

**MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
THE VILLAGE OF McCULLOM LAKE,
4811 W. ORCHARD DRIVE
McCULLOM LAKE, IL 60050
December 16, 2025
All Village Board meetings will be tape recorded.**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: By Village Clerk Messina

Present: President Counley, Trustees Fritz, Thompson, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky

Absent: Trustees Bogacz, Attorney Shaw

Minutes: Trustee Fritz made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Fritz, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. Trustee's Thompson & Vick=abstained. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: N/A

Bills Read and Approved: Trustee Vick made a motion to pay the bills; seconded by Trustee Zakrocky. Voice vote: Fritz, Thompson, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Attorney: N/A

Finance: N/A

Building & Zoning: N/A

Parks: N/A

Roads: N/A

Blight: Trustee Walter: House at the end of Spring Road seems to have a yard sale always going on. He also noticed that our garbage bill went up and thought that we got to put out one big item a month. Deputy Clerk Prehn: It's actually one big item a week but it has to be less than fifty (50) pounds and some people don't think about calling first and they put it out there and then it doesn't get picked up and they don't pull it back and it sits out there for weeks. Trustee Thompson: However if you call them up they will come and take care of it and they might throw forty (40) or fifty (50) dollars on your bill, but the item will be gone. President Counley also let Chief Beatty know that garbage pickup is on Monday and there should not be any garbage cans left out on Tuesday because in case these guys are out plowing.... Trustee Vick: They will get sent back to their receiver. President Counley: Chief Beatty will let his Officers know and Deputy Clerk Prehn will put something in the Newsletter again about bringing your cans in.

Police: Trustee Zakrocky: He contacted Chief Beatty about having the new Officers come to this meeting but the Officers were unable to attend and he will try and have them attend the next meeting. Trustee Zakrocky read off the Police Report from last month. We have our newest Officer Vanessa Garcia now on patrol. Trustee Vick: He had Officer Garcia over at his house because his neighbors happened to have chickens from somebody at their house and he woke up and was going to work and there were ducks in his driveway and one of the ducks were bleeding and Officer Garcia came over and she was amazing. Trustee Zakrocky: Good to hear. Trustee Vick's wife Brittany stated that Officer Garcia took control of the situation and handled in the right way, so kudo's to Officer Garcia. President Counley: That is really good to hear and if we do get to meet the new Officers at the next board meeting to please bring this situation up. Trustee Vick: We were very impressed with her.

Communications: Trustee Walter: Do we have anything going on with a Christmas light contest? President Counley: No. Deputy Clerk Prehn: We could plan it for next year.

Audience: Deputy Clerk Prehn: The only thing she has is the emails are set up but that is a long conversation. It's probably going to have to be done individually and the IT guy did give her instructions. Trustee Vick: Can we set up a time to go over it with you so that we are not all doing it at once. Deputy Clerk Prehn: Yes. He just sent the instructions today.

Old Business: Ratify Ordinance #575 Hall Rental Agreement Increase – Trustee Walter made a motion to ratify Ordinance #575 Hall Rental Agreement

Increase; seconded by Trustee Fritz. Voice vote: Fritz, Thompson, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Ratify the Approved IT Maintenance Contract – Trustee Walter made a motion to ratify the IT Maintenance Contract; seconded by Trustee Vick. Voice vote: Fritz, Thompson, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business: Action to keep Executive Session Minutes Closed to the Public – Trustee Vick made a motion to keep the Execution Session Minutes Closed to the Public; seconded by Trustee Fritz. Voice vote: Fritz, Thompson, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Action for Destruction of Verbatim Recordings of Executive Session Minutes 18 Months and Older that there are Approved Minutes for – Trustee Vick made a motion for the Action for Destruction of Verbatim Recordings of Executive Session Minutes 18 Months and Older that there are Approved Minutes for; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Fritz, Thompson, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion:

Trustee Fritz: The next Neighbors Helping Neighbors meeting will be January 13, 2026, 6:30 PM in the back room at The Knoll.

Froggie's Annual Fishing Derby is January 24, 2026. Sign up is at 5:30 AM.

Trustee Zakrocky: There is going to be a Fundraiser for resident Dawn Adams on February 1, 2026 at The Knoll from 1:00 to 5:00 PM.

Trustee Vick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 PM; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Fritz, Thompson, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

The next Village board meeting will be January 27, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

Terry Counley
Village President

Sherri Messina
Village Clerk