

VILLAGE OF BARTONVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

Monday, November 14, 2022 6:00 p.m.

Leon Ricca, Village President of the Village of Bartonville, as head of the public body, as defined in subsection (e) of Section 2 of the Freedom of Information Act, has determined that an in-person meeting or a meeting conducted under the Illinois Open Meetings Act is not practical or prudent because of a disaster, as defined in Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, which has been declared by the Governor of the State of Illinois. The Village of Bartonville is covered by the disaster area declared by the Honorable Governor J.B. Pritzker.

Further, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, this meeting (including open and closed portions thereof) will be conducted by video conference (via Zoom). The Village President will be physically present at the meeting location, Village Hall, located at 5912 S. Adams Street, Bartonville, IL 61607. All other requirements of 5 ILCS 120/7(e) will be followed.

Mayor Ricca called the November 14, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with a roll call.

Present: Trustees Helms, Leibach, Carroll, Donley, Rhea, and Bentley.

Absent: None. Quorum present.

Also present: Mayor Ricca, Attorney Jump, and Clerk Carr-Bruce.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees Donley and Carroll motioned for the approval of the October 24, 2022 Board minutes and communications.

Ayes: Trustees Helms, Leibach, Carroll, Donley, Rhea, and Bentley.

Nays: None. Motion passed.

Trustees Rhea and Carroll motioned for the approval of the expenditures and any supplementals.

Ayes: Trustees Helms, Leibach, Carroll, Donley, Rhea, and Bentley.

Nays: None. Motion passed.

DEPARTMENTS

Public Works- Superintendent Terry Beckman spoke of using a backhoe to remove some of the leaves from the storm drain grates. It was stated that some residents were blowing leaves onto the streets.

Department is getting ready for snow and still doing curb cuts when weather permits. Public Works will be working on tree cutting and removals.

Sealcoat schedule is almost ready.

The Village bucket truck is done, it will not pass inspection. The department is renting one from Sunbelt to put up decorations. A self-propelled model was stated to be the most efficient.

Terry is obtaining pricing on a new backhoe. The current backhoe has over 4,000 hours and is 17 years old, but still worth money on a trade-in.

Trustee Leibach questioned if renting a vacuum to get leaves from storm drains was possible. Terry stated that we have some inlets flush with the curbs and that they blow the leaves before the street sweeper goes by.

Police Chief- Tony Segree presented the department report and spoke of getting ready to submit proposal for crime prevention grant.

Trustee Donley thanked the Police department for their work on Ordinance violations and Trustee Leibach thanked the department for putting the radar unit on Airport Road.

Fire Chief- Mike Cheatham presented the monthly report. There were 9 fire and 56 rescue calls for the month of October.

Auto extrication training was spoke of and the junk cars used for it will be getting removed.

Chief Cheatham thanked all for the employee and volunteer appreciation dinner held on October 29, 2022.

Mayor Ricca thanked the department for saving \$30,100.00 for the month and \$406,717.50 year-to-date, minus their small stipend.

Parks/Recs- Heidi Rhea presented the Parks report and spoke of Christmas at Alpha Park events:

- Saturday, November 19th -- Volunteer Set Up Day starting at 8am until all 300 trees & signs are in place. Coffee & Donuts provided in the morning and a First Student Bus will be set up in the middle of the park with a Hot Chocolate bar for all volunteers.
- Friday, November 25th -- Drive Through Event & First tree lighting.
- Saturday, November 26th -- Walkabout Event.
- Wednesday, December 7th -- Pet Pictures with Santa.
- Friday nights in December – Hot Chocolate & Popcorn.

Mr. & Mrs. Marty Behrends and friends will place a stone with memorial plaque in the Memorial Garden at Alpha Park in memory of Tom Schepke.

December 3, 2022 the Limestone High School will host a 5k Fun Run in Bartonville and the path will include Alpha Park.

The Peoria Area Mountain Bike Association (PAMBA) will begin marking a trail in Lauterbach Park this winter with flags.

Thank you to the folks at the Senior Coffee in November – they were a big help in getting some items ready for the tree set up day.

Mayor Ricca thanked Heidi and the Parks volunteers for their hard work and dedication.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

Richard Russo/Chris Jump

MAYOR

Mayor Ricca made the November 14, 2022 Declaration of State of Emergency.

VILLAGE CLERK

Trustees Rhea and Donley motioned to approve the estimate of May 1, 2022 - April 30, 2023 Levy and Assessment of Taxes, a 3% (\$40,517.00) increase over the prior year for a total levy of \$1,391,088.00.

Ayes: Trustees Helms, Carroll, Donley, Rhea, and Bentley.

Nays: Leibach. Motion passed.

Trustees Rhea and Leibach motioned to approve ORDINANCE #1867 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF AN ITEM OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF BARTONVILLE- 1949 Ford 8N TRACTOR.

Ayes: Trustees Helms, Leibach, Carroll, Donley, Rhea, and Bentley.

Nays: None. Motion passed.

Clerk Carr-Bruce expressed gratitude to Chief Segree, Officer Mobeck, Dispatch Coordinator Kristy Watson, Fire Chief Cheatham and others from the Police and Fire Departments for their assistance with her mother on November 10, 2022. Clerk Carr-Bruce also thanked Village Bookkeeper Joan Garber for her kindness and compassion.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Leibach questioned a purchase order for getting one of the police cars fixed at a shop located in Peoria on Jefferson and Spruce. Trustee Leibach suggested keeping the work within the Village and that he would rather support the work being done at garages in the Village. It was explained that the shop was originally located in Bartonville, and it is owned by a Village resident.

Trustee Leibach spoke of a complaint that he received from a resident on Paramount and that the citizen had called the Police on an ordinance violation and then waiting multiple weeks for nothing to happen. Trustee Leibach stated that the complainant claimed that upon calling a second time, dispatch stated that the Police have better things to do. No names were provided, and Trustee Leibach stated that he feels that this is unprofessional and told the complainant that it would be handled.

Trustee Leibach questioned a purchase order related to Brad Carr's retirement party and didn't realize he was retiring. Trustee Leibach thanked Brad for his service. Mayor Ricca explained that he and the department had taken Brad out for lunch to celebrate his retirement.

Trustee Carroll reminded all of a Finance Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

Trustees Carroll and Helms motioned to approve purchase of 3 License Plate Readers and enter service contract with Flock Safety for 60 months.

Ayes: Trustees Helms, Leibach, Carroll, Donley, Rhea, and Bentley.

Nays: None. Motion passed.

Trustees Carroll and Donley motioned to approve a Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Ayes: Trustees Helms, Leibach, Carroll, Donley, Rhea, and Bentley.

Nays: None. Motion passed.

Trustee Donley spoke of Billboard Bistro, 801 McKinley Ave. opening their establishment to the public on Thursday, November 24, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for anyone in need of a hot meal on Thanksgiving at no cost. It was stated that this was a great thing for the community and very appreciated.

Snow parking bans will be directed to the Police department by Public Works. Kristy and Michelle will work together on putting out notifications to media, social media and on the My Bartonville App.

Trustee Rhea spoke of Limestone Chamber of Commerce thanking Trustee Donley for starting the Christmas decorating contest in 2021 and that the Chamber of Commerce and Limestone Township will be heading up the contest this year. Residents of Limestone Township wishing to enter the contest must submit their applications prior to midnight on November 27, 2022. Flyers and advertisement are being circulated by Limestone Township.

With there being no public comment, meeting was moved to closed session at 6:42 p.m.

Meeting moved to regular session at 6:47 p.m. with roll call.

Present: Trustees Helms, Leibach, Carroll, Donley, Rhea, and Bentley.

Absent: None. Quorum present.

Also present: Mayor Ricca, Attorney Jump, and Clerk Carr-Bruce.

With no public comments or further business being brought before the Board, meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Michelle Carr-Bruce, Village Clerk.