

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF WAYNE CITY, ILLINOIS  
NOVEMBER 6, 2023**

- **CALL TO ORDER**

President Hedden called the regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m.

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Hedden led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

- **ROLL CALL**

President Rocky Hedden: Present      Clerk Staci Choate: Present

**Trustees:**

Paul Bruinsma:	Present	Steve Buxton:	Present
Jarod Peyton:	Present	Tim Piper:	Present
Josh Greene:	Absent	Roger Noe:	Present

Also present at the meeting were Worker Kris Shreve, Worker Bert Clymer, Worker Austin Schuster, Police Chief Anson Fenton, Ambulance Coordinator Lisa Clark, Brandon Thomason, Sue Meyers, Troy Seidel, and Jarrod Pruitt from the Wayne County Press.

- **CONSENT AGENDA**

Regarding the Past Due Report, the only customer on the list a final was done and the deposits paid the bill. Regarding the Ambulance Report, Coordinator Lisa Clark said that the EMT class would be over in December and then the class would be taking their EMT test. Trustee Noe made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Ayes 5:      Peyton, Buxton, Piper, Noe, Bruinsma.      Approved.  
Absent 1:      Greene.

Regarding Old Business for the Old Hotel, Police Chief Anson Fenton said that the matter was still in court.

The board discussed Ordinance #610 Tax Levy Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2023 and Ending April 30, 2024. Trustee Piper made a motion to adopt Ordinance #610 Tax Levy Ordinance and Trustee Buxton seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Buxton, Piper, Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton. Approved.  
Absent 1: Greene.

The board discussed the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association Invoice. Option #1 was paying the bill in full by 11/17/2023 for \$59,788.59 and receiving a 1% discount. Trustee Peyton made a motion to use Option #1 and receive the discount. Trustee Noe seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Piper, Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton, Buxton. Approved.  
Absent 1: Greene.

The board discussed a Donation Request Form from JT's Restaurant for \$200 donation for the Thanksgiving Meal. Trustee Peyton made a motion to donate \$200 to JT's Restaurant for the Thanksgiving Meal and Trustee Piper seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton, Buxton, Piper. Approved.  
Absent 1: Greene.

The board discussed the Proposed Change to the Employee Handbook regarding the time frame for getting utility worker water and sewer licenses. Trustee Peyton made a motion to accept the Proposed Change to the Employee Handbook and Trustee Noe seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Bruinsma, Peyton, Buxton, Piper, Noe. Approved.  
Absent 1: Greene.

The board discussed Ordinance #611 an Ordinance Imposing a Monthly Water Tower Maintenance Fee of \$5. Trustee Noe made a motion to adopt Ordinance #611 and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Peyton, Buxton, Piper, Noe, Bruinsma. Approved.  
Absent 1: Greene.

The board discussed Ordinance #612 an Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Real Estate Property (Shell Gas Station Building – 204 & 208 W Robinson Street). Trustee Buxton made a motion to adopt Ordinance #612 and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Buxton, Piper, Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton. Approved.  
Absent 1: Greene.

The board discussed getting a quote for tearing down Shell Gas Station building. This was tabled until next meeting.

The board discussed hiring Matt Fields for the new utility worker. Trustee Buxton made a motion to hire Matt Fields and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Piper, Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton, Buxton. Approved.  
Absent 1: Greene.

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Public Comments:**

Jarrold Pruitt asked about the plan for Shell Food Mart. The board said that it would be torn down and the village would be trying to get another business in there.

Troy Seidel from Technologies by Troy spoke to the board about the smoke issue that he was having at his business when the burn pile at the shop was being burnt. He wants to change where the burn pile is located. Seidel told the board that the tattoo business that he has in the back of his building has to be certified by the Health Department. He said that the smoke is ruining stuff in his building along with his storage units. Seidel would like to have an ordinance against burning. He mentioned that Orel Township has a burn pile. The board told Seidel that they would look into this and try to come up with a solution to the problem.

**Employee Reports:**

Clerk Choate reported that the audit had been finished and that the board all had a copy at their seat.

Worker Bert Clymer told the board that they had been hauling off scrap and had quite a bit of money in the Junk Money Fund. Clymer asked if the workers could purchase a battery powered pruning saw from Milwaukee. The board approved this purchase.

**Trustee Reports:**

Trustee Noe asked about the Christmas lights. Clymer said that they would be put up soon.

Trustee Piper made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:38 p.m. and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

Trustee Piper made a motion to go out of Executive Session at 8:26 p.m. and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

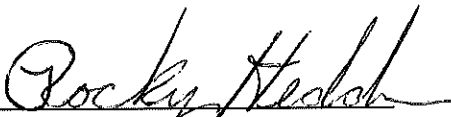
Motion carried by a voice vote.

The board discussed raises and bonuses for all employees. Trustee Noe made a motion to approve raises and bonuses that were in the Wage Review and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Ayes 5: Noe, Bruinsma, Peyton, Buxton, Piper. Approved.  
Absent 1: Greene.

Trustee Noe made a motion to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

  
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President Rocky Hedden

  
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Clerk Staci Choate

Board Meeting Minutes  
November 6, 2023