

Village of Mazon Board Minutes
September 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm on September 9, 2024

Present were: Jeff Marques, Melanie Murphy, Dalton Misener, Kirk Houchin, Kris Webster, Diane Punke, Ed Emrich, John Frederick, Larry Pastick, Tim Stiles, Chris Dearth, Tim Hejny

Tim Hejny left the meeting early.

Absent were: Rachel Carrell

Guest: Elizabeth Partridge

The minutes for August 26, 2024, were presented for approval. **D. Misener made a motion to approve the August 26, 2024, minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

The bill list for September 9, 2024, was presented for approval. **D. Misener made a motion to approve the bill list for September 9, 2024, as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Punke. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

Treasurer:

The August 2024 Treasurer Report was presented for review.

Secretary:

Nothing at this time.

Public Comment:

Elizabeth Partridge was present to discuss her water bill after a leak was discovered and repaired. This caused a large amount of water usage. Her average bill is \$97.26 per month and after the leak her bill was \$365.35. **K. Houchin made a motion to make a one-time adjustment to her account from \$365.35 to her average bill of \$97.26. This would result in a forgiveness of \$ 268.09 on her water bill. The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.**

D. Punke asked J. Frederick if the hose located across the sidewalk at 513 7th St has been removed. J. Frederick informed her that it had not. M. Murphy stated that she called the number on file of property owner and received no call back. She will send out a letter regarding the issue.

President:

J. Marques presented a thank you letter from GEDC thanking the Village for their support. He also reported that he spoke with the president of the Park Foundation and they will have their Annual Bike Ride on October 12, 2024. He stated the Motor Fuel street repairs will begin tomorrow. J. Marques informed the board that the Grundy Eunoia Wellness Center will host a ribbon cutting and open house on October 17, 2024 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. D. Punke questioned the parking spot at the wellness center at the corner of Grand Ridge and Depot closest to the corner. Punke

stated parking a vehicle there creates a blind spot and hazard. J. Marques said he will speak with them regarding this issue. J. Marques also stated that a business and liquor license application have been submitted by Breaktime Corner Market. They will be taking over the Minit Mart next week and he requested a Liquor Committee Meeting to review application. Meeting set for September 12, 2024.

Committee Reports:

Nothing at this time.

Old Business:

Nothing at this time.

New Business:

Nothing at this time.

Director of Public Works:

J. Frederick reported that the John Deere had an issue that could not be resolved by public works so it was taken in for repair. They determined the right brake seal was blown. Repair was done and the cost was \$2192.96. He reported the service truck was at Monroe's for crane repair. It was fixed and picked up last week. He informed the board that Marc rebuilt the bench in front of the fire department. Even though it does not belong to the Village, it needed a face lift. He also stated the lift station was rebuilt and the roof on the Village Hall is currently being tarred.

Chief of Police:

L. Pastick reported to the board. He stated there have been 72 traffic stops this year to date. "Cool To Be Safe" activity books were handed out at MVK Elementary School. He also reported that he has been working later hours and will continue to do so.

Zoning:

J. Marques stated the Village was contacted about a zoning certificate for the property located at 708 7th St. The board discussed some concerns about property being turned into an apartment building.

Engineer:

J. Marques stated again that the MF project starts tomorrow morning.

Attorney:

Nothing at this time.

D. Punke made a motion at 6:26 to enter into executive session.

- 1. "Executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) regarding litigation that is pending probable, or imminent, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of a particular public body is pending before a court or administrative tribunal"**
- 2. "Executive session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) to discuss the employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.**
- 3. "Executive session closed under the open meetings act, for the purpose of approval by the body of the minutes and the semi-annual review of the minutes pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 C 21 and 5 ILCS 120/2.06"**

The motion was seconded by D. Misener. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.

D. Misener made a motion to reconvene the regular session at 7:04 pm. The motion was seconded by K. Webster. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.

K. Houchin asked about the Financial Committee meeting. He was told the meeting scheduled for September 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm was cancelled and will be rescheduled.

J. Marques also informed the board that Jim Pozzi from Republic would like to address the board regarding the upcoming contract renewal/bid. The board discussed if it was needed and they agreed it was not necessary.

D. Misener made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:11. The motion was seconded by K. Webster. Roll was taken; D. Misener-Yes, K. Houchin-Yes, K. Webster-Yes, D. Punke-Yes, E. Emrich-Yes. Motion carried.