

**Minutes of the Village of Forreston Board of Trustees**  
**Village Hall**  
**Tuesday January 21, 2025, 7:00 PM**

President Metzger calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited by all.

On Roll Call by Clerk Shenberger, President Metzger, Trustee Norris, Trustee Cotter, Trustee Vinnedge, Officer Klosa, Maintenance Supervisor Timm, Treasurer Schneiderman, Trustee Buss, Trustee Busker, and Trustee Kalina. Four members from the public

Consent Agenda:

1. The Minutes of the January 6, 2025, meeting are reviewed.
2. Accounts payable are reviewed.
3. Treasurer's Report for month ending December 2024.
4. Budget Officers Report for month ending December 2024.

Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the consent agenda and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. All are in favor.

Public Comment – None

Presentations and Petitions – Jerney from Forreston Car Care stated he would like to see if he can close in the space between his two buildings in the alley. He stated it would be safer for his customers and employees in the winter. He also stated he needs more office space. The board briefly discussed it and want to find out what utilities run through there first.

Jennifer from Surf Internet was in attendance for any questions the board has. She sent an agreement before the meeting and President Metzger stated he would send it to our attorney to take a look at.

Building Permits – None

Department Reports:

Supt. of Public Works Report – Maintenance Supervisor Timm reviewed his report and activity since last meeting.

Chief of Police Report – Officer Klosa reviewed his report of activity since last meeting.

Clerk's Report – Clerk Shenberger stated 84 delinquent letters were sent out his month for utility billing.

Committee Reports:

Streets & Alleys - Trustee Buss – approval of IDOT downtown street resurfacing – Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the resurfacing agreement and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, and Kalina all respond with Yeas.

Sewer and Water – Trustee Vinnedge stated he spoke with Community Funding, and they contacted IEPA about the water meter project and we have to resubmit a couple of items because it has been over a year.

Finance - Trustee Busker – Nothing to report.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, and Planning – Trustee Cotter stated Scott has been working on new lights for Christmas. There was a donation to cover new lights for the tree at Memorial Park. The board discussed the project that Forreston Car Care wants to complete with closing in between his buildings. Maintenance supervisor Timm is going to see what utilities run through there and then go from there.

Ordinances – Trustee Norris – Resolution 2025-01 – Resolution to release closed session minutes. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the resolution and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Kalina, Busker, Buss, Vinnedge, Cotter, and Norris all respond with Yeas.

Trustee Norris stated the meeting with the digitization company went really well. She wants to wait to start on the project more until after she gets back from her vacation.

Items Removed from Consent Agenda – None

Village President's Report – President Metzger stated he did respond back to Summit Ridge and has not heard anything back. He stated he received a funding opportunity from AT&T hometown grant from Toni McCombie. He will forward the information to everyone.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business – Approval of Fehr Graham Engineering Agreement – Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the agreement and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Norris. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, Kalina, and Norris all respond with Yeas.

President Metzger will entertain a motion for adjournment. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kalina. All are in favor. The Meeting is adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Shenberger