

VILLAGE OF BARTONVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 28, 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 28, 2022, Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. with a roll call.

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

Absent: Trustee Helms. Quorum present.

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees Rhea and Carroll motioned for the approval of the November 14, 2022, Board Minutes and Communications.

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

Nays: None. Motion passed.

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

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

Nays: Trustee Leibach. Motion passed.

MAYOR

Mayor Ricca made the November 28, 2022, Declaration of State of Emergency.

Mayor Ricca spoke of the Christmas Tree events put on by the amazing group of volunteers from the park committee, how it was a wonderful show of community spirit that has grown from the seeds planted by Derek Roemer and Heather Robinson and that the team efforts keep growing. Mayor Ricca applauded and thanked all in this amazing group that keeps growing.

Mayor Ricca spoke of the ICRMT insurance policy renewal only being a 1% increase over last year's cost and that copies of the plan are available in the office or Clerk Carr-Bruce can email them out.

The fiscal year 2021 audit report has been returned by Gorenz & Associates with no significant findings and Clerk Carr-Bruce will post the audit report on the Village website.

VILLAGE CLERK

Trustees Carroll and Rhea motioned to approve payment in the total amount of \$37,680.00 to Gorenz & Associates for the FY 2021 Audit and Financial report. From this total-\$30,935.00 for the General Funds, \$5,420.00 for the Police Pension funds (to be reimbursed by the Pension fund), and \$1,325.00 for the TIF funds (to be reimbursed by the TIF).

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

Nays: None. Motion passed.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Leibach spoke of being excited again this year to the Christmas in the Park events and that he had even more fun walking through the park that driving as it was a different way to experience the hard work that was put into the events.

Trustee Leibach spoke of his volunteering for the event and thanked Heidi, Derek. The Park Board and Christmas committee, Chief Segree, Fire Chief Cheatham, Assistant Fire Chief Zachman for their hard work for a tremendous event that had a great turn out. It was stated that it brought a lot of people from outside the Village into our park and community to share in the spirit.

Trustee Leibach thanked Chief Segree for handling and Ordinance issue and a personnel issue that he had concerns with at the last meeting.

Trustee Helms enters meeting electronically via Zoom at 6:07 p.m.

Trustees Carroll and Rhea motioned to approve 12/2/22-12/2/23 ICRMT Insurance policy renewal in the amount of \$206,715.00.

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

Nays: None. Motion passed.

Trustees Carroll and Rhea motioned to approve **ORDINANCE #1868** - AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF MAY 1, 2022, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2023, FOR THE VILLAGE OF BARTONVILLE.

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

Nays: Trustee Leibach. Motion passed.

Trustee Donley thanked the Parks volunteers for the wonderful job they have all done.

Trustee Rhea thanked all for their kind words and spoke of the extra help they had received this year from the volunteers. Trustee Rhea thanked the Police, Fire, and Public Works departments, the Boy Scouts, CEFCU, Better Banks, I3 Broadband, local choirs, Tom Skaggs, Derek Roemer's grandfather. Trustee Rhea noted that there were many more involved and spoke of Township Trustee, Andy O'Neil, dressing as an Elf.

The committee is meeting soon and there will be discussion on adding more trees.

Santa pictures with pets is December 7, 2022, from 5pm-7pm.

Every Friday in December, the volunteers will be handing out hot cocoa and popcorn from 6pm-8pm and the details will be posted on Facebook.

On December 3, 2022, LCHS will be having a 5K run/walk through the park with approximately 100 participating. Mayor Ricca noted that the road for the park will be blocked from about 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Police and Public Works will be assisting.

Trustee Bentley spoke of the Christmas in Park events being so well organized and that everything appeared to be going smoothly due to the delegation of duties. Trustee Bentley encouraged people to volunteer for next year. Derek Roemer thanked her and everyone else for their comments. Trustee Bentley and the LCHS Key Club was thanked for their involvement.

The new Limestone Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 2022 Holiday Decorating Contest and the deadline for entry has been extended to December 9, 2022, and it is free to register. Derek reports that there are currently 14 applicants.

With there being no other public comments and no new business being brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.
Michelle Carr-Bruce, Village Clerk.