

Village of Mazon Board Minutes
Meeting held at 520 Depot St. Mazon, Illinois
January 9, 2023

The January 9, 2023 meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Present were:, Jeff Marques, Kim Marques, Maleah White, Dalton Misener, Dave Hammen, Jim Matteson, K. Webster, Diane Punke, John Frederick, Tyler Baseley, Tim Henjey and Chris Dearth.

Absent: Jim Hintze

The December 12, 2023 Board minutes were presented for review. **D. Hammen made a motion to approve December 12, 2023 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.**

The December 12, 2023 Community development minutes were presented for review. **K. Webster made a motion to approve December 12, 2023 Community development minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by J. Matteson. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.**

The December 20, 2023 Community development minutes were presented for review. **D. Punke made a motion to approve December 20, 2023 Community development minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.**

The Bills for December 26, 2022 were presented for review. **D. Misener made a motion to approve and pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, J. Hintze-Yes. Motion carried.**

The Bills for January 9, 2023 were presented for review. **D. Hammen made a motion to approve and pay the bills as presented with the addition of Maguire Iron for \$5,908.00. The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.**

Treasurer

M. White presented the November Treasurer Report for approval. **D. Punke made a motion to approve the November 2022 Treasurer report as presented.**

The park donations are at \$13,080.00.

There are no CD's due until April.

The December 2022 Treasurer report was presented for review.

Secretary:

K. Marques reported that the U/C rate has increased from .74 to 1.35%. The IMRF employer rate has decreased from 19.16 to 16.71%.

The end of year taxes are completed and W2s are ready for distribution.

There was an error with LGHP insurance, they enrolled Maleah in the wrong plan and did not enroll Keenan. Both issues have been resolved.

We are still not receiving regular bills from Dynegy and only receive them when there are several delinquent accounts. I have contacted them several times about this issue and not seem to get it resolved.

Several of our checks have been “lost” in the mail.

Public Comment:

K. Webster said she has been contacted by several concerned residents regarding someone residing at the Fire house. The Board discussed the issue. J. Marques said there were certain regulations that needed to be followed to have EMTs at the ambulance building overnight. The Fire house does not have a shower or separate sleeping quarters to accommodate over night shifts. There was also discussion about the legal issues that could arise as well as the department of labor violations. The Board discussed this being a Fire Board issue, but it is not being addressed. There was discussion about who should be contacted.

President:

J. Marques informed the Board that our Auditor Brian Zabel has stopped doing government audits and he is currently seeking for bids for our future audits.

J. Marques and C. Dearth have been reviewing the comcast contract which is due for renewal. They will be meeting tomorrow to discuss the franchise agreement.

Jeff has been contacted by Cenergy Solar and they met with Jeff and Chris to discuss putting a 20–30-acre solar farm in Mazon. There will be some benefits to the Village if this is approved.

Jeff and Chris will be working on the Surf Air wireless agreement coming up for renewal.

Committees:

K. Webster gave the Board a briefing and recommendations of the Personnel committee held earlier today. **D. Misener made a motion to increase the hourly wage of John Frederick from \$29.00 to \$31.00 per hour retroactive to January 1, 2023. The motion was seconded by D. Hammen. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.**

D. Misener made a motion to increase the hourly wage of Tyler Baseley from \$30.00 per hour to \$32.00 per hour retroactive to January 1, 2023. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.

D. Misener made a motion to give Kim Marques an additional 5 days (40) hours of sick pay and an additional 5 days (40) hours of vacation time in lieu of additional compensation. The motion was seconded by K. Webster. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

None at this time.

New Business:

M. White explained the new website and the process to get it operational. Dalton and she will have a 1 hour training on Thursday to get the site up and running. D. Misener said the old site will go away when the new site is live. **D. Hammen made a motion to approve the new website expense with municipal impact. The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, D. Hammen-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.**

J. Marques presented information for the need of two new ordinances one for Franchise agreements and one for right of way standards. The Board agreed to have C. Dearth start a draft copy of the ordinance for the Board to review.

J. Marques will also be meeting with Rise Broad band to discuss them coming to Mazon.

Zoning:

T. Stiles was not present at the meeting. No new permit status sheet was presented for review.

Police:

T. Baseley read his report. He has received a \$500 grant from Casey's community grant.

- Working on grants for new equipment (Police ballistic shield, community cameras and stop sticks)
- Working on follow up investigations regarding thefts and minor vandalism within the Village
- Waiting for Body Worn Camera reimbursement portal to open

Public Works:

J. Frederick presented his report.

The relay for pump 2 at the lift station has been replaced by Ayers and is operational

We have received the fluoride pump from cardinal pump and will be installing it

Street light repairs will be done this week or next I'm still searching for 1 more replacement globe

Snow removal went well

Keenan replaced the downed stop sign on 7th and park st, He also replaced the doorknob at the park he has a multi part online class coming up to get him acquainted with small water systems

The doors at the hall and pump house have been replaced, Dave did an excellent job on them and saved us a substantial amount of money, he also fixed the door at the lab building free of charge

In the coming months my main focus is to understand and execute the lead copper survey that is due in April for the EPA

Attorney:

Nothing at this time.

Engineer:

Nothing at this time.

D. Misener made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm. The motion was seconded by D. Hammen. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, J. Matteson-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes. Motion carried.