

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF WAYNE CITY, ILLINOIS
SEPTEMBER 8, 2022**

- **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:

Ryan Austin:	Absent	Steve Buxton:	Present
Jarod Peyton:	Present	Tim Piper:	Present
Josh Greene:	Present	Roger Noe:	Present

Also present at the meeting were Worker Ray Belmont, Worker Kris Shreve, Worker Bert Clymer, Worker Jasen Tubbs, Police Chief Anson Fenton, Tonya Loker, and Jarrod Pruitt from the Wayne County Press.

- **CONSENT AGENDA**

Trustee Noe made a motion to accept the consent agenda and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

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

Darla Green was not present for the Request for Donation to the Archive Committee Memorial Wall.

The Issue with the Red House at 203 S Mound Street was resolved, therefore Roxy Staton was not present. President Hedden stated that the owner had cleared things out and was going to demo the house.

Tonya Loker addressed the board about an incident that had happened to her when she was walking in Wayne City about a month ago early on a Sunday morning. Two big dogs had approached her and one had jumped up on her and was growling. She was not bitten but had fallen backwards and had cuts on her arms and head. She found out later that the dogs are usually in a pen but they had gotten loose and had been out all the previous night. She wanted the board to be aware of all the dogs that run loose in Wayne City. She did state that in the last couple of weeks, there had not been as many. Police Chief Anson Fenton stated that he had been going to every house that had dogs loose and telling the owners that they would start getting fines if they did not keep their dogs contained.

Trustee Noe mentioned that the website had ordinances regarding vicious dogs and one that was updated. Noe mentioned that the village is getting the ordinances codified but are waiting on our attorney to get reviewed.

Trustee Peyton stated that the village had done away with the Humane Society services. Fenton stated that he had someone in mind for replacement.

Mrs. Loker also asked the board about the process for culvert replacement. She explained that her in laws, Dale & Nola Loker, had been waiting on a culvert for over 8 years. She was told they were on a list. Worker Bert Clymer explained why they had been removed from the list but assured Mrs. Loker that they would be back on the list and the new culvert would be put in before the end of the year.

The board discussed Ordinance #605, Tax Levy Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2022 and Ending April 30, 2023 for the Wayne City Ambulance Service. Trustee Noe made a motion to adopt Ordinance #605 and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

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

Approved.

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Public Comments:

Jarrod Pruitt of the Wayne County Press told the board that he would be taking pictures of 75 contestants for the Bean Queen Pageant in the Community Building. Pruitt also inquired about the location of the Community Building.

Employee Reports:

Worker Jasen Tubbs told the board the locator had been using batteries at a high rate. It had been sent in and was going to cost \$1,350 to fix. It had already cost \$186 diagnostic fee and shipping fees. Trustee Peyton told Tubbs to call and talk to the company manager for a better price and if that did not help to let him know. Trustee Noe also mentioned that the village could borrow his locator.

Tubbs told the board that the Tree Chipper would cost \$1,131 to rent. It was also stated that when the chipper was rented that it would be in colder weather and the workers would focus on trimming trees during the rental time.

It was stated that Wabash Communications was only in town to install internet at the library and that they would not be back in Wayne City until Jefferson County was finished.

The board discussed the Kissner Lift Station and the issue had resurfaced since the customer had been back home from the hospital.

Worker Kris Shreve told the board that the water tower had been drained and inspected inside and out in August. An official report has not come in yet but Shreve stated that the unofficial report indicated that the tower did not look too bad.

Shreve told the board that the Cross-Connection Water Survey had been mailed to all the water customers. Shreve thanked the clerk and Worker Ray Belmont for their help. Noe told the board that this was a requirement and regulation for water lines and the official report needs to be completed by April 2024.

Trustee Reports:

Trustee Noe thanked Worker Ray Belmont for his 40 years of service to the Village of Wayne City.

Noe reminded the board that the village needed to start assessing fines for the ordinances letters. Noe mentioned that the attorney was working on the Old Hotel but that the village wanted to not only have it cleaned up but to own it. Noe stated that the attorney could use fines as leverage. Fenton stated that the attorney is looking at our options and he would call him tomorrow.

The board discussed the Terry Richardson property and if the village still wanted to own it. The board is still interested in the property. President Hedden will check on this.

Trustee Noe made a motion to go into executive session at 7:48 p.m. and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

Trustee Noe made a motion to go out of executive session at 8:13 p.m. and Trustee Piper seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.

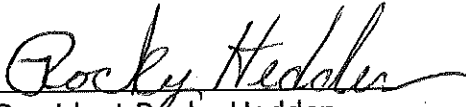
The board discussed raises and bonuses for all employees. Trustee Noe made a motion to approve raises and bonuses that were in the Wage Review and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

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

Trustee Noe will meet with the workers tomorrow morning.

Trustee Noe made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 p.m. and Trustee Peyton seconded the motion.

Motion carried by a voice vote.


President Rocky Hedden


Clerk Staci Choate

Board Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2022