

VILLAGE OF LOAMI
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
July 11, 2024

ROLL CALL

TRUSTEES

Jay Branson	PRESENT
Stephen Grider	PRESENT
Todd Lawson	ABSENT
Rose Mann	PRESENT
Greg Patterson	PRESENT
Aaron Pippin	PRESENT

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Steven Lambert, Mayor	PRESENT
Carissa Grider, Village Clerk	PRESENT
Brad Colantino, Treasurer	PRESENT
Stan Workman, Chief of Police	PRESENT
Anthony Schuering, Village Attorney	PRESENT
Troy Snider, Police Officer	PRESENT

Mayor Lambert opened the Regular Board Meeting up at 6 PM.

MAYOR UPDATE: Mayor Lambert thanked the volunteers on the 4th of July celebration committee for their hard work and stated the event had a great turnout.

Mayor Lambert encouraged the trustees to look over the village ordinances, especially the ones that apply to the departments that they oversee.

Mayor Lambert gave an update on the reservoir beautification. Mayor Lambert stated that Benton & Associates reached out to William Roesch in regards to a grant opportunity from IDNR. William Roesch gave a memo to Mayor Lambert of the highlights of the grant and suggestions of how to use the funds.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Colantino presented the June 2024 treasurer's report to the board for approval. Trustee Pippin made a motion to accept the report as presented to the board. Trustee Patterson seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion carried. Roll call – Branson – Aye, Grider – Aye, Patterson – Aye, Pippin- Aye, Nay – 0.

Treasurer Colantino presented the Annual Treasurer's report for fiscal year ending April 30, 2024. Trustee Patterson made a motion to accept the report as presented to the board. Trustee Branson seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion carried. Roll call – Branson – Aye, Grider – Aye, Patterson – Aye, Pippin- Aye, Nay – 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Clerk Grider presented the June 13, 2024, Regular Board Meeting minutes for approval. Trustee Patterson made a motion to approve the minutes. Trustee Grider seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS: Clerk Grider presented the unpaid bills to the board for approval. Trustee Patterson made a motion to approve the unpaid bills as presented to the board. Trustee Branson seconded the motion. Vote taken; motion carried. Roll call – Branson – Aye, Grider – Aye, Patterson – Aye, Pippin- Aye, Nay – 0.

VISITORS:

Frank Lesko who currently is the City Clerk for Springfield, Illinois introduced himself to the board members and stated he is running for Sangamon County Recorder for the November 2024 general election.

OLD BUSINESS:**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chief Workman asked for the board members to approve the increase of payroll for the Police Department. Chief Workman stated he would like to be competitive with other Police Departments in the area. Chief Workman stated there is a lot of dedicated guys on the department. Trustee Patterson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-04 An Ordinance Establishing the Rate of Pay For Employees of the Village of Loami's Police Department and Other Actions in Connection Therewith. Trustee Branson seconded the motion. Roll call – Branson – Aye, Grider – Aye, Patterson – Aye, Pippin- Aye, Nay – 0.

Clerk Grider reminded the board that the Senior Dinner is on Saturday, August 3rd.

Clerk Grider stated that the process has begun to participate in IMRF for village employees. Trustee Patterson asked if once we participate can we get out of the participation. Clerk Grider stated "no".

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

PARKS – Trustee Patterson stated there is nothing to report. Trustee Grider stated he would like to see about getting a water hookup by the bathrooms for the food vendors on the 4th of July celebration. Trustee Pippin stated he got with Kyle Langenfeld, Public Works Superintendent regarding signs at the park. Kyle has ordered them and will be putting them up soon.

STREETS DEPARTMENT – Trustee Pippin stated he received a bid for the square to add more parking. Trustee Pippin stated that he would like to add "No Parking" sign by the dumpsters at Town Hall Pub. Trustee Pippin stated he would like to explore other parking materials. Mayor Lambert asked if this project would only add 2 more parking spaces.

Trustee Pippin said the sidewalk on Meachum Street looks good and will not need to be replaced. He stated there is a tree stump in the way that will need to be removed and he will talk with Kyle Langenfeld regarding this.

Trustee Pippin said there is a speeding problem on East Street, Chief Workman said he is aware of the problem and patrols this area frequently.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief Workman stated the 4th of July celebration went well and busy. He would like to buy more cones to help with parking for next year.

Sergeant Dillon gave an update on the speed trailer. He stated the price wasn't correct that was originally quoted to him. He said the company has a demo model for half the price of a new one. The price should be under \$4,000.00 for the demo speed trailer, and they should have it in a few weeks. Treasurer Colantino asked if Loami PD vehicles will be used to drive to get the speed trailer and Sergeant Dillon stated they will be taking their personal vehicles.

Sergeant Dillion stated the police department will be getting fitted for new vests and body cameras.

Chief Workman stated the police department was busy for the month of June. Chief Workman submitted the Police Report to the board, which is on file at the Clerk's office.

PERMITS – Trustee Mann stated two (2) permits were issued for June.

DELINQUENT BILLS – Trustee Grider stated there were three (3) shutoffs for the month of June.

WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT – Trustee Grider the new man lid was installed at the pump house on Main Street. He also stated we are waiting on bids for the sewer lagoon upgrades of motors and electrical.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Trustee Patterson stated there is a need for phones for the public to contact village employees in case of an emergency. Sergeant Dillon stated the police department need to get phones in order to take pictures for evidence.

With no further business at hand, Trustee Pippin made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting; Trustee Mann seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The next regular board meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Thursday, August 8, 2024.

Respectively Submitted,
Carissa E. Grider, Village Clerk