

Minutes of the Village of Forreton Board of Trustees
New Village Hall
Monday December 5, 2022, 7:00 PM

Village 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, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, Chief Thiel, Maintenance Supervisor Timm, Treasurer Schneiderman, Trustee Buss, Busker, and Kalina are in attendance. Five members from the public are in attendance.

The Minutes of the November 21, 2022, meeting are reviewed. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the minutes and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, and Kalina all respond with Yeas.

The Minutes of the November 21, 2022, Executive Session Meeting are reviewed. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the minutes and is 2nd by Trustee Norris. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, Kalina, and Norris all Respond with Yeas.

Public Comment –None

Building Permits – 106 S 4th Ave – Fence and Shed – The fence is temporary for now for her dog to get through the winter. She will put up a permanent fence in the spring. The shed will only be in her yard until the spring. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the permit and is 2nd by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, Kalina, Norris, and Cotter all respond with Yeas.

Accounts Payable are reviewed by the Board. Motion is made by Trustee Buss to approve the Accounts Payable and is 2nd by Trustee Norris. On Roll Call, Buss, Busker, Kalina, Norris, Cotter, and Vinnedge all respond with Yeas.

Committee Reports:

Streets & Alleys -Trustee Buss nothing to report.

Sewer and Water – Trustee Vinnedge nothing to report.

Finance - Trustee Norris stated we received the bill for the safe.

Approval of the tax levy ordinance 2022-16 – Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the ordinance and is 2nd by Trustee Vinnedge. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Kalina, Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, and Buss all respond with Yeas.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, Planning - Trustee Cotter nothing to report.

Ordinances – Trustee Vinnedge nothing to report.

New Building Committee as a whole – President Metzger stated that he will be picking up the new door mats for the new village hall. Chief Thiel passed around the quote for the electrical work that has already started at the new village hall.

Clerk's Report – Approval of board meeting dates for 2023 – Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the meeting dates and is 2nd by Trustee Norris. On Roll Call, Trustees Kalina, Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, and Busker all respond with Yeas.

Chief of Police Report – Chief Thiel stated officers assisted Ogle County and Stephenson County Sheriff's Departments in a vehicle chase. The chase began in Stephenson County and continued south onto Freeport Road. Officers also responded to a domestic battery incident. He also stated that officers attended Shop with a Cop on December 3rd. We were able to provide 22 kids with essential clothing as well as toys for Christmas. Chief Thiel called about the new police truck for a bid for this next year.

Supt of Public Works Report – Maintenance Supervisor Timm stated they vacuumed up the last of the leaves. They put up the Christmas lights downtown and at Memorial Park. They hauled brush out, burned it, hauled out concrete, and cleaned up at 407. They are getting trucks ready for the snow season.

Village President's Report – President Metzger stated there is a project update from Community Funding. He had a discussion with Community Funding and Fehr Graham on the phase 2 Water Main Project. They discussed adding in more work to this project, but the concern is the fact that it may jeopardize the money and interest rate. So, they talked about maybe adding on a Phase 3. He stated that we may need to have a Special Board meeting to approve the construction and engineering of phase 2.

President Metzger stated he heard back from the owners of the parking lot, and they are not ready to sell yet. They would like another 2-year lease and it has increased to \$2000/year.

He also checked into the rebuild Illinois and the money needs to be spent by 2025.

New Business – Approval of IEPA loan request #8 – Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the loan request and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, and Kalina all respond with Yeas.

Old Business – Approval of Zoning Letter for Morning – President Metzger stated he talked with our attorney Rob and Rob stated he did not have any issues with the set back requirements because that was before the zoning was in place, so it is grandfathered in. Motion is made by Trustee Buss to approve the letter with our Village Attorney's review and changes, and our need to vacate public right away back to Morning. This is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, Kalina, and Norris all respond with Yeas.

Clerk Shenberger swore in Hannah Wolber as our new police officer.

President Metzger will entertain a motion for adjournment. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge and is 2nd by Trustee Kalina. All are in favor. The Meeting is adjourned at 7:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Shenberger