

# Village of Big Rock



## Regular Board Meeting/Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, July 9th, 2024 at 7:00 PM  
Park District Building  
7 SOUTH 405 MADISON AVE  
BIG ROCK, IL 60511

### CALL TO ORDER

*President Matt Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.*

### ROLL CALL

**PRESENT:** President **MATT FITZPATRICK**

Trustee **TED MCCANNON**, Trustee **MARK LYNCH**,  
Trustee **JOE WALSH**

**ALSO PRESENT:** Village Treasurer **BRIAN PHILLIPS**, Village Clerk **LINDSEY ZAMBRANO**,  
Village Attorney **JOHN ZEMENAK**

**ABSENT:** Trustee **TIM MAY**, Trustee **KELLY MAY**, Trustee **KATHY METZGER**

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*President Fitzpatrick led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

*President Fitzpatrick asked for a moment of silence in honor of our Armed Forces and their Allies.*

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

*William McMahon, Progressive Business Solutions, made a presentation about energy options for the Village of Big Rock's sewer plant. The Village has worked with this company in the past, and they shop around for the best energy cost on our behalf. The Village will decide if they will extend the contract and for how many years.*

*Nathan Schachter, Eagle Scout, asked the Village for a donation of up to \$1,000 for his Eagle Scout Project. He is planning to build a life-size chess board with brick pavers with weighted Chess pieces in the Big Rock Park, with installation in mid-August.*

*Darrin Boyer, Sewer Plant Manager, gave a very technical report of recent concerns about the distribution valves in the plant. He has been investigating and wanted to get the Board's approval to use more time to troubleshoot to resolve the issue so the plant's nitrification levels do not exceed standards. He outlined the process with best- and worst-case scenarios, as well as who he would hire to speed the process along, as he suspects the levels could exceed standards by the end of the month. The Board verbally agreed that he should take the time and steps necessary to solve the issue.*

*President Fitzpatrick asked Mr. Boyer his opinion of adding the sewer system to the Village's GIS system map. Mr. Boyer said that it is a very useful and powerful tool in many ways. He outlined the benefits of including the sewer system into GIS Mapping, as it would allow complaint and maintenance notes, reports of data and backups, building and zoning utilization and much more. He noted that he has the tools to get our Village mapped out in a day, making it easy to add it to the GIS map system.*

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA  
CONSENT AGENDA**

*Approval of Bills for July 9th, 2024  
Approval of the June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Village Board Minutes*

*Motion to approve Consent Agenda: Mark Lynch; Second: Joe Walsh  
Roll Call Vote 4-0 (Y= Yay, N= Nay, A= Absent)*

*Tim May-A Ted McCannon-Y Mark Lynch-Y Joe Walsh-Y Kelly May-A Kathy Metzger-A  
Matt Fitzpatrick- Y*

**RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

*Motion to recess to the Committee of the Whole:  
Motion: Mark Lynch, Second: Joe Walsh Voice Vote: 4-0, Time: 7:33 p.m.*

**PRESIDENT FITZPATRICK**

*President Fitzpatrick gave an update on hiring the police force of Hinckley. He is working with Kane County to make sure Kane County dispatch would be linked to Hinckley's Dekalb County. The counties have assured him that the Dekalb force would be legally allowed go to court in Kane County for any tickets issued.*

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS**

*IGA with Kane County Animal Control- postponed indefinitely until the final contract is received.*

**DRAINAGE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**STREET MAINTENANCE REPORT**

*The contract with Bravo Engineering for MARIE STREET paving was approved, and there have been minor reworks to include the JONES ROAD entrance.*

**DEPT. OF BUILDING/SAFETY/ZONING REPORT**

*Code enforcement has been doing their weekly rounds and reports that residents have been complying with warnings or citations that have been issued as a whole. Patriot Plumbing has made significant changes to the lighting situation on their premises after receiving citations. They completed an inspection by code enforcement to verify compliance but unfortunately they have failed compliance with the lighting ordinance.*

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**COMMUNITY REPORT**

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

*Trustee Lynch asked if the Board was agreed that Kane County Sherriff should patrol twice in one day, when they were hired to patrol twice a week, once a day. Board members expressed that they would like to cut back on the service hours with the Kane County Sherriff, to no requests at this point. Kane County will still do county hired patrols thru the Village as they do all of Kane County.*

**VILLAGE EMPLOYEES**

*Clerk Zambrano notified the Board that Illinois State Representative **Jeff Keichner's** mobile office will hold a meeting at the Big Rock Library on Thursday, July 11, 2024 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The Board was asked to bring any questions and concerns for his office. The library expressed appreciation to the Village for their contribution to the summer reading program.*

*Treasurer Phillips asked Attorney Zemenak about the status of USIC and the multiple locates. Attorney Zemenak has not yet heard back from them but will follow up.*

**RECONVENE THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

*Motion to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting:*

*Motion: Mark Lynch, Second: Joe Walsh                      Voice Vote: 4-0*

*MOTION TO APPROVE **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-15**, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH **KANE COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL** REGARDING ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICE FOR 2024-2026*

**MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO 2024-15: POSTPONED INDEFINITELY**

*Motion: Mark Lynch    Second: Joe Walsh*

**Roll Call Vote 4-0    (Y= Yay, N= Nay, A= Absent)**

**Tim May-A    Ted McCannon-Y    Mark Lynch-Y    Joe Walsh-Y    Kelly May-A    Kathy Metzger-A  
Matt Fitzpatrick- Y**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*None.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

***Motion to adjourn: Mark Lynch, Second: Joe Walsh                      Voice vote: 4-0            Time: 8:02 pm***