

APPROVED MINUTES

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING
Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002
July 26, 2023**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gartner called the July 26, 2023 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:32pm at the Antioch Municipal Building located at 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL and via Zoom.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor and Board of Trustees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Burman Bluthardt, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen. Also present were Mayor Gartner, Attorney Vasselli and Deputy Clerk Mateja.

IV. ABSENT TRUSTEES WISHING TO ATTEND REMOTELY

There were no Trustees attending remotely.

V. MAYORAL REPORT

1. **Veteran's Committee Update** – Mayor Gartner informed the Board the Veteran's committee is currently working on a scale drawing of the memorial as well as the proposed funding for the project.
2. **Recognition of Village response to recent incident** – Mayor Gartner presented members of the Antioch First Fire District, Antioch Police Department and Antioch Village Hall with a certificate of recognition with great honor and appreciation for their commendable and dedicated service to the Village of Antioch community on July 16, 2023. The following individuals were honored:

<u>First Fire District</u>		<u>Police Department</u>		<u>Village Hall</u>
Noah	Adams	Audra	Bonaroti	Jim Moran
Marissa	Chartier	Jake	Bolton	
Joseph	DuShane	Geoff	Guttschow	
Ben	Fooden	Amanda	Macko	
Hannah	Lange	Jacob	Phares	
Yohana	Lara	Melissa	Recendiz	
Ed	Maluska	Charlie	Schultz	
Darren	Mihalic	Chuck	Smith	
Madison	Miller			
Andrew	Vroman			
Kylie	Wilson			

3. Mayor Gartner asked that everyone take a moment of sympathy for the passing of two individuals, former Village Attorney Ken Clark who served for over 20 years and for Mr. Phil Dahl who was heavily involvement in Rotary and Lions Club .
4. Mayor Gartner ask if any board members had an objection to changing the special event liquor license approved for Casa Ruiz on 8/3 to the VFW for that concert? No objections to this change.

VI. Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

There were no citizens wishing to address the board

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VII. Consent Agenda

Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

1. Approval of the July 12, 2023 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.
2. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a memorandum of agreement between the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council and the Village of Antioch, Illinois – Resolution No. 23-40
3. Approval of a Resolution authorizing the ACHS Annual Homecoming Parade to be held on October 12, 2023 – Resolution No. 23-41

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 0:

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VIII. REGULAR BUSINESS

4. Consideration and approval of payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of \$582,818.51

Trustee Bluthardt moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill, to approve payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of \$582,818.51

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 0:

THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. Consideration and approval of the annual Appropriation Ordinance – Ordinance No. 23-07-21

Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Bluthardt, to approve the annual Appropriation Ordinance – Ordinance No. 23-07-21, waiving the second reading.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 0:

THE MOTION CARRIED.

6. Consideration and approval of a Resolution approving a façade grant request from Oliverii North located at 384 Lake Street – Resolution No. 23-42

Trustee Bluthardt moved, seconded by Trustee Pedersen, to approve the Resolution approving a façade grant request from Oliverii North located at 384 Lake Street – Resolution No. 23-42.

Trustee Macek voiced concerns on the spending of the façade grant. Director Garrigan explained the program reimburses businesses 50% if approved with a cap on the total payout which would also be approved by the board. Trustee Pierce is concerned on allowing the businesses to split the grant up between multiple years and asked that we look further into allowing.

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Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 0:

THE MOTION CARRIED.

7. Consideration and approval of a Resolution providing an inducement to a developer and the Village in connection with the potential redevelopment of certain real property located in the Village of Antioch, Illinois – Resolution No. 23-43

Administrator Keim explained at the June 28, 2023 Village Board meeting, a resolution was approved to engage SB Friedman Development advisors to conduct a feasibility study for a potential TIF district in the Village of Antioch. Upon the conclusion of the TIF study, and if the project area is established, the Village may enter into a redevelopment agreement with a developer in order to incentivize potential redevelopment of the area. The proposed resolution provides that financial incentives agreed upon by the Village may be pledged with funds generated by the TIF in advance of the formation of the TIF. Fund expenditures must be eligible for reimbursement and are contingent on the establishment of the redevelopment project area.

Trustee Bluthardt moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve the Resolution providing an inducement to a developer and the Village in connection with the potential redevelopment of certain real property located in the Village of Antioch, Illinois – Resolution No. 23-43.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 0:

THE MOTION CARRIED.

IX. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Keim informed the Board of the following updates:

- The open space development is moving forward. ComEd is one of the first phases and they require a signed agreement as well as payment in order to move forward. This check request will be on the next Village Board agenda for approval.
- Treatment plant clarifier repairs are progressing, rebar is being installed in preparation for concrete pouring. Plant tours have been conducted to get input on other facilities and what recommendations they may suggest.
- Meet with Liberty Mutual, our insurance provider, to tour the buildings for recommendations on changes to avoid risks. When the report becomes available, I will present the findings to the board.
- Fourth of July follow-up meeting was held. A few minor adjustments will be made for next year but overall a success.
- Attended the Township's first strategic plan meeting. Went over well, sounds like the start of a good thing.
- Met with Mr. Poulson on what steps need to be taken to get back in business as soon as possible. He has been in business here in Antioch for over 40 years. Thankful no one was injured.

X. VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

No report.

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XI. **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** COMMUNICATIONS, PARKS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRUSTEE REPORTS

COMMUNICATIONS: Communication Manger, Jim Moran, provided the following:

- Friday groundbreaking for the Open Space Development. The big event will be the ribbon cutting next year.
- August 25th the Chamber Golf Outing – Northern Illinois Mayor’s Cup
- Wanted to commend the Police department for the fast communication and assistance on the Chambers Taste of Summer accident. This allowed us to get accurate information out to the news as well as social media immediately.
- Little Bean owner, Angela, was interviewed earlier this month on Fox News regarding an event the local businesses organized called Where’s Waldo. Bringing nice visibility to the market as well as a positive look to our town.
- WXRT decades weekend concert event earlier this month was a success.
- Moving forward, the concerts and special events will now be organized by our Business Development Manager, Mark Sural.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT: Business Development Manager, Mark Sural, provided the following:

- Upcoming events
 - Laser Light Show will be held on September 8th & 9th at Osmond Park. No cost to the Village.
 - Ghost tour through town.
 - St Patty’s Day 5K at Osmond Park.
- Business Opportunities
 - A few projects are currently in the works but too soon to mention. Will keep the board updated as things progress.

PARKS: Director of Parks and Recreation, Mary Quilty, provided the following:

- Thank you, Mayor and Trustee, for meeting with the Park Commission last week. I look forward to adding 3 new members and making productive progress in Parks and Recreation.
- I want to clarify, the tree by the flagpole at the Scout House was trimmed the first week in July- a flag can fly.
- The Miss Antioch pageant will go off August 5 at 4:00 pm at the Antioch High School auditorium. There are 2 young ladies vying for Miss Antioch, 6 girls for Jr. Miss Antioch and 7 Little Miss Antioch contestants.
- As the end of summer is fast approaching, the summer staff is heading back to college or committed to sports or clubs. This will leave the aqua center short staffed at times, at those times the slide or diving well will close. Staff is hoping to have enough staff to keep the pool open weekdays up until the high school starts. Starting August 19, it will only be open on weekends until Labor Day.
- The Fall/Winter program guide will be in mailboxes the week of August 7. This brochure will cover programming dates of September to March.

PUBLIC WORKS: Director Public Works, Dennis Heimbrodt, provided the following:

- Crews have been working throughout the parks raising tree canopies and clearing brush.
- Repairs have been made to Centennial Park equipment. Since that is a wooden structure, it does require additional maintenance.
- Repairs have also been made throughout the wetland area off Skidmore.
- New pickle ball court at Jensen park
- Traffic paint continues throughout downtown. The Village has been working with the county to complete the traffic painting.
- Crosswalks painting has been completed.
- The treatment plant hosted a 4 hour IL AWWA training seminar for surrounding communities.

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TRUSTEES:

Trustee Pierce:

- The new Antioch Community High School's electronic sign is very nice just concerned it is too bright and distracting when traveling down main street at night.
- The fence surrounding the construction on Main and Orchard is blocking visibility in some areas, if we can have them adjust it slightly.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees regular meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Mateja
Village Deputy Clerk