

# APPROVED MINUTES

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING**  
Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois  
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002  
August 9, 2023

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Gartner called the August 9, 2023 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:31pm 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, Administrator Keim\* and Clerk Romine.

*\*indicates attendance via Zoom*

## **IV. Absent Trustees Wishing to Attend Remotely**

There were no objections to Trustee Pedersen attending remotely.

## **V. Mayoral Report**

Mayor Gartner announced that Jim Moran recently achieved a certificate in public administration from Northern Illinois University as a part of his ongoing masters program.

Mayor Gartner said that August is Back to School Safety Month, and encouraged parents and children to help ensure safety when traveling to and from school.

## **Citizens Wishing to Address the Board**

There were no citizens wishing to address the board.

## **VI. Consent Agenda**

Trustee Macek moved, seconded by Trustee Bluthardt, to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

1. Approval of the July 26, 2023 Regular Meeting and Committee of the Whole Minutes as presented.
2. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the necessary expenses for the Mayor, Elected Officials, and staff to attend the 2023 Illinois Municipal League Annual Conference - *Resolution No. 23-44*
3. Approval of a Resolution adopting the 2022 Lake County All-Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan - *Resolution No. 23-45*
4. Approval of a Resolution authorizing a special event liquor license for the Village of Antioch Fall Wine Walk to be held on September 23, 2023; waiving all fees - *Resolution No. 23-46*
5. Approval of a Resolution approving a waiver of fees for the Antioch Fire Protection District - *Resolution No. 23-47*

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NO: 0.**

**ABSENT: 0.**

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## **VII. Regular Business**

**6. Consideration and approval of payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of \$201,935.16** – Trustee Macek moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve payment of accounts payable in the amount of \$201,935.16. 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 an Ordinance adopting by reference the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance** – Trustee Macek moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve **Ordinance No. 23-08-22**, adopting by reference the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance, waiving the second reading. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NO: 0.**

**ABSENT: 0.**

**ABSTAIN: 1:** Pierce.

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

## **VIII. Administrator's Report**

Administrator Keim discussed the increased cost of underground utilities for the open space project at Main and Depot. He reported on the status of the clarifier repair, and said we did receive a check in the amount of \$591,000 from the insurer. Once all expenditures are finalized it will be sent to the insurer for final payment. Administrator Keim reported on an electronic vehicle charging station to be donated and placed on Toft. Trustee Macek asked if a municipal parking lot could be considered for the location instead.

Administrator Keim discussed a meeting with Lake County and Canadian National regarding the need for improvements at the North Avenue railroad crossing. This roadway is under the jurisdiction of Lake County, and he discussed the parties to the agreement for the quiet zone.

Administrator Keim spoke about the Brown Avenue area, and discussions with developers. He updated the Board on the progression of work on Grimm Road, and a meeting regarding the road program. He also discussed the onboarding of the new Assistant Village Administrator at the end of the month.

Administrator Keim presented the request for a road closure of Lake Street for an event at the Antioch Theater. There were no objections to the road closure, which will be brought back before the board at the next meeting.

## **IX. Village Clerk's Report**

**ILEPA Annual Facility Inspection Report for NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4)** – Clerk Romine advised the Board that one of the annual tasks recommended by the IEPA, and included in the Village of Antioch Stormwater Management Protection Plan, is to present this annual report at a public meeting. No action is required, and any questions on the report may be directed to the Village Administrator.

## **X. Department Reports: Community Development, Finance, Police**

Finance Director Torres reported on the upcoming audit August 21. She also reviewed the monthly reports provided to the Village Board, which includes a new line for arbitrage calculations. She discussed the bond interest that is required to be calculated at a later date, which she has begun to record on the financial statements for the audit to be proactive.

Chief Guttschow is working with D34 on their request for a school resource officer, which may be accommodated second semester next year or the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year. He reported on the recent passage of the Safety Act, and meetings regarding the homeless population in Antioch, and lack of

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resources in the area. He reported on work anniversaries in the department, and provided data on opioid abuse in the county. He announced the onboarding of the new full time community service officer who will begin at the end of the month. Finally, he presented the interest of a local non-profit to assist in obtaining a comfort dog for staff.

### **XI. Trustee Reports**

None.

### **XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel and Pending Litigation, Lease of Village Property, Collective Bargaining**

– Trustee Bluthardt moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to enter into executive session at 6:54pm to discuss pending litigation. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NO: 0.**

**ABSENT: 0.**

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Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to exit executive session at 7:33pm with no action taken. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NO: 0.**

**ABSENT: 0.**

**THE MOTION CARRIED.**

### **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees regular meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lori K. Romine, RMC/CMC  
Village Clerk