

Village President Henert called the meeting to order 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Denise Coffman, Chuck Ellis, Martha Holder, Susan Larson, Tim Henert

Absent: Rhonda Cardot, David Chapman

Approval of the Minutes

• *Motion to approve the November 14, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes*– Ellis, Second- Larson. Vote to approve: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

• *Motion to approve the December 8, 2022 Cemetery Committee Meeting Minutes*-Holder. Second-Larson. Vote to approve: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

Approval of the Monthly Bills

• Motion to approve bills payable-draw upon the treasury to pay monthly expenditures in the amount of \$65,911.88 plus additional bills-Holder. Second-Larson. Ellis asked about the FFA gift for the village and how many stumps/trees had been removed. Henert replied a number of trees had been removed and stumps removed after the storm in the summer and as sidewalk/street work was anticipated and the diseased trees and trees that were moving pavement would need to be taken out. The FFA gift order was a basket of snacks/cheeses for staff members and people who volunteer their time to the Village.

Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Y -1st
C. Ellis	Υ
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Υ
T. Henert	No vote

Old Business

• *Motion to approve FY 23-24 Levy Ordinance* – Larson. Second-Holder Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Υ
C. Ellis	Y-1st
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Υ
T. Henert	No vote

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 121222 for membership into IML RMA-Ellis. Second—Coffman. This ordinance
approves membership in the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association and authorizes the execution of
an intergovernmental cooperation contract.



Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Υ
C. Ellis	Υ
M. Holder	Y-1st
S. Larson	Υ
T. Henert	No vote

New Business:

• Motion to approve the meeting schedule for Calendar year 2023 with additional dates to be added as needed-Larson. Second-Ellis.

Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Υ
C. Ellis	Υ
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Y-1st
T. Henert	No vote

Zoning (*Casper Manheim*) – Nothing to report

Community Economic Development (Rhonda Cardot)

• Coffman reported that she reached out to a local developer to discuss options for Ashton. She has not seen a lot of movement yet. Coffman and Cardot will continue to try and get someone interested in Ashton.

Streets and Alleys (Chuck Ellis)-Nothing to report

Water and Sewer (David Chapman)

• Henert reported he and Garrison would be meeting with a gentlemen who did an assessment on the integrity of the water tower and he will report those findings in January.

Parks & Recreation (Martha Holder)

Holder said the Christmas walk went okay and the group will re-group in February. There were several factors
including weather and competition for crowds with surrounding communities. Henert thanks all the volunteers for
their work on the event.

Liquor Commissioner (*Tim Henert*)-Nothing to report.

Police Report (*Tim Henert*)

 Henert stated that he was still working on compiling numbers for the next board meeting to discuss options for the Village. Board members discussed the potential cost of keeping the department as it is. Board members also asked what current coverage looked like- Henert said that the Village does still have normal coverage with the County and the State departments.

Clerk's Report (Katie Koks)

Koks asked the board members to follow the link provided to complete OMA training. They should present a certificate of completion to Koks to be filed. Board members only need to complete this once.



Cemetery Board (*Tim Henert*)

• Motion to approve Cemetery rate changes effective January 1, 2023-Larson. Second-Coffman.

Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Υ
C. Ellis	Υ
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Y-1st
T. Henert	No vote

Mills and Petrie Board (Martha Holder)

• Holder reported that 4 security cameras had been installed. More policies were being put in place, and the building would be re-keyed in the near future.

Village Attorney (*Russ Crull*)- Nothing to report. **Other Topics** – None.

• Motion to leave regular session and enter Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/29(c)-21: Discussion of Executive Session Minutes-Larson-Second. Ellis.

Roll Call Vote to enter into executive session at 7:31p.m. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Y -1st
C. Ellis	Υ
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Υ
T. Henert	No vote

• *Motion to return to regular session* – Larson. Second-Coffman. Voice Voice to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed.

The meeting returned to regular session at <u>7:37p.m.</u>

Motion to approve all Executive Session Minutes from April 11, 2016 through June 13, 2022 – Larson, Second-Coffman.

Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Υ
C. Ellis	Υ
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Y-1st
T. Henert	No vote



• Motion to release Executive Session Minutes from April 11, 2016 and May 9, 2016- Larson, Second-Holder.

Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Y -1st
C. Ellis	Υ
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Υ
T. Henert	No vote

• Motion to hold all Executive Session Minutes from October 9, 2017 through June 13, 2022-Larson, Second-Holder.

Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed

R. Cardot	Α
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Y -1st
C. Ellis	Υ
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Υ
T. Henert	No vote

• Motion approve Resolution 20221212-R to destroy verbatim Executive Session Recordings from July 2015 through July 2020- Larson. Second-Coffman.

Roll Call Vote to approve. 4 Yes, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed

R. Cardot	А
D. Chapman	Α
D. Coffman	Υ
C. Ellis	Y-1st
M. Holder	Υ
S. Larson	Υ
T. Henert	No vote

Motion to adjourn- Holder. Second-Coffman. Voice Vote to approve. 4 Aye, 0 Nay, 2 Absent. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:42p.m.

Posted by Katie Koks, Village Clerk