

Village of Big Rock



Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting/ Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, January 14th, 2025 at 7:00 PM
Park District Building
7 SOUTH 405 MADISON AVE
BIG ROCK, IL 60511

CALL TO ORDER

Village President Matt Fitzpatrick called the meeting of the Village of Big Rock Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for a roll call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Village President Matt Fitzpatrick; Trustee Ted McCannon; Trustee Kathy Metzger; Trustee Mark Lynch; Trustee Kelly May; Trustee Joe Walsh; Trustee Tim May

Also present: Village Attorney John Zemenak

Absent: Village Clerk Lindsey Zambrano; Village Treasurer Brian Phillips

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Village President Fitzpatrick led the Village Board and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Village President Fitzpatrick asked for a moment of silence for our armed forces and allies.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Bills for January 14th, 2025

Approval of the December 10, 2024

Village Board Minutes

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda: Trustee Lynch. Second: Trustee Kelly May.

Roll Call Vote: 6-0.

RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion to Recess to the Committee of the Whole: Trustee Lynch. Second: Trustee Metzger.

Voice Vote: 6-0.

PRESIDENT FITZPATRICK

Village President Fitzpatrick announced that Village Clerk Lindsey Zambrano had her baby. The Village is receiving temporary help from Madeline Dociter during Lindsey's absence. Madeline is the Deputy Clerk for the Village of Sugar Grove. Matt and Tim are working on the February sewer bills. Greg Green is working to fix the flashing lights on the stop sign at 4th Street that are not working; he is donating his time. The Village Board discussed compensating him for future work.

There was a discussion about where to place the speed limit warning sign, and the Board decided to have it placed on Raymond Road. The Board decided against leaving the sign on Rhodes Road, as requested by Mr. Green. Village President Fitzpatrick will work with Wade to have the speed limit warning sign moved/installed.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS

DRAINAGE COMMITTEE REPORT

Village President Fitzpatrick said that the Board needs to figure out how to use the remaining funds in SSA #2 for Tenerelli drainage projects.

STREET MAINTENANCE REPORT

Village President Fitzpatrick said that a resident complained about the condition of the pavement striping on Granart Road, and he would like the Board to consider including this in the next budget.

DEPT. OF BUILDING/SAFETY/ZONING REPORT

Village President Fitzpatrick discussed the status of 7S880 Camp Dean Road and their revised proposal. Village Attorney Zemenak further discussed the status and next steps for this item. Village President Fitzpatrick spoke with the owner of Vacationland about their proposed expansion to the north. They just completed a required traffic study for their proposed curb cut onto Route 30, and once approved, they will move forward with their zoning petition with the Village. Trustee Lynch asked if someone was living in the shed on the property and whether the shed was remaining as part of this expansion project. Village Attorney Zemenak said that he would check the plans, but he thought that this shed was being removed. Trustee McCannon said that he thinks that Schollmeyer Landscaping is having problems getting approvals from Kane County Water Resources.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Village President Fitzpatrick stated that the Village needs to start working on the budget soon and asked if the Village Board had any projects to consider. Village Attorney Zemenak mentioned the Hinckley Road bridge replacement project and the need to issue an RFQ for engineering services. The Village Board gave direction to the attorney to draft the RFQ. Village Treasurer Phillips recently asked Village President Fitzpatrick about the e-fax that the Village pays for, and noted that the Village receives approx. 3 faxes per year at a cost of \$200.00. Since the Village is not legally required to maintain a fax machine, the Board agreed to eliminate this e-fax service. Village President Fitzpatrick said that he was able to obtain used chairs for the office and Board room, which were donated by the Village of Montgomery.

COMMUNITY REPORT

No report.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Metzger asked about the status of Soto-Mayn's parking of RV's on their second, undeveloped property; the Village Attorney provided an update on the Notice of Violation letter that was issued and time period for compliance.

Trustee Lynch said that the street and cross walk striping near the post office and the school need to be redone. He also asked about the status of the American flag brackets; Village President Fitzpatrick said that he needs to order these.

Trustee Tim May said that the American flag at the gazebo was tattered and Gary Petersen replaced the flag at his own expense. He also noted that he was disappointed that there were no Christmas lights on the gazebo this year; Hansen Landscaping was supposed to hang the lights. He also asked if the Village could start its search for a new code enforcement officer so that a person is in place by this Spring. The Village Board agreed. Village President Fitzpatrick said that one option was a code enforcement officer from North Aurora, but she can only work on Saturdays. The Village Board was OK with Saturday work; they were mostly concerned with consistency in job performance.

Trustee Lynch asked if there would be a second meeting in January; Village President Fitzpatrick said no.

VILLAGE EMPLOYEES

No reports.

RECONVENE THE REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Motion to Reconvene to the Regular Village Board Meeting: Trustee Lynch. Second: Trustee Walsh.

Voice Vote: 6-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn the Regular Village Board Meeting: Trustee Walsh. Second: Trustee Kelly May.

Roll Call Vote: 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.