

**MINUTES
FOR THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF ORLAND HILLS, ILLINOIS
For January 4, 2023**

President Hastings called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Clerk Iannantone, called the roll with the following results. Present: President Hastings, Trustees: Roti (Electronically), Janachowski (Electronically), Petrey, Hastings II, Morrison (Electronically), Kissane (Electronically), Administrator O'Neill, Chief Blaha (Electronically), Public Works Director Hanley (Electronically), Police Department Administrator Haleem (Electronically), Recreation Assistant Radney, EMA Director Leddin (Electronically), Treasurer Kowalski

Excused: Village Attorney, Rec Director Bilina

Absent: None

With a quorum having been established, President Hastings led the Pledge of Allegiance and the salute to the flag.

President's Report: President Hastings

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, this meeting will be held by audio conference and a physical quorum may not be present. At this time, I would like to verify that all members participating remotely can be heard by everyone and that they can hear each other.

This was verified.

I would also like to verify that everyone physically present in the Boardroom can hear the discussion and testimony.

This was verified.

Clerk's Report: Clerk Iannantone

Clerk Iannantone requested support of a motion to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing of the Village President and the Board of Trustees for Dec 21, 2022, as presented.

A motion was made by Trustee Hastings II, and seconded by Trustee Petrey

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Janachowski, Petrey, Morrison, Hastings II, Kissane

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

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Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Administrator's Report: Administrator O'Neill – No Report

*****COMMITTEE REPORTS*****

Finance: Trustee Petrey

Trustee Petrey motioned, seconded by Trustee Hastings II, to approve Warrant #22-23-34 being all regular bill payments for this period, which report is titled as "Miscellaneous Accounts Payable", and which report is dated January 4th, 2023 in the amount of \$107,159.98 as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Janachowski, Petrey, Morrison, Hastings II, Kissane

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

Development, Planning & Zoning Trustee Kissane-No report

Police & Fire: Trustee Hastings II-No report

Public Works: Trustee Janachowski -No report

Youth, Education and Recreation: Trustee Morrison

Economic Development/ Environmental: Trustee Roti-No Report

Special Events: Trustee Hastings II-No report

Trustee Hastings II thanked the Village staff for all their hard work during the holiday events in December.

Audience Comments:

Annamarie Dusing asked for an update on the Lake Lorin Project.

Mayor Hastings gave an explanation on the timeline of events and asked Administrator O'Neill to provide more details. Administrator O'Neill offered the following comments:

Lake Lorin:

- Delayed in 2021 due to the lake not being deep enough – the end result would not have allowed for a habitat that would support fishing. Hence, the decision was made to dredge the lake and there was not enough time in 2021 to complete that.
- Village decided to purchase the Christian Hills property on the north side of town and build a park in 2021. The Village needed/wanted clay material at the Christian Hills property to properly build the park. In order to move the Lake Lorin clay material from there to C Hills, a Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) permit was required. That MWRD permit was not issued by that regulatory agency until the end of Oct 2022.
- By planning to export clay from Lake Lorin to C Hills instead of needing to import clay from another source to C Hills, and not needing to export the Lake Lorin material to a land fill, the Village saved between \$500K and \$1M.
- Ultimately, the delay of the permit issuance by MWRD, and Mother Nature, are the cause of the project not being completed yet.
- In anticipation of the permit eventually being issued by MWRD that was required to move the LL material to C Hills, the contractor continued to de-water the lake throughout the fall. It is the delay of the permit being issued that made it appear that the contractor dropped the ball.

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- A one inch rain event in mid Oct and another in late Oct, coupled with a half inch rain event in late Nov just about knocked us out of the box for a CY 2022 completion. A half inch rain event in early Dec and a one and a quarter inch rain event in mid Dec put the final nail in the coffin for a 2022 completion.
- The Village has a contract with the contractor. It is not paying them for work not being done.
- Major steps to be completed in 2023:
- Dewater the lake as early as possible in 2023....could be difficult due to spring rains.
- Export 8,000 cubic yards of material from LL and deliver to C Hills
- Regrade and resod the area of the path between the path and the ledge rock.
- mill off and replace the asphalt of the walking path

There were two other residents in attendance who had the same concerns and questions. They asked the Village to speak to the contractor about having their 3 machines removed from the area since their work is on hold during the winter months. Mayor Hastings instructed O'Neill to contact the contractor.

Old Business: None

Closed Session: None

Adjournment:

With no further business to be heard, Trustee Hastings II motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 PM, seconded by Trustee Petrey.

Ayes: Trustees Roti, Janachowski, Petrey, Morrison, Hastings II, Kissane

Nays: None

Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED

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Jen Iannantone
VILLAGE CLERK