



Village of Industry

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

January 2, 2025

Kiwanis Building

The Board of Trustees, Village of Industry, McDonough County, State of Illinois met on January 2, 2025. President Staci Danner called the meeting to order. Those answering roll call were Trustees Jones, Rittenhouse, Wheeler, Thompson, Stuckwisch and Murray. Also present were Attorney Laegeler, Treasurer Black, Interim Clerk Larson and Superintendent Gorsuch.

I. Public Comments

- a. None

II. Benton & Associates

- a. Doug was present and discussed updates to the elevated storage tank project. A pay/progress meeting was held in December with Caldwell Tank. The foundation and related engineering are complete. The project is 39% complete and the current payment is \$487,171.53.
- b. Doug also discussed progress on the Pinhook Park improvements. A payment application for Laverdiere of \$146339.15 was approved. The walking path and foundation work are complete and materials have been ordered. Currently, \$66,646.70 in additional equipment has been selected. The spending target is \$90,000. Doug recommends approving the change order tonight and look for additional changes to meet the spending goal. Trustee Stuckwisch made a MOTION to approve the change order. Trustee Thompson SECONDED the motion. A roll call VOTE was held and the MOTION CARRIED.
- c. Doug discussed the need for the Village to finish the loan application for Phase II water improvements. There are 238 water meters that need to be replaced at a cost of \$800 each. It will be a \$250,000 project to replace all meters. The additional engineering cost estimate is \$30,000 and the total estimate comes in at \$300,000. Benton & Associates will work to gather prices and information for meter replacement. Trustee Jones made a MOTION to authorize President Danner to sign the loan documents. Trustee Thompson SECONDED and the MOTION CARRIED.

III. Minutes and Bills

- a. Trustee Thompson made a MOTION to approve the Minutes from the December meeting and pay the bills for January. The motion was SECONDED by Trustee Wheeler. The VOTE was unanimous and MOTION CARRIED.

IV. Village Officials' Reports

- a. President/Mayor Ad Hoc
 - i. The annual report for ARPA expenditures is due April 30th. President Danner and Treasurer Black went through invoices and found \$63,149 that could be paid from those funds, fully utilizing them. Waste Management has made a request to review the Village's current waste management contract.

- b. Clerk
 - i. Clerk Larson submitted a schedule of potential 2025 Meeting dates. Treasurer Black requested the May and October meetings be moved forward 1 week to allow for the monthly bills to come in and the Board agreed.
- c. Treasurer
 - i. Discussion was held on returned checks for water bills. It was decided that returned checks equated to non-payment and could lead to a shut-off.
- d. Village Superintendent
 - i. Superintendent Gorsuch is prepared for the up-coming snow.
- e. Village Attorney
 - i. The title commitment is ready for the Miller property.
- V. Old Business
 - a. There was no discussion on abandoned/nuisance properties as there is nothing pending.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Discussion was held on a TEST proposal for water billing. TEST is looking at a March start date. UBmax was contacted to request an extension on the February onboarding.
 - b. Discussion was held on a proposal to remove the Kiwanis Building steps. Trustee Thompson made MOTION to have Daryl Forman remove the steps. Trustee Murray SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.
- VII. Executive Session
 - a. None
- VIII. Other
 - a. Trustee Jones brought up the need for an engineer for any demolition of the uptown building. There has been no response from Mr. Wickert.
 - b. There is a sink hole in front of the bar. It is likely caused by a collapsed tile. The Village is awaiting a state permit to repair.
- IX. Adjourn
 - a. Trustee Thompson made a MOTION to adjourn and it was SECONDED by Trustee Stuckwisch. Meeting was ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelley Larson, Interim Village Clerk