

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
THE VILLAGE OF McCULLOM LAKE,
4811 W. ORCHARD DRIVE
McCULLOM LAKE, IL 60050
JUNE 27, 2017**

President Shepit called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. – Tape recording the meeting.

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

Present: President Shepit, Attorney Shaw, Trustees Bogacz, Fritz, Given, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter.

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

Treasurer: Acting Treasurer Hansen has stated that Illinois Funds has been holding our money. As of the last statement we have \$95523.00 in our General Fund \$26812.00 in our Motor Fuel Fund. There is \$177889.00 in our E-pay Account these accounts should be reconciled on a daily basis and these have not been reconciled for over a year. Acting Treasurer Hansen was able to transfer over the \$95523.00 to our General Fund and the \$26812.00 to our Motor Fuel Fund. A lot of the \$177889.00 is for our Sewer Fund. She would like the board to think about which report that they would like to see either a Trial Balance or a Statement of Revenue & Expenses and get back to her. All bills will be paid out of the General account, if they look at the bottom and see the over \$400,000.00 that is owed to the Sewer Account we cannot run this Village on money that is only to be used to pay off our Sewer debt, not to pay the Village bills. It's alright if we borrow it for awhile but it needs to be paid back by the end of the Fiscal year. The auditors have cited that issue three (3) years in a row. As long as she is Treasurer we will not be pulling money out of that account. Any asterisks after an account is telling you it should be a debit but it's a credit that means something is wrong there. This is going to take her a long time to straighten this up. Trustee Bogacz made a motion to table the Treasurers Report: seconded by Trustee Mazurka. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Given, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Attorney: Attorney Shaw stated that he looked into the Public/Private Beach distinction and if there was possibly an exemption for the water testing that needs to be done, but there is not an exemption for that. The board needs to address how we want to handle the stickers for beach parking and that we get the signs put up so that people can read them. Motorized Scooters – As of right now what the gentleman in the Village is doing is against the law for any number of reasons and the Police can certainly cite him and tell him not to do it. Attorney Shaw has a feeling that what he's going to do is go to the Secretary of State and get a registration for it. It does not excuse the fact that he is speeding through the Village and blowing stop signs, he still has to follow the road signs regardless. Road Repairs in front of the old Schlitter house. Attorney Shaw believes the contractor is back on site. President Shepit can probably give you a better idea of the current status of that. There was a resident here complaining about the property at 5219 West Lane that is in disrepair. The property was in an estate and then the property was deeded back to the estate and Attorney Shaw is trying to track down the attorney of the estate to find out the story on this and as of right now there is no foreclosure action pending on it. The letter that he sent out just came back yesterday, so he is going to try and track this guy down. President Shepit stated that as far as the road cut on Spring she was able to meet with the contractor out there. They filled the hole with gravel, sand and three (3) inch rock. President Shepit made them dig it all out and repair it with the flowable fill as per our Ordinance. The Police Department is going to have a second bicycle safety class held on July 22, 2017 and maybe possibly post it on Facebook or get some flyers out. There have been at least four (4) children that have smacked into cars. It has also been suggested that maybe give the parents a \$5.00 citation or have the child take a mandatory bicycle safety class.

Communications: President Shepit met with Com-Ed and our service review on outages has gone way down. President Shepit was informed that in 2018 smart meters are coming and that there might be an option for us to opt out of it. Com-Ed will not be putting up old lights because they can't get the parts for them anymore and instead will be replacing them with LED lights. President Shepit looked for a sign that said Child Present that was being blocked by trees but couldn't find it, but there are some intersections that need the bushes trimmed so that drivers have a better view.

Audience: It was brought up whether the Zender property was a double lot and it was stated that it is not. Cindy brought up the Lake project. President Shepit stated that we were not informed by the City of McHenry that a chemical was

put in the lake to kill the weeds. There are about 15 homes on Lake Shore Drive that President Shepit has a list of that if her kids could help get the seaweed pulled out of there and just drag it over to the boat launch and then the Village could get rid of it. If the kids could help with that it would be greatly appreciated.

Old Business: Beach Parking – President Shepit talked to Paul and he was not able to find any signs for the Beach so we will need to purchase new ones. If the board members could jot down some bullet points for Attorney Shaw such as fees for non-residents, whether or not we should have seasonal passes to purchase or daily passes etc. It was stated that the City of McHenry charges \$5.00 to get on to their beach. Trustee Matthesius made a motion to table this until the next board meeting; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Given, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Memorandum McHenry Garden Center Waiver of Water Meter Requirements. The Memorandum will be a charge of \$250.00 a month and the agreement will be for a term of one (1) year and shall be reviewed by the parties annually. The agreement shall automatically renew for one (1) year periods without further action of either party. This agreement shall be non-transferrable. Upon the sale or transfer of the property and/or upon a new or different owner or business operating on the Property, this Agreement shall terminate. Trustee Bogacz made a motion to approve the MOU; seconded by Trustee Given. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Given, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Gun Safety Classes: Chris Cwiak was in the audience and explained in detail what his plans were and it was not only the gun safety classes but also the sale of firearms and ammunition. Mr. Cwiak was extremely knowledgeable about this type of business and he answered every single question that was presented to him. He was not opposed to any of the requests that were given to him by the board and Chief of Police. Mr. Cwiak's main goal is safety first. The only way for him to get a Federal License is that he first had to get a Business License through the Village. Chief Beatty strongly suggests that the business have a good working relationship with the Village. Attorney Shaw mentioned that the ATF puts anyone applying for such a license through the ringer and there are specific guidelines that they must follow to obtain the Federal License. Attorney Shaw recommended that the board approve the license with a security cage on site and would like to see a floor plan submitted. If he does not comply then the Village has the right to pull the license which would also pull the Federal License. Trustee Bogacz made a motion to approve the Business License for ARM International Merchants LLC; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Given, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. Motion carried.

New Business: Prevailing Wage Ordinance – Trustee Matthesius made a motion to approve Ordinance 489 – Prevailing Wage Ordinance; seconded by Trustee Mazurek. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Given, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. Motion carried, all in favor.

Re-Open Line of Credit – Acting Treasurer Hansen stated that for years we've had a \$150,000.00 line of credit with the Wonder Lake State Bank and she feels it's a good idea to have it, if they will give it to us. Trustee Fritz made a motion to Re-Open the Line of Credit; seconded by Trustee Given. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Given, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion: President Shepit let the board know that the grant money for the siren has not come out yet from the Mayors Caucus. President Shepit also met with the Care of Trees Company and they confirmed what Brian Gates had stated that there is only one bad tree out there. We have the trees topped off so that there is free flowing air through them. President Shepit feels that we should move some of the new trees, otherwise there will be a wall of trees and when they grow it would block the view of the lake. She feels at least five (5) of the trees should be moved to various places. Trustee Matthesius feels the trees should stay. Trustee Bogacz's concern is that if the trees are moved the guarantee we received would be voided. Trustee Bogacz mentioned that outgoing Trustee Glave had brought up the grant for trees which would be a matching program and we would have to pay for the trees and then be reimbursed. She was willing to work on it but there was not enough time to get that kind of paper work in, it was just not feasible at this time. Trustee Matthesius did go around the Village and made a list of trees that are dead or need major trimming and need to come down. President Shepit asked if these were on private property or road way. Trustee Matthesius replied that most were on private property. Trustee Walter has concerns of vehicles parked on the grass at Lakeside Auto. Trustee Matthesius asked if the contractor had a timeline for paving the road that was cut out on Spring Road. President Shepit said as soon as the owner finds a company to come out and pave it, it will get done. She thought it was supposed to be Monday but it hasn't been done yet but it is ready to go. Trustee Bogacz brought up welcome/care packages for new home owners after talking to new residents. They were pleased at how friendly our Police officers were. Her suggestion would be that the board thinks about possibly doing these care packages for home owners but not renters. Attorney Shaw stated that there could be a few issues with that and suggested that the Village work with some form of local group or organization in coordination with action by the Village and send out informational packets that would welcome them to the neighborhood. He would not suggest using a direct use of public funds.

President Shepit had a positive comment from kids in the Village on our Police department as well.

Chief Beatty stated that there is a \$20000.00 Step Program Grant that he applied for last month. As far as the squad car goes he feels we would get more money selling the other squads out right than trading them in. Ford Fleet program has an option to lease a vehicle and at the end of the term purchase it outright for a dollar. Chief Beatty also brought up that there is a legal mandate for Use of Force/Civil rights classes that can be done in house. The online classes would cost the Village \$665.00 for the whole department.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors next meeting will be July 13th, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at the Village Hall.

Froggie Fest on the 4th on Fountain Lane, please feel free to stop by.

Trustee Walter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 P.M.; seconded by Trustee Mazurek. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Given, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

The next board meeting will be July 11, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Hall.

Marilyn Shepit
Village President

Sherri L. Messina
Village Clerk