

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES,  
THE VILLAGE OF McCULLOM LAKE,  
4811 W. ORCHARD DRIVE  
McCULLOM LAKE, IL 60050  
MARCH 8, 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, Trustees Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter.

**Absent:** Attorney Shaw

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

**Bills:** Trustee Bogacz 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:** Finance – President Counley met with Treasurer Conway and Pam Plechner of the Finance committee. See under Discussion.

**Parks & Beach** – Trustee Glave is still waiting to hear on what kind of trees we need. She suggested foregoing the lawn treatment for a year and just purchase some trees along with not paying dues for the Chamber of Commerce. President Counley brought up that KABOOM has grants for Parks and maybe Trustee Glave could go online and look at it, which she stated she would. President Counley will try and contact Brian Gates about what trees need to be taken down and how many would need to be replaced.

**Roads:** Trustee Walter said the incorrect sign that was at the end of West End, is now completely missing. Trustee Shepit will have Paul look and see what type of signs we have on hand and get a sign put up there. There is digging going on along Parkview that no one knows who is doing the work and why. Trustee Shepit stated they needed to be shut down. President Counley will contact our engineer Frank Cuda concerning this matter.

**Communications:** President Counley asked everyone to look at the Police stats for the month. He received a notice from Com-Ed that our electric rates will be going down in March. If anyone is going to the MCCOG dinner that's being held at the Village of Algonquin to please RSVP by March 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Audience:** Cheryl Martin was in the audience. She is part of the Cemetery Board that was inquiring about whether the parcels of land they had were annexed into the Village or not. Attorney Shaw did find out that way back when Forest Glen started up that they needed 25 feet of the cemetery property for sewer purposes which was annexed in. Attorney Shaw did send a letter to the Cemetery Board asking if they wanted to annex in and what the Village could offer them. President Counley would be happy to email it to Cheryl since she is on the board and she can bring it to their next meeting. Cheryl also inquired about the use of the Neighbors Helping Neighbors sign to advertise for an Easter Sunrise Service at 6:30 A.M. to be held at Peterson Park for the First United Methodist Church. Since there is nothing going on that week they have no problem letting her use the sign and she can get with Shirley in the office about it.

**Old Business:** Tornado Siren – Trustee Shepit is still inquiring about prices for the pole that is needed. She is talking to Com-Ed and will be checking into grants from Homeland Security along with other contacts she has at FEMA. Trustee Fritz made a motion to table this until the next board meeting; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

**New Business:** Approval of Zabel & Associates to do our annual Village audit. Trustee Walter made a motion to approve Zabel & Associates, P.C. to do the annual audit; seconded by Trustee Shepit. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Discussion:** President Counley met with Kevin Willis from First Midstate Inc. along with Treasurer Conway and Pam Plechner from the Finance committee. The Village could possibly save about \$36000.00 a year by re-financing the remaining amount owed with the same length of the term. This would also lower our resident's tax bills. Mr. Willis is going to contact some local banks such as Wonder Lake State Bank and McHenry State Bank concerning the re-financing and will try and have something for the next board meeting where Mr. Willis could be in attendance along with Treasurer Conway and Pam. The items that the Village received from the LESO (Law Enforcement Support Office) program such as the HUM V, golf carts and ATV are items that cannot be sold but given to other Police departments in need. The two golf carts are going

to the Village of Lakemoor. Records must be kept on where each item goes and LESO must be contacted about it whenever there is an exchange.

The next Neighbors Helping Neighbors meeting is at the Village on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. The Easter Egg Hunt is Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M.

Trustee Bogacz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46; seconded by Trustee Matthesius. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Glave, Matthesius, Shepit, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

The next board meeting will be March 22nd, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Hall.

Terry Counley  
Village President

Sherri L. Messina  
Village Clerk