

Minutes of Regular Meeting of Village of Mendon - Adams County, Illinois
Held on Thursday, June 8, 2023
at the Mendon Village Office, Mendon, IL 62351

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Village Mayor David Wittler. Trustees present were: Bastert, Buss, Cantrell, Harper, and King. Trustee Voss was absent. Village Superintendent Raymond Cantrell and Village Clerk Susan Woodruff were in attendance. There was no deputy in attendance.

Motion	Buss	To approve the minutes of the May 11, 2023, meeting as read.	Approve Minutes
Second	Cantrell		
Action	Vote	Aye – All in attendance – Motion Carried.	

Motion	King	After the board was presented account balances, income, expense, and investment reports a motion was made to approve the bills and payroll as read and presented	Approve Bills, Payroll and Financial Reports as presented
Second	Harper		
Action	Vote	Aye – All in attendance – Motion Carried.	

<p>During the reading of the bills, Clerk Woodruff mentioned that payroll had been processed for a new employee, but the employee had not been official approved by the board.</p> <p>Since salaries were only approved on a % basis with the amount to be rolled to the nearest dollar, Clerk Woodruff also pointed out the new hourly salaries for support staff affected by the new salary increases. A listing of salaries was not available at the time of discussion for increase. The official hourly salaries for 2023-24 are as follows: Maintenance Supervisor \$25, Secretary/Treasurer \$24.50, Maintenance Assistant \$15, Secretarial Sub \$13, Deputy \$24 for most senior member, \$21.50 for the other deputies.</p>	<p>Explanation of parts of the bill lists read for approval</p>
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<p>Public Comment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sue Woodruff, Secretary/Treasurer of the Mendon Township Cemetery Association spoke to the village board on behalf of their board with concerns with violations of the Ordinance Regulating Junk Yards No.204, and the amending ordinance No. 293. The first concern was in regard to a fencing issue that separates the cemetery and the junk yard. Board members and families visiting the cemetery over Memorial Day weekend were concerned with sections of the Junk Yard fence that were down and exposing junk vehicles to the view of the cemetery. This fence has had issues over the years and is also in somewhat of disrepair, possibly needing a coat of paint and repairs. The Ordinance states in Section 4 that the premises where the junk yard is located is to be enclosed on its perimeter with a solid non-transparent wall or fence of a minimum height of seven feet etc.. and whether or not the public streets and alleys adjacent to the premises have junk thereon. The cemetery board and many families of persons buried at the cemetery feel the fence and the cars parked on all the properties and streets surrounding the junk yard are in violation and very inappropriate for all funeral processions which must pass this area coming from any local churches or funeral homes. The cemetery board realizes that a license is issued May 1st of each year and asked if the Ordinance Committee could look into these violations and hopefully resolve the issue by the next licensing period. The cemetery is preparing to invest a great deal of money in surveying and marking new lots for sale in the area closest to the north fence of the junk yard (the last available area for new lots) Their concerns are investing money and having no one want to buy those lots under the current conditions. The board agreed to have the Ordinance Committee meet and look at the issues and work toward a solution. 	<p>Public Comments</p>
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<p>Deputies Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (2) Traffic stops • Ambulance Call - Death Investigation • Lost wallet/informational report cash was missing • Fraud case internet – Money scam report • Burglar alarm at school - maintenance 	<p>Deputies Report</p>
<p>Maintenance Superintendent's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LP Tank & Concrete Pad • Motor Fuel – Streets • Sidewalks – Three L Construction • Supt Cantrell also indicated the bill he had questioned on the bill list at the past meeting had been revisited and was not an expense of the village and was removed and no payment made. The bill was paid by Vinson and Sill. • Discussion was also held regarding Lawson Products, which is used by the Village for purchase of supplies changing their requirements and will be requiring a minimum purchase per month to continue to be serviced. 	<p>Maintenance Superintendent's Report</p>
<p>Mayor's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriation Ordinance • Unity After Prom Committee Thank You • Town Clean Up this weekend • Catfish Joe's Fishing Tournament • One thank you was received from one of the seven recipients of the Village Scholarship. • Ameren has dropped their rates and there was no further need to discuss aggregation with Reg Ankrom. 	<p>Mayor's Report</p>
<p>Committee Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building, Planning, Parks, Zoning – (Bastert – Harper) • Employee, Finance, Insurance, Ordinance – (Cantrell – King) • Sewer, Street, Water – (Buss, Voss) 	<p>Committee Reports</p>
<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve Appropriation Ordinance presented by Mayor Wittler 	<p>New Business</p>
<p>Other Items Discussed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trustee King said that the property with graffiti did cover it for a time, but the covering had fallen • Clerk Woodruff shared a flyer prepared by Village Secretary Schlipman that lists the dates for village cleanup and the pickup date. The flyer also includes items that qualify and those that do not. This flyer will be posted following the Village Wide Garage Sales. • Discussion was also held regarding properties in need of mowing, and weed and trash issues. Ordinance 266 covers the weeds and grass and Ordinance 226-14-15 covers nuisances and abatements. It was discussed that properties are being purchased and remodeled by young couples and it is too bad that they have to look at areas in violation of these ordinances as they improve their property. 	<p>Other Items Discussed</p>

Motion	Buss	To approve the Appropriations Ordinance No. 349.23-24 as presented.	Approve Appropriations Ordinance 349.23-24
Second	Cantrell		
Action	Vote	Aye - All in attendance – Motion Carried.	
Motion	Cantrell	To approve a donation of \$100 to the Catfish Joe Fishing Event.	Donation to Catfish Joe Fishing Event in the amount of \$100
Second	Buss		
Action	Vote	Aye – All in attendance – Motion Carried.	
Motion	Bastert	Approve hiring of Jordan Ellerman as a Secretarial Substitute retroactive to May 19, 2023.	Hire J. Ellerman as Secretarial Substitute
Second			
Action	Vote	Aye - All in attendance – Motion Carried	
Motion	King	To adjourn to the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on July 13, 2023. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.	Adjourn
Second	Harper		
Action	Vote	Aye – All in attendance – Motion Carried.	
Mayor			July 13, 2023
Village Clerk			