## REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE VILLAGE OF McCULLOM LAKE,

4811 W. ORCHARD DRIVE McCULLOM LAKE, IL 60050 May 24, 2022

## All Village Board meetings will be tape recorded.

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

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Present:** President Shepit, Trustees Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter

**Absent:** Attorney Shaw, Trustee Vick

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

**Treasurers Report:** Trustee Bogacz made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Trustee Fritz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Bills Read and Approved:** Deputy Clerk Prehn mentioned the Police Social Program that we had approved a while back; we still have not gotten the signed copy back yet. Can we please approve that \$2500.00 because they don't have their invoices in place yet and haven't figured out how to bill it out yet and they can't sign the IGA so Chief Beatty wanted to know if we could pre-approve the \$2500.00 so when that invoice comes in we can pay it? It's included in the IGA it's supposed to be due July 15<sup>th</sup> but they haven't gotten their stuff in and I'm hoping to have this before the June meeting. President Shepit stated that Deputy Clerk Prehn could email it the Trustees. Trustee Bogacz made a motion to pay the bills and include the pre-approval of the \$2500.00; seconded by Trustee Mazurek. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Parks:** Trustee Matthesius met with Lori & Paul today and she went through the catalog and she selected some tables and everyone seemed to be in agreement. We're going to do four (4) picnic tables and seven (7) benches. Shepit: And this is with the grant money? Trustee Matthesius: Correct. Deputy Clerk Prehn found buoys, ropes & weights. The tables and benches will be anchored down. They also found a table that is ADA compliant. They would like to get the area by the basketball court going and the cost is going to be anywhere up around \$2000.00 depending on how much sod is. Deputy Clerk Prehn: We'd actually like to do that now and we really do not have the stamp of approval on the grant yet so this would be \$2000.00 max that we might just have to eat. Trustee Matthesius: There's going to be a swale that is going to go Trustee Walter: The drain that you're talking about to the existing drain. doesn't go anywhere and it's filled to the max, it's filled with dirt and he had cleaned it out about two or three years ago. Trustee Matthesius: I talked to Paul she believes it goes across the street and into that drain. Paul fixed the alligator and someone sat on the head and cracked it again. They think that the toddler slide can be fixed but they will be replacing the larger spiral slide but not really sure what the price is yet. Deputy Clerk Prehn: We're really only about half way to the \$30,000.00. Trustee Matthesius: Also we're going to get new 30 gallon trash receptacles with covers on them. They are also thinking about doing a sidewalk with crushed limestone from the handicapped parking spot to about the end of the building which will be more ADA accessible so people can get to the beach and park. We also don't know how much the shipping will be yet on these items. Everything that Trustee Matthesius chose has a twenty (20) year warranty. Deputy Clerk Prehn: She will give Paul the go ahead on the sod. Trustee Matthesius: We'd like to get it done and settled before the 4th of July. President Shepit: Adam's not here but they are working on some of the check list they're almost finished with that as far as McCullom Lake Road goes. Trustee Bogacz: I believe I saw marking on Spring and Fountain..... President Shepit: Spring and Fountain had a telephone pole fall a week ago Monday at the northeast corner. Paul went over there and put it on the side of the road and President Shepit called AT&T to let them know they had to do something about the fallen pole because there was a line still attached to it plus she mentioned to them about getting all these other poles out of here which they are working on. So they agreed to come out and AT&T called her on Wednesday morning about 9:00 A.M. and they told her that they came out to pick up the pole but they don't know what she's talking about. She again stated that it was at the northeast corner with the line still attached so she drove over there and it was gone, somebody stole the pole. The AT&T line that was attached to it was all rolled up and put in the evergreen tree going up the tree and crossing the road. So now they're going to have to replace the pole. President Shepit actually drove through the neighborhood looking to see if somebody had the pole the thing is over 15 feet tall. All of the poles that were replaced with the taller poles AT&T and Comcast still need to get their lines off those poles and on to the new ones. Com-Ed will remove the old poles once all those lines are removed.

**Blight:** Trustee Walter: There is still a hole on Parkview at 5307. Trustee Walter stated he had talked to the renter and he said he mentioned it to the landlord and the landlord said he wasn't going to do anything about it. President Shepit: Is it in the road? Trustee Walter: It's about half and half. Half of it is asphalt and half of it is on the shoulder. President Shepit asked Deputy Clerk Prehn to give that information to Paul.

Trustee Matthesius asked if we get more grant money if we could look into getting a seawall. She has no idea on what the sea wall could cost. President Shepit: To do that we would have to have the Army Core of Engineers come out here for that. Trustee Fritz: We'd be better off just dredging this side of the lake. President Shepit: We can't do that because we don't own the lake, McHenry does. Trustee Walter: Do we own that radio tower? President Shepit: We don't own it and aren't sure who does own it but it was put there for dispatch, but we do not get any rent from it because there was no deal worked out on it. It is up at the northwest corner of the village on the last lot up there. We don't even know if it's being used anymore.

**Communications:** President Shepit: We got an email about a resident who has read our Ordinance for animals and pets but is wondering if mini pigs are allowed as pets in our area. It would be just a pet. Clerk Messina: If she read our Ordinance it says no swine. The resident Jenny was hoping to attend the meeting but she had to work she has been a veterinary technician since 2003. The pet would not be left outside like a farm animal it would be kept indoors. Trustee Walter: Once you open that door then you'll have others asking about having chickens etc. Trustee Bogacz: It's in our Ordinance and this isn't a benefit to the Village but if she has something to present to us that might change our thoughts then she can bring it to the meeting.

**Audience:** Glenn, his neighbor is upset because she had to pay \$1000.00 out of her pocket after that tree fell down. The neighbor whose tree fell thought his insurance company might pay for it but that didn't happen. President Shepit: This would be a civil matter between those neighbors there's nothing the Village can do about this and you cannot legally go on to people's property.

**Discussion:** Trustee Fritz: The Golf Cart Poker Run was very successful. It raised \$3225.00 for Neighbors Helping Neighbors. There were 21 golf carts that participated.

President Shepit received a letter from the McHenry County Chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) in partnership with Woodstock Pride

and PFLAG McHenry is inviting us to join them in recognizing our LBGTQIA community by issuing a Proclamation and displaying the Pride Flag to establish June 2022 as Pride Month. We do not generally have any other flag than the American Flag so we will leave it at that.

Trustee Fritz: The Smoke Out is June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The band starts at 3:00 P.M. and he will start serving food at 4:00 until it's gone.

Trustee Matthesius: Placed a bunch of tomatoes and cucumbers in the community garden. She also weeded out there. If anyone else would like to add something to the garden please go down there and plant away. She's not going to able to water it next week because she'll be out of town. Trustee Walter: Is the water container full? Trustee Matthesius: I thinks it's empty. President Shepit: She thought it was full because of the rain we've had but she'll take a look at it.

Trustee Mazurek made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 P.M.; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

The next Village board meeting will be June 21, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

Marilyn Shepit Village President

Sherri L. Messina Village Clerk