

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M., April 4, 2022**

After calling the meeting to order, President Kaufman led the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk Evans called the roll and the following Trustees were present: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman – 5.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

PRESENTATIONS – None.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Leigh Ann Brown announced upcoming events and important dates for the Morton Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes.
 - 1. Regular Meeting – March 21, 2022
 - 2. Closed Session – March 21, 2022
- 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, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman – 5.
No: None – 0.
Absent: Parrott – 1.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT – None.

VILLAGE CLERK – None.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR – Administrator Smick presented Ordinance 22-18: An Ordinance Making Amendments Regarding the Charge for Gas Usage Service Charge to Section 8-2-15 of the Morton Municipal Code. After she explained the purpose and need for this ordinance, there was a brief discussion. Following this discussion, Trustee Newman motioned to approve the Ordinance, it was seconded by Trustee Menold, and approved by the following roll call vote:

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

Administrator Smick then presented the preliminary budget for fiscal year 2023 and notified the Trustees that it was simply for their review prior to being on the next meeting's agenda.

CHIEF OF POLICE – None.

CORPORATION COUNSEL – None.

DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES – None.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS – DPW Loudermilk requested acceptance of bids for the 2022 Street Overlay Program from General Funds for Mill & Overlay in the Amount of \$ 1,675,869.04 and Award of Contract for Same to R.A. Cullinan & Son, Inc., from MFT Funds for Sealcoating in the Amount of \$ 95,840.00 and Award of Contract for Same to Porter Brothers, and from MFT Funds for Fog Coating in the Amount of \$ 44,450.41 and Award of Contract for Same to R.A. Cullinan & Son, Inc. Trustee Menold motioned to approve the bids and it was seconded by Trustee Hilliard before being approved by the following roll call vote:

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

DPW Loudermilk then requested acceptance of Bid for the 2022 Miscellaneous Concrete Repairs Project in the Amount of \$ 1,258,790.35 and Award of Contract for Same to Otto Baum Co., Inc. There was some discussion regarding this project and why only one bid was received. Trustee Newman motioned to accept the bid. The motion was seconded by Trustee Leitch and approved by the following roll call vote:

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

DPW Loudermilk then requested acceptance of Proposal from Xylem Dewatering Solutions, Inc. (Mokena, IL) for a new 6” Godwin CD150S Pump for the Wastewater Department in the Amount of \$ 47,721.92. Trustee Hilliard motioned to accept the proposal and it was seconded by Trustee Leitch. The proposal was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

DPW Loudermilk then requested acceptance of Proposal through Sourcewell and from Altorfer Inc. for a 2022 Cat 420XE Backhoe Loader in the Amount of \$ 69,000.00 (Includes Trade-In of 2018 John Deere 310SL HL Backhoe Loader). Also includes a 5-year/2,000 Hour Guaranteed Buyback Price for \$ 75,000. Trustee Menold questioned if the hours were good and DPW Loudermilk said that they were. Trustee Blunier positively commented regarding the use of Sourcewell to obtain the best prices. Trustee Newman motioned to accept the proposal and it was seconded by Trustee Menold. The proposal was accepted by the following roll call vote:

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

Finally, DPW Loudermilk requested acceptance through Sourcewell and from Cross Implement, Inc. (Minier, IL) for a 2022 John Deere Gator in the Amount of \$ 23,816.18. Trustee Newman asked if this would be fully funded out of the wastewater budget and it was confirmed. Trustee Leitch asked what the department would be doing with the old gator and that sparked a brief discussion regarding the Police Department’s need for a new one. Trustee Newman motioned to

accept the proposal and it was seconded by Trustee Leitch. The proposal was accepted by the following roll call vote:

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

ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – President Kaufman introduced Aaron Freeman of U-Haul and the two spoke and showed photos regarding plans for the business. ZCO Marks had Petition No. 22-04 SP for the U-Haul facility listed on the agenda and Trustee Hilliard motioned to approve it. This motion was seconded by Trustee Menold. Following these motions, Trustee Leitch motioned to amend Petition No. 22-04 SP by adding an addendum. The motion to amend was seconded by Trustee Hilliard and the addendum was read by Trustee Leitch. The amendment was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

Following approval of the amendment, amended Petition No. 22-04 SP was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

VILLAGE TRUSTEES

Trustee Blunier – None.
Trustee Hilliard -None.
Trustee Leitch -None.
Trustee Menold – None.
Trustee Newman – None.
Trustee Parrott – None.

CLOSED SESSION was had for the Purpose of Discussing Collective Negotiating Matters Between the Village and its Employees or Their Representatives, per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). A motion to enter into this closed session was made by Trustee Leitch and seconded by Trustee Hilliard with approval given by the following roll call vote:

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

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSIONS – None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST:


VILLAGE CLERK


PRESIDENT

