

COUNCIL MINUTES
December 12, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Attendance: Terry Seibert, Seth Seibert, Lucas Crouch, Bruce Rickard, Brian Webb, Bryan Selhorst, Kristina Boroff, Pete Van Arsdel, Lanny Hammitt, Rick Emans, Bill & Jackie Cox, Leslie Gartrell – The Daily Standard

Pete administered the oath of office to Brian Webb and Bruce Rickard as councilmen, and Terry Seibert as Mayor for the 2024 year.

Mayor:

Solicitor:

There was a motion by Seth with a second by Bryan Selhorst to waive the reading of the minutes, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.

There was a motion by Brian Webb with a second by Bryan Selhorst to approve the minutes, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.

Street Commissioner: 82 electric utility poles have been replaced in the village.

Zoning Board:

New Business:

The BPA approves and recommends a 4% cost of living increase for village employees for 2024. There was a motion by Bryan Selhorst, seconded by Seth Seibert to give employees a 4% cost of living increase, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.

Old Business:

Legislation:

- Resolution 2023-08 accepting the amounts and rates and authorizing the necessary levies motion to approve passage Seth Seibert seconded by Bruce Rickard, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.
- Resolution 2023-09 approving the 2024 permanent appropriations by emergency Bryan Selhorst motioned, seconded by Seth, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea. Motion for passage of resolution 2023-09 by Bryan Selhorst, seconded by Brian Webb, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.
- Resolution 2023-10 to approve the 2023 money transfers by emergency Brian Webb motioned, seconded by Bryan Selhorst, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea. Motion for passage of resolution 2023-10 by Seth, seconded by Bryan Selhorst, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.
- Resolution 2023-11 to approve the 2024 solicitor contract for Pete Van Arsdel, Bryan Selhorst motioned for passage, seconded by Seth, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.

Guests:

Mr. Hammitt spoke about the property at Mr. Abels and the unlicensed vehicles. The Mayor is trying to get in contact with him. Someone possibly living in the trailer as well.

216 South Green Street has problems as well. Vehicle on 106 East Walnut without tags is a problem, no license. A lot of the items have been relocated. The mayor stated that we will address this after the beginning of the new year.

Jackie Cox asked about Mr. Coffman missing so many meetings.

Mr. Selhorst asked about the village losing our voting location in Mendon and being moved to Rockford. Many citizens are planning to attend the Board of Elections meeting on December 21 at the courthouse. The Mayor is encouraging people to attend the meeting and have our voices heard. We are very concerned with how this will affect our voter turnout.

Terry wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and encouraged them to continue attending the meetings.

The ATM is getting ready to be placed.

There was a motion by Seth second by Brian Webb to approve the checks and purchase orders, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.

There was a motion by Lucas second by Seth to approve the financial statements, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.

There was a motion by Lucas with a second by Seth to approve the mileage, roll call: Brian Webb-yea, Bruce – yea, Lucas – yea, Seth -yea, Bryan Selhorst – yea.

There was a motion by Bruce with a second by Seth to adjourn.

Terry Seibert – Mayor

Brian Webb – President

Kristina Boroff – Fiscal Officer