



**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2023
28 S DRAKE AVE
CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI 64119**

Those in attendance: Chairman Terry Bradich, Trustee Mark Benton, Trustee Larry Barrera, Trustee Renee Hoppe, Trustee David Jett, Village Clerk Melody Wymore, Police Chief Matt Coonce, Fire Chief Steve Shaumeyer

Chairman Bradich called to recess the Regular Meeting of August 28, 2023, at 7:00 PM. Trustee Barrera motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Jett. Roll call, All yeas. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich called the Regular Meeting of September 11, 2023, to order at 7:00 PM.

Police Chief Coonce led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence for those we lost in the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001.

Trustee Jett motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 28, 2023, seconded by Trustee Benton. Roll call, All yeas. Motion carried.

Trustee Benton motioned to approve the Payment of Bills for August 26, 2023-September 11, 2023, seconded by Trustee Hoppe. Roll call, All yeas. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Police Chief Coonce shared that Clay Co. closed their jail for renovations. With this, we haven't been able to keep people in custody. He will be meeting with the under-sheriff of Clinton County later this week to see if we can house people in Clinton Co. May cost a bit more than Clay Co. May be worth it to know that we have a place to send people. He added that they are preparing for the strike at Ford. We have added officers on the upcoming weekend. Trustee Jett asked if the extra coverage was on overtime. It is not. Trustee Jett added that if Ford wants extra coverage, they need to pay for it. Claycomo should not have to pay for their strike.

Village Clerk Wymore spoke with Evergy about the streetlights suggested for Park Street. Cost is \$11.30 per light, per month. No Installation fees. Trustee Barrera added that pole #252575

would only cost the resident an extra \$10 per month. He personally saw the need for added light there.

EDC reminds of the upcoming Business appreciation event on Sept 28.

No representative from Zoning Board.

Trustee Barrera brought for discussion the Stop sign and the Speed Limit sign that were covered by tree branches. Chairman Bradach shared that Public Works trimmed the tree back for the Stop sign and the Speed Limit sign needs to be straightened out. Public works is working on fixing that as we don't have a sign to replace it. Trustee Barrera reminds of Stream Team Clean Up on Sept 23. He will not be able to attend. He encourages everybody to help with that event. This one will be at Claycomo Plaza (for Randolph).

Trustee Jett also asked for volunteer residents for Stream Team Clean up.

Trustee Hoppe wanted to know if Cozy Apps, LLC sent their "House Rules". Village Clerk Wymore added that he did and that it was sent to Zoning Board. Trustee Barrera thanked her for bringing a bin for donations for the pantry.

Chairman Bradich had no old business.

There was no old business from residents.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Coonce had no new business.

Village Clerk had no new business.

Public Works had no new business.

EDC had no new business.

Zoning Board had no new business.

Trustee Barrera had no new business.

Trustee Jett announced the Village wide Clean Up. There will be 3 dumpsters in City Hall parking lot on Saturday (Sept. 16). He and Chairman Bradich and Public Works will be helping with that event. If you want items picked up from your residents, you must call and schedule a pickup. He added that there were issues with trash on Lowell and Riley, last week. He shared his joy with the pantry.

Trustee Benton shared that the Car Show planning is coming along great. Ma & Pa's have signed up to be a food vendor and will be providing a menu soon. He invites everyone to join, support and enjoy! He added that the pantry is a huge success.

Trustee Hoppe would like to see about offering the Newsletter in an electronic version.

Chairman Bradich advises everyone to be careful driving on 69 highway, with the strike at Ford going on. He also spoke with our attorney about who he would refer us to hire for negotiations with the potential new owner of Claycomo Plaza. Mr. Kapke recommended Mr. Lauber. He will be representing us with tax relief. EDC left word that the Dentist office in Claycomo Plaza is considering leaving. Chairman Bradach left word with the new owner to reach out to them.

Chairman Bradich opened the floor to new business from residents.

Kim, with CCA shared that they received their 501c3 from the IRS. Donations to the pantry can be tax deductible now. Just provide your receipt so they can make your donation for the correct amount. Hoping that more businesses will be able to donate now. She is trying to partner with another Pantry who is partners with Costo and CVS. They are need of volunteers for the pantry. MARC has billions of dollars coming out soon. We should have a representative from Claycomo there. Date will be in December, and it will be held at Kauffman.

A resident asked about the Evergy pole replacement project. Chairman Bradich spoke to a representative from Evergy, this week that told him that they should be done in the next 2 weeks. They will put all the poles in, then they will string the new wires. Then they will come back and clean it all up. They used foam in the pole holes, this time instead of filling them with dirt. These poles should last a good long time. The resident also asked about Stream Team Clean Up. He has a neighbor that would like to get involved and include their grandchildren. She asked him what happens if they are injured in the creek. Village Clerk Wymore explained that there is a waiver that volunteers sign before getting in the creek. Can you give cash donations to the pantry? Kim said you can, but they would like you tell them what you want to provide with your donation. He asked if the cash donations can be made to City Hall. You would need to get a hold of Kim or somebody else with the Pantry. City Hall can not handle donations for the non-profit. She can be reached on their pantry's Facebook page. You may also donate towards Admin costs. Just mark your donation as "Admin". Trustee Benton suggested they get a PO Box.

Fire Chief Shaumeyer arrived. He had no old business.

Chairman Bradich opened for discussion Bill #3055 MODOT agreement for job #J4P3465, for the sidewalks and the bridge. The bill gives Chairman Bradich and Chairman Pro-Tem Benton authorization to make decisions on behalf of the Village for this job. Trustee Barrera motioned that Bill #3055 become Ordinance #3054. Trustee Jett seconded. Roll call, All yeas. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Shaumeyer shared that he has two full-time vacancies. One for a paramedic, one for Fire Fighter/EMT. He expects those positions to be filled in the next couple of weeks. Chairman

Bradich asked about the progress on repairs to the fire station. Chief Shaumeyer informed that the company is waiting for their delivery of materials.

Chairman Bradich brought Wedded Bliss Ceremonies sign permit for discussion. It was decided that more information was needed for approval.

There is no reason to go into an executive meeting.

Trustee Barrera motioned to recess the regular meeting of September 11, 2023. Seconded by Trustee Benton. All yeas. Motion carried.

Village Clerk Melody Wymore

Chairman of the Board Terry Bradich