

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES,  
THE VILLAGE OF McCULLOM LAKE,  
4811 W. ORCHARD DRIVE  
McCULLOM LAKE, IL 60050  
FEBRUARY 23, 2016**

President Counley called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Roll Call:** By the Village Clerk, Sherri L. Messina

**Present:** President Counley, Attorney Shaw, Trustees Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter.

**Minutes:** Trustee Matthesius made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections; seconded by Trustee Shepit. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Trustee Matthesius asked about funds for gaming. President Counley stated that we have not received it yet for December or January, along with no revenue from P.A.C.E. or our portion of tax revenue. Trustee Matthesius made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report; seconded by Trustee Bogacz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Bills:** Trustee Matthesius made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Trustee Fritz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Committees: Parks & Beach** – Trustee Glave has met with the tree place O’Hanna. If we ordered 10 trees of more it would be the cheapest to get at \$350.00 a tree plus installation. We would have to figure out how many trees we need first and what kind of trees. If some residents are interested in paying half for some trees the price would be even cheaper. The sooner we order them the better because they sell out fast. President Counley will contact Brian Gates.

**Roads:** Trustee Shepit stated that Paul got in one Stop sign on Maple Hill and is working on getting the other one up. Trustee Walter stated that there are people driving too fast down at the end of Parkview and maybe don’t realize that the road narrows back there. President Counley will have our Police department sit and watch over there.

**Communications:** President Counley read from the IML from the Governors speech that they are proposing no reduction in our current local share of income taxes. President Counley and Treasurer Conway will be meeting with Bob from Midfirst Financial on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 3:00 P.M. and would also like someone from the Finance committee to sit in on this as well. Sewers should be paid off on May 1, 2021 but not sure if the loan could be refinanced at a lower interest rate. Attorney Shaw suggested maybe they could just take the balance and refinance for the same term amount with less interest. President Counley feels it's worth listening to. The Building will be paid off in 2030.

Trustee Walter had Barb from the Cemetery Association contact him about the ten (10) acres they have and gave him a tax bill where she thought that they had already been annexed into the Village. Attorney Shaw stated that he will call county, because they are the ones that hold the official records. The property is zoned Agricultural and if we do annex them in could it be rezoned to residential. Their Cemetery committee's next meeting is in April.

**Audience:** A resident had some shingles blow off his roof in the last wind storm and wanted to know if he needed a permit to repair them. President Counley suggested he talk with the Building Inspector.

**New Business:** Approve Pay Request #1 for Abitua Plumbing – Phase 4-C in the amount of \$9171.00. Trustee Matthesius made a motion to approve the pay request; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Tornado Siren – Trustee Shepit still needs to get prices on poles and she is making sure that Dispatch and County are on the same page with the siren. We did receive money from the insurance company two (2) months ago but it did not include reimbursement of the pole. We want to be able to hear the siren when we are inside of our homes especially when we're sleeping so we can seek shelter if the siren goes off in the middle of the night.

Trustee Matthesius made a motion to table this until the next board meeting; seconded by Trustee Bogacz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Stop Signs both ways on Maple Hill & Spring – Trustee Shepit made a motion to ratify the approval of the stop signs at Maple Hill and Spring; seconded by Trustee Bogacz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Discussion:** Rental properties – Clerk Messina went thru every village sticker application from 2015 and looked at every one where the box for renter was marked and also the applications where no boxes were checked which ended up being nine (9) pages worth. These were then weeded out by Clerk Messina and Marjorie Bjorkman comparing them with addresses on each with the Landlords that we have on file. Some were in good standing as Landlord's reporting them

as rental's, some are not recorded at all as rental's. There was discussion on how the property is considered a rental or not. Does the property owner have to live on the premises for it "not" to be considered a rental and if they live off premises is it then considered a rental. Some have letters stating that they are not rentals but just have family members that live in them that do not pay rent, etc. Clerk Messina will now go back and pull the signed Village sticker applications where they were marked as renters and letters will go out and possible citations issued for Failure to register homes as rentals.

The next Neighbors Helping Neighbors meeting is Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at the Hickory Lodge. Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 7:00 to 10:00 P.M. will be our first Teen Night at the Village Hall.

Trustee Matthesius made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

The next board meeting will be March 8th, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Hall.

Terry Counley  
Village President

Sherri L. Messina  
Village Clerk