustee Parrott – None.

CLOSED SESSIONS - None.

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSIONS - None.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Newman moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Leitch and followed by a unanimous voice vote of all present board members.

ATTEST:


VILLAGE CLERK


PRESIDENT

