

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M., December 6, 2021**

After calling the meeting to order, President Kaufman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll, with the following members present: Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 5.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

PRESENTATIONS – None.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Leigh Ann Brown of the Morton Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Council announced that the nominations were open for the Distinguished Service Award. Nomination forms can be found on their website and in their last newsletter. She also announced information regarding the Morton Leadership Program that is held for 12 weeks starting in January.

Rudy Heusuk presented the Board of Trustees with a letter regarding the Morton Pumpkin Festival and how it affects his business and others in their building on First Avenue. He explained his concerns and asked the Board of Trustees to assist in resolving them.

Brent Wassi of the Wassi Group also spoke about the inconveniences caused by closing First Avenue during the Pumpkin Festival and asked the Board of Trustees to assist in finding a remedy for the concerned businesses.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes.
 - 1. Regular Meeting – November 15, 2021
- 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: Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 5.
No: None – 0.
Absent: Blunier – 1.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT – President Kaufman presented Ordinance 22-14: an ordinance amending Title 3, Chapter 8, Section 6 of the Morton Municipal Code re number of liquor licenses. Trustee Parrott motioned to accept the ordinance and it was seconded by Trustee Leitch. The ordinance was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 5.
No: None – 0.
Absent: Blunier – 1.

VILLAGE CLERK – None.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR – Administrator Smick presented Morton Spring Tourism Grant Round Recommendations which laid out how to disburse the remaining grant funds. Trustee Newman motioned to accept this recommendation and it was seconded by Trustee Parrott. The recommendation was approved by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 5.
No: None – 0.
Absent: Blunier – 1.

Administrator Smick then presented Ordinance 22-15: an ordinance for the levy and assessment of taxes for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2021, and ending April 30, 2022. Trustee Leitch motioned to accept this ordinance and it was seconded by Trustee Hilliard. The ordinance was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 5.
No: None – 0.
Absent: Blunier – 1.

Finally, Administrator Smick presented Resolution 15-22: a resolution authorizing agreement with Phillips, Salmi & Associates, LLC. Trustee Newman motioned to adopt this resolution and it was seconded by Trustee Menold. After positive remarks regarding this company from the Board of Trustees and Administrator Smick, the resolution was accepted by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 5.
No: None – 0.
Absent: Blunier – 1.

CHIEF OF POLICE – None.

CORPORATION COUNSEL – None.

DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES – None.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS – DPW Loudermilk requested acceptance of a proposal from Altorfer Inc. for a new 5-year lease on a 926M Caterpillar 926M Wheel Loader with a guaranteed buyback of \$ 100,000. He briefly explained some details and Trustee Parrott motioned to accept the proposal. It was seconded by Trustee Hilliard and approved by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 5.
No: None – 0.
Absent: Blunier – 1.

ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – None.

VILLAGE TRUSTEES

Trustee Blunier – None.
Trustee Hilliard – None.
Trustee Leitch – None.
Trustee Menold – None.

Trustee Newman – None.
Trustee Parrott – None.

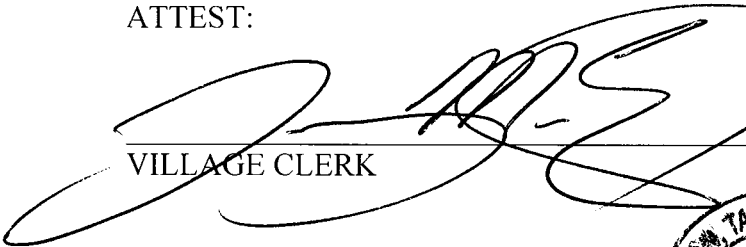
CLOSED SESSIONS – None.

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSIONS – None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST:


VILLAGE CLERK


PRESIDENT

