

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
THE VILLAGE OF McCULLOM LAKE,
4811 W. ORCHARD DRIVE
McCULLOM LAKE, IL 60050
October 25, 2022
All Village Board meetings will be tape recorded.**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

Late: Trustee Vick

Absent: Attorney Shaw

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

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

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

Audience: Moved to New Business

New Business: Approve December Board Meeting to be held on December 13, 2022 – Trustee Fritz made a motion to approve the December meeting to be held on December 13, 2022; seconded by Trustee Mazurek. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried

Approve January Board Meeting to be held on January 17th, 2023. Trustee Mazurek made a motion to approve the January meeting be to be held on January 17, 2023; seconded by Trustee Bogacz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

An Ordinance Authorizing Disposal of Personal Property Owned by the Village of McCullom Lake – Trustee Bogacz made a motion to approve Ordinance #548 An Ordinance Authorizing Disposal of Personal Property owned by the Village a 1999 Dodge Truck, VIN. #3B6MF3650XM592306; seconded by Trustee Fritz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

An Ordinance Creating Chapter 9, Article III of the Code of Ordinances (Camping) – Trustee Mazurek made a motion to approve Ordinance #549 An Ordinance Creating Chapter 9, Article III of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of McCullom Lake; seconded by Trustee Bogacz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Vick=ayes. Trustee Walter=nay, motion carried.

An Ordinance Amending Section 2-8 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of McCullom Lake – Trustee Vick made a motion to Approve Ordinance #550 An Ordinance Amending Section 2-8 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of McCullom Lake (Authorization for Discretionary Expenditures; seconded by Trustee Walter. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Vick, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #16 Section 8-3 (Discharge of Firearms) – Trustee Mazurek made a motion to table this until the next Board meeting; seconded by Trustee Vick. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Vick, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Audience: Chickens - President Shepit brought up that our attorney is looking at all of the other municipalities' ordinances concerning chickens and will be putting something together for us. Some other municipalities require building permits to put up a hen house. Some have ordinances where chickens would only be allowed in rear part of properties, there's an amount of hens that could be had, no slaughtering of them, roosters prohibited, owners must be registered with the Illinois Agricultural Livestock premises registration, so there are a lot of stipulations that go along with this none of which the Village has ever had because they're not allowed in the Village. So our attorney will be drafting up an Ordinance that works for this Village. We have to be conscience of renters that sometimes just disappear in the middle of the night and wanted to have chickens and then those chickens are left behind. So we need to protect the residents that don't want chickens and protect the residents that do want chickens so there's a lot that would have to go into this Ordinance. So we need to try and

cover all bases within this Ordinance so we can address any problems before they happen. Trustee Vick: This could always be addressed to the homeowners. President Shepit: You could but you also have to put the Ordinance together and get everything in there and have what is in the best interest for all the residents in the Village. A resident addressed President Shepit about the Ordinance already in place about the lot size, and why can't the Ordinance be amended and just change the property size? It says you can have chickens if you have over an acre of land. President Shepit stated there isn't anyone in the audience here that has an acre of land. Trustee Vick: I believe what he is trying to say is that if you had an acre of land and didn't have chickens before and now wanted them they would not even have to ask the Village. President Shepit: The Ordinance never went any further because there are only two (2) properties that are over an acre. So the Village has to uphold all the other Ordinances such as building, safety, inspections all of that. Resident: So if the people that have the acre and wanted to have chickens then they probably wouldn't have to do any of that. President Shepit: Probably not. Another resident stated he's been a police officer for 21 years and he had never gotten any complaints about chickens. President Shepit: We get calls all the time for just about everything. Maybe by the next meeting we can have a preliminary Ordinance. Trustee Vick: Can Trustees have input on this. President Shepit, yes. Once our attorney gives us a preliminary Ordinance then it will be added to the agenda but we can't say whether it will be on the agenda for the next month's meeting or the one after that.

Consensus to have Attorney draft up a written Ordinance to allow Hens – Trustee Mazurek made a motion to have our Attorney draft up a written Ordinance to allow Hens; seconded by Trustee Bogacz. Voice vote: Bogacz, Fritz, Matthesius, Mazurek, Vick, Walter=ayes. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion: Trustee Fritz stated that there were only three (3) pots of chili in the Chili Cook Off. Other events were going on that day so there was a low turnout but the Bonfire had a great turnout. Neighbors Helping Neighbors will be decorating the Trolley on December 9th, 2022 with Christmas Caroling on December 10th, 2022 around 4:30 or 5:00 P.M. The Neighbors Helping Neighbors Christmas Party is on December 11th, 2022 from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. at the Village Hall. If anyone is in need of a Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner please contact Trustee Fritz. Trustee Fritz will also be doing Toys for Tots.

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

The next Village board meeting will be November 22, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

Marilyn Shepit
Village President

Sherri L. Messina
Village Clerk