

Village of Bartonville Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes October 23, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Ricca called the October 23, 2023, Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with roll call.

Present: Trustees Woosley, Donley, Rhea, and Zachman.

Absent: Trustees Helms and Carroll.

Quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees Donley and Rhea motioned for the approval of the October 10, 2023, Board Minutes and Communications.

Ayes: Trustees Woosley, Donley, Rhea, and Zachman.

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

Trustees Donley and Zachman motioned for the approval of the expenditures and any supplementals.

Ayes: Trustees Woosley, Donley, Rhea, and Zachman.

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

MAYOR

Mayor Ricca requested a motion to approve a closed session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2 c 11, probable or pending litigation.

Trustee Donley made the motion, Trustee Rhea seconded that motion.

Ayes: Trustees Woosley, Donley, Rhea, and Zachman.

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

Mayor Ricca thanked Derek Roemer, Limestone Township Supervisor, for taking the lead on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, for the Bartonville Comprehensive Plan Open House at Limestone Community High School.

Mayor Ricca read correspondence from Kevin Cheatham regarding the purchase of two flags to be used on the Memorial flagpole near the public parking lot at the intersection of Adams and Rt. 24. and two flags for Fire Station #2. The flags were purchased by past resident Deb Crist in memory of her father Ray (Red) Atkinson, who was a longtime member and Chief of the Police Auxiliary and also in honor of Charles Cheatham, father of Fire Chief Mike Cheatham.

VILLAGE CLERK

Clerk Carr-Bruce requested discussion and consideration of keeping the 2023 (payable 2024) Tax levy the same as last year and putting the estimate of the levy at \$1,391,088.00. It was noted that this would decrease the general fund amount requested to \$179,508.00 and increase the police pension levy contribution to \$202,067.00. Mayor Ricca noted that the Village of Bartonville's police pension fund is 96% funded and is one of the best in the state.

Trustees Donley and Rhea motioned to approve estimating the 2023 (payable 2024) Tax Levy Estimate as \$1,391,099.00.

Ayes: Trustees Woosley, Donley, Rhea, and Zachman

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Woosley

- Apologized for missing employee/volunteer appreciation dinner and thanked Trustee Donley for her hard work.

Trustee Donley

- Thanked Bartonville Christian Church for accommodating the Village with the use of their facility and thanked Limestone Community High School for sending a volunteer from their Key Club.

Trustees Donley and Rhea motioned to approve making a donation to Bartonville Christian Church in the amount of \$200.00 for use of their facility to host the 2023 Village of Bartonville employee/volunteer dinner.

Ayes: Trustees Woosley, Donley, Rhea, and Zachman.

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

Trustee Rhea

- Thanked Trustee Donley for the very well-run employee/volunteer appreciation dinner.
- Trail Building at Lauterbach Park, Thursday, October 26, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.
- Help at the Parks Day, Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. Cleaning up flower beds, litter pick up, and trail building at Lauterbach.
- Trunk or Treat, Sunday, October 29, 2023, from 3pm-5pm at Alpha Park.
- Final Senior Coffee of the year on Wednesday, November 1, 2023. No guest speaker, workday with coffee and donuts.
- Thanked Derek Roemer and the Comprehensive Plan committee for the open house at Limestone that had different stations and a map. 50-60 people were in attendance.
- Counting Christmas tree lights tonight.
- November 18, 2023, 9am is the Christmas party set-up.
- Saturday, November 25, 2023, 4:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. is the Christmas party in the Park. Christmas trees will be lit.
- Memorial Tree is being planted this Thursday.
- Memorial benches paid for by the Village for Doc Yeley, Mike Helms, and Cindy Stafford are being arranged.

Trustee Zachman

- Thanked Trustee Donley for her work on the employee/volunteer appreciation dinner.
- Thanked Limestone Community High School for hosting the Comprehensive Plan Open House.
- Thursday, October 26, 2023, 6pm, plans to help with counting the Christmas tree lights.

With no visitors or public comment, the meeting was moved to executive session at 6:15 p.m.

The meeting moved to open session at 6:36 p.m. with roll call.

Present: Trustees Woosley, Donley, Rhea, Zachman, Mayor Ricca, Attorney Jump, Village Engineer Pat Meyer, and Clerk Carr-Bruce.

Absent: Trustees Helms and Carroll.

Quorum present.

Trustees Donley and Woosley motioned to approve authorizing emergency relocation of storm sewer on Daycor Divide, if necessary, and waiver of competitive bidding requirements by accepting \$68,195.00 quote from Beckman Excavating.

Ayes: Trustees Woosley, Donley, Rhea, and Zachman

Nays: None.

Motion passed.

With no other visitors or public comments and no new business being brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Michelle Carr-Bruce, Village Clerk