

APPROVED MINUTES

VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING
Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002
November 29, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gartner called the November 29, 2023 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:37pm 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, Macek and Pedersen. Also present were Mayor Gartner, Attorney Vasselli, and Clerk Romine. Absent: Trustee Pierce.

**indicates attendance via Zoom.*

IV. Absent Trustees Wishing to Attend Remotely

There were no objections to Trustee Bluthardt attending remotely.

V. Mayoral Report –

Acknowledgements – Mayor Gartner recognized Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day December 7, and Hanukkah December 7-15, 2023.

1. Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing a retirement agreement between the Village of Antioch and James Keim -Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve **Resolution No. 23-75** authorizing a retirement agreement between the Village of Antioch and James Keim.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. Appoint Geoffrey Guttschow as Acting Administrator – Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to confirm the appointment of Geoffrey Guttschow as Acting Administrator.

Trustee Macek discussed the pay. Mayor Gartner commented that the position will be compensated.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. Police Officer Oath of Office:

- **Officer Connor Jannick**
- **Officer Jeffrey Melinyshyn**
- **Officer Patrick Conrad**

Chief Guttschow provided an overview of each candidate, and Clerk Romine administered the oath of office to each officer individually.

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Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

None.

VI. Consent Agenda

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

1. Approval of the November 8, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes, and November 17, 2023 and November 22, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes as presented.
2. Approval of Corporate Authorities Resolutions for Heartland Bank and Trust and State Bank of the Lakes- Resolution No. 23-76 & 23-77
3. Approval of a Resolution authorizing a special event liquor license for the Village of Antioch Winter Wine Walk on January 20, 2024, waiving all fees - Resolution No. 23-78

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VII. Regular Business

4. Consideration and approval of payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of \$441,621.28 – Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve payment of accounts payable in the amount of \$441,621.28. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. Consideration and approval of a Resolution accepting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2023 – Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve **Resolution No. 23-69** accepting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2023. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

6. Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of the Municipal Compliance Report for Fiscal Year ended April 30, 2023 – Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve **Resolution No. 23-70** authorizing the acceptance of the Municipal Compliance Report for Fiscal Year ended April 30, 2023 to the next meeting. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

7. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance amending Sections 4-2B-6 and 4-14-4 of the Antioch Village Code to require liquor license applicants and tobacco license applicants within the Village of Antioch, Illinois to refrain from selling products containing Delta-8 THC and Kratom - Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill, to approve **Ordinance No. 23-11-32** amending Sections 4-2B-6 and 4-14-4 of the Antioch Village Code to require liquor license applicants and tobacco license applicants within the Village of Antioch, Illinois to refrain from selling products containing Delta-8 THC and Kratom.

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Attorney Vasselli clarified that this is a condition of licensure.

Mr. Howard Duplinski, representing the owner of Shop & Save, said he reviewed the video of the previous meeting, and said he understands the concerns raised by the Board. He commented that banning licensees from selling these two products will have a detrimental effect on businesses in the community, and asked for a less restrictive means for accomplishing the goals to address the concerns of the Board. He discussed the bill in Springfield attempting to regulate the products in question. He recommended different restrictions be considered.

Trustee Macek discussed the responsibility of the Board to protect the public safety of the Village as a whole.

Trustee Pedersen responded stating their fight is in Springfield and not with the Village of Antioch, and the Village Board is doing what is possible at this level.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

ABSTAIN: 1: Burman.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

8. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance adding one more Class “A” Full Service Restaurant and Class “A-1” Outdoor Restaurant Liquor License for 15 Lakes Restaurant LLC d/b/a 15 Lakes Prime Steakhouse located at 919 Main Street - Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve **Ordinance No. 23-11-33** adding one more Class “A” Full Service Restaurant and Class “A-1” Outdoor Restaurant Liquor License for 15 Lakes Restaurant LLC d/b/a 15 Lakes Prime Steakhouse located at 919 Main Street, waiving the second reading.

Mayor Gartner recused himself from the meeting at 7:00pm, and Trustee Macek chaired the meeting.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Gartner returned from the meeting at 7:02pm.

9. Consideration and approval of a Resolution approving a Site Plan for real property located at the address commonly known as 882 Anita Ave; PIN 02-08-404-012 - Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve **Resolution No. 23-79** approving a Site Plan for real property located at the address commonly known as 882 Anita Ave; PIN 02-08-404-012. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

10. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance granting a variance from rear and side yard setbacks at 882 Anita Ave; PIN 02-08-404-012 - Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill, to approve **Ordinance No. 23-11-34** granting a variance from rear and side yard setbacks at 882 Anita Ave; PIN 02-08-404-012, waiving the second reading.

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Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

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11. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance granting a variance to allow an antenna support structure at 41133 N Route 83; PIN 02-14-400-025 - Trustee Macek moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill, to approve **Ordinance No. 23-11-35** granting a variance to allow an antenna support structure at 41133 N Route 83; PIN 02-14-400-025, waiving the second reading. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 1: Burman.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

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12. Consideration and approval of a Resolution for the Determination of the Amounts of Money Estimated to be Necessary to be Raised By Taxation For The Year of 2023 (Collected in 2024) Upon The Taxable Property in The Village of Antioch, Pursuant to Section 18-60 of The Truth In Taxation Law –

Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve **Resolution No. 23-80** for the Determination of the Amounts of Money Estimated to be Necessary to be Raised By Taxation For The Year of 2023

(Collected in 2024) Upon The Taxable Property in The Village of Antioch, Pursuant to Section 18-60 of The Truth In Taxation Law. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

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VIII. Administrator's Report

None.

IX. Village Clerk's Report

Clerk Romine reported that Groot is out this week conducting leaf vacuuming services, and will make their 4th pass through the Village next week.

X. Department Reports: Communications, Parks, Public Works

Communication Manager Jim Moran discussed "Antioch Day" on WGN radio tomorrow. There is also a promotion to shop Antioch during the holiday season. He discussed the pictures posted on Facebook of the holiday parade, which appears to have reached more people than were in attendance at the parade. He also added that Christmas music is playing downtown during the holiday season. He is working with Assistant Administrator Eccles on a naming contest for the open space redevelopment, and discussed the newsletter distributed to residents. Trustee Macek suggested more promotion of the Police Department.

Parks Director Quilty thanked the Mayor and Trustees for leading the parade, and announced there were a number of decorated floats. The next community event is the festival of trees at the Sawmill, and decorating contest. She also discussed the upcoming Santa visits.

Public Works Director Heimbrodt discussed the Open Space Redevelopment, stating the stone work has commenced, and bridge walls are being poured this week, with the bridge deck in the next coming weeks. He said 60% of the stone work at the creek is completed. He discussed the movement of the transformer, and how it has affected the clock tower. He discussed the completion of the road program, and the status of well #9. It appears as though the pump and motor are bad, and he will have to have further discussions with the contractor on how to proceed. Director Heimbrodt provided an update on the clarifier, and will work on a final pay request with Strand. He provided an update on the quiet zone, and the most recent communication from

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Buffalo Grove stating they received the FRA inspection report, and identified a handful of issues, but none that are the responsibility of the Village of Antioch. Once those are completed, certification may be done. He announced that he has been actively involved in looking to update the fleet, and has received confirmation from a dealership of vehicles becoming available. He intends to bring those vehicles to the next Board meeting for approval.

XI. Trustee Reports

None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees regular meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Romine, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk