



**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2024
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, Deputy Village Clerk Tammy Hamilton, and Police Chief Matt Coonce

Chairman Bradich called to recess the Regular Meeting of January 22, 2024, at 7:00 PM. Trustee Barrera motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Benton. All yeas. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich called the Regular Meeting of February 12, 2024, to order at 7:00 PM.

Trustee Jett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Police Chief Coonce introduced and swore in new hire, Officer Brysen Stigger. Officer Stigger says that he is excited to join our team. He shared that he has 4 previous years in law enforcement and just got back from deployment, overseas.

Trustee Berrera also thanked officers for their response to an incident at Nelle Bell's over the weekend. Officers were there eating lunch and stopped their meal to handle the situation as it was unfolding. He wanted to share appreciation from the owner, Dixie Edwards, as well.

Chairman Bradich also announced the promotion of Motor Officer Sartin to Reserve Sergeant Sartin. He will oversee the reserve officers.

Trustee Benton shared an experience he had with Sergeant Sartin and thanked him for a job well done.

Chairman Bradich shared updated information from MODOT on the closing of 69 Hwy for the demo of the walk-over bridge and building of walls and sidewalks. Possible start date of March 11, 2024, and hope to have the project Completed by May 6, 2024. Of course, the timeline is subject to change with weather conditions. Informational signs should be posted next month. Google Fiber will have to relocate their lines during this time. Some signs may have to be moved back as well. Trustee Barrera wanted to clarify that 1 lane; each direction of 69 Hwy will be open.

Trustee Benton motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 8, 2024, seconded by Trustee Hoppe. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich shared that Fire Chief Shaumeyer was absent due to the planning of EMS & Fire personnel for the Chief's Super Bowl Parade on Wednesday.

Trustee Jett motioned to approve the Payment of Bills for January 19, 2024, through February 8, 2024, seconded by Trustee Barrera. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Police Chief Coonce informed of a fatality accident in Claycomo over the weekend. It occurred on the highway and highway patrol took over the scene. He also thanked Pleasant Valley Police Department for donating their old body cams to our department.

Deputy Village Clerk Hamilton shared that the Village Newsletter was finished and ready to print pending their approval. Approval was given.

Public Works had no old business.

EDC had no old business.

Zoning Board had no old business.

Residents had no old business.

Trustee Hoppe informed that the Tree of Warmth has been extended to stay up through winter months, since we have only had severe winter weather once this far.

Trustee Barrera asked for clarification on what to tell residents when they ask him about cats. The Village does not trap or transport cats. The Village does have a relationship with NAWS. If a resident takes a feral cat to NAWS to get it spayed/neutered, they will do so and charge it to the Village. The cat must then be reintroduced back to its colony or adopted. It can NOT be left at NAWS. We believe that you can rent a cage from NAWS to catch a cat. It requires a deposit. When the cage is returned, the deposit is also returned. Trustee Barrera also questioned why the flag at City Hall was at half-staff on Saturday. Chief Coonce answered it was an order from the Governor for 24 hours for the death of a former Missouri official. He also asked if there was any resolution to the barking dog and cars parked the wrong way on the street, from the last meeting. Chief Coonce stated that the cars parked the wrong direction is an ordinance violation and has been passed on to Officer Rivers to follow up on. The barking dog issue must be called in when it's happening to be addressed. The resident added that the dog had not been an issue lately.

Trustee Jett, Trustee Benton and Chairman Bradich had no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Coonce had no new business.

Deputy Village Clerk Hamilton had no new business.

EDC had no new business.

Dale, from the Zoning Board had no new business.

Resident Dan inquired about the excavation equipment being used on the highway side of 435 and Randolph Road. MODOT is excavating to repair an erosion problem and hopefully prevent further issues in that area.

Trustee Barrera thanked the police department again for their quick assistance with the individual on Saturday.

Trustee Jett congratulated the Kansas City Chiefs for their Super Bowl win.

Trustee Hoppe and Trustee Benton had no new business.

Chairman Bradich reported on a mass shooting at a church in Texas. He reminds everyone to be cognizant about their surroundings. Trustee Barrera asked if there was a way to reach out to the churches in the village and see if they have some sort of plan for an active shooter, offer assistance in planning one, give safety tips. Chief Coonce shared that in the past, he had done that with Claycomo Baptist Church. Trustee Jett shared that Claycomo Shooters offers church setting training for security teams.

Chairman Bradich added that he has asked MODOT to make sure that the plaque from the walk-over bridge is delivered to City Hall, prior to demolition. He would like for it to be presented to the Historical Society.

Police Chief Coonce introduced **Bill #3057 to become Ordinance #3056. An ordinance adding Terroristic Threats to Chapter 18- Miscellaneous Offenses and Provisions.**

Chapter 18, Sec. 18-6 A Terroristic Threats

A person commits the crime of terroristic threats if the person communicates either directly or indirectly a threat to:

1. Commit any crime of violence with intent to terrorize another,
2. Cause of evacuation of a building, place of assembly or facility or public transportation.

Trustee Barrera motioned to pass Bill #3057 to become Ordinance #3056, seconded by Trustee Jett. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

There was no further business with the Board.

There was a need to go into an executive meeting, on Trustee Member request.

Resident Marj brought up that in 2026 there will be a World Cup Soccer game and it will be the 250th Anniversary of the United States. She thought we should clean up the Village and use that opportunity to bring more people to Claycomo. Trustee Barrera encouraged her to share her ideas of “cleaning up the Village”.

Chairman Bradich dismissed the audience to move into Executive Meeting, per Trustee member request.

Village Clerk Melody Wymore

Chairman of the Board Terry Bradich