

**MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
THE VILLAGE OF McCULLOM LAKE,
4811 W. ORCHARD DRIVE
McCULLOM LAKE, IL 60050
January 27, 2026
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 Bogacz, Fritz, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky

Absent: Trustee Thompson Attorney Shaw

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

Treasurers Report: Trustee Bogacz made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report; seconded by Trustee Fritz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills Read and Approved: Trustee Bogacz made a motion to pay the bills; seconded by Trustee Vick. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, 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: N/A

Police: Trustee Zakrocky read off the Police Report from last month. Trustee Zakrocky turned over the floor to Chief Beatty. Chief Beatty introduced Officer Fernando Camacho. The Village board welcomed him.

Communications: Discuss and Approve the continuation of teaming up with McHenry Township Road District Program for future road programs. The original Intergovernmental Agreement was adopted on December 8, 2020. President Counley: Since we did not receive the grant money from last year where we were hoping to do all the roads we are limited with money this year on what we can do. Township is planning on doing two (2) sections of Flanders Road that belong to us part of section is up to Ringwood Road and the other part is down by Spring Road. Those two (2) sections come out to be around \$79,000. We have around \$185,000 out of our MFT Fund which doesn't get us a real lot. President Counley feels that Fladers Road is fairly decent compared to other sections of our roads so his proposal is to use those funds for Spring Road from Flanders up the rest of the way to Orchard, excluding the patch of the road that was already done and then spots here and there throughout the Village. We are hoping to get the big grant next year. Deputy Clerk Prehn: We don't qualify for the Block Grants because our low to moderate income level which is at 42% and it has to be at 48.3%. HUD requires a minimum of 43% and we are at 46%. We can apply next year to see if we qualify. President Counley: We will apply for anything and everything that is out there. Deputy Clerk Prehn: Township is going to be working over on Flanders and we can have that portion of Spring done for around \$100,000 which is just an estimate and could probably come in lower. Trustee Walter made a motion for the continuation of teaming up with McHenry Township Road District Program; seconded by Trustee Fritz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Walter, Zakrocky. Trustee Vick: Abstained. Motion carried.

Audience: Kathy Zakrocky wanted to remind everyone of the Fundraiser for Village resident Dawn Adams that is being held at The Knoll on February 1st, 2026 at 1:00 P.M. Our Police department will allow for parking on one (1) side of the street on Spring Road down to Orchard.

Deputy Clerk Prehn: Informed the Board that Shirley has scrubbed all the chairs, all 200 of them and sewed up any of the ripped ones.

Instructions for new emails were given to all Board members. Also, the W-2's have been printed but they are not uploaded to the government yet because there is a problem with the software company. Deputy Clerk Prehn has been monitoring this.

Old Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

Discussion:

Trustee Fritz: The next Neighbors Helping Neighbors meeting will be February 10, 2026, 6:30 PM in the back room at The Knoll.

Froggie's Annual Fishing Derby had to be cancelled due to open standing water on the lake.

Trustee Bogacz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 PM; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Vick, Walter, Zakrocky=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

The next Village board meeting will be February 24, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

Terry Counley
Village President

Sherri Messina
Village Clerk