

**VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
7:00 P.M., November 6, 2023**

After President Kaufman called the meeting to order, the Pléde of Allegiance was recited and Clerk Evans called the roll, finding the following members present: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.

**PUBLIC HEARING** – None.

**PRESENTATIONS** – None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** – None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes.
  - 1. Regular Meeting – October 16, 2023
  - 2. Closed Session – October 16, 2023
- B. Approval of Bills

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

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT** – President Kaufman presented an Ordinance amending Title 3, Chapter 8, Section 6 of the Morton Municipal Code regarding number of liquor licenses. Trustee Parrott moved to approve the Ordinance and it was seconded by Trustee Menold before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

President Kaufman then spoke regarding vandalism at Memorial Plaza and encouraged citizens to report vandals so the facilities may remain open for use in a clean and working manner. It was noted that general tax funds must be used to repair any damage, so we should all take pride in our town and protect public facilities.

**VILLAGE CLERK** – Clerk Evans congratulated the Morton JFL 9U football team on winning their League Championship.

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR** – Administrator Smick requested approval of Property & Casualty Insurance renewal for December 1, 2023 through December 1, 2024. Trustee Parrott moved to approve the insurance renewal and it was seconded by Trustee Leitch before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

Administrator Smick then presented the audited financial statements for fiscal year ending April 30, 2023. A light discussion occurred in review of these statements.

**CHIEF OF POLICE** – Chief Miller requested approval to purchase 3 Ford Explorers at State bid price of \$40,985.00 from Morrow Brothers Ford, Inc. Trustee Blunier moved to approve the purchase and it was seconded by Trustee Leitch before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

Chief Miller then announced the Stuff a Squad Car event to be held on November 11, 2023.

**CORPORATION COUNSEL** – None.

**DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES** – None.

**DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS** – DPW Loudermilk presented a Resolution authorizing Joint PPUATS Funding Agreement for 2024 fiscal year. Trustee Parrott moved to approve the Resolution and it was seconded by Trustee Hilliard before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

DPW Loudermilk then presented Petition No. 23-07 SP. Trustee Menold moved to approve the petition and it was seconded by Trustee Hilliard before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

After that, DPW Loudermilk presented an Ordinance making amendments to Title 10 of the Morton Municipal Code regarding old Morton District provisions for B-3 zoned properties. Trustee Parrott moved to approve the Ordinance and it was seconded by Trustee Newman before approval by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Blunier, Hilliard, Leitch, Menold, Newman, Parrott – 6.  
No: None – 0.  
Absent: None – 0.  
Abstain: None – 0.

**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** – Trustee Newman moved to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing collective negotiating matters between the Village and its employees or their representatives, per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), and the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the Village of Morton pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5). The motion was seconded by Trustee Parrott and approved by the following roll call vote:

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

**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 Parrott and followed by unanimous voice vote of all present board members.

*Jeffrey L. Kaufman*  
PRESIDENT



*[Signature]*  
VILLAGE CLERK