



**VILLAGE OF WAUCONDA  
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
101 N. MAIN STREET, WAUCONDA, IL  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Knight called the Regular Village Board Meeting to order at 6:00 PM

This meeting was viewable remotely via YouTube Live Stream at the following web address:

<https://youtu.be/B9REnNOUJbQ>

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Knight.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call by Clerk Falk-Novak, the following Trustees were present:  
Trustees Black, Howe, Schlick, Morino, Shaw, Sode

QUORUM PRESENT

Also present: Kevin Timony (Village Administrator), Dave Wermes (Police Chief)

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public comment.

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*(Last Ordinance No. was 2020-O-10) (Last Resolution No. was 2020-R-17)*

Motion to Approve the Agenda made by Trustee Sode, second Trustee Shaw.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**6. MOTION TO APPROVE CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA BY OMNIBUS VOTE**

Motion to Approve Consideration of Consent Agenda by Omnibus Vote made by Trustee Shaw second Trustee Morino.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of the Bills for Payment from July 11, 2020 to July 24, 2020 in the Amount of \$104,463.32
- B. Approval of the Minutes of the July 21, 2020 Regular Village Board Meeting
- C. Approval of the Minutes of the July 21, 2020 Executive Session
- D. Approval of a Ninth Resolution Extending the Declaration of Local State of Emergency for the Village of Wauconda (*Resolution No. 2020-R-18*)

**8. MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS A THROUGH D ON THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion to Approve Items A through D on the Consent Agenda made by Trustee Morino, second Trustee Schlick.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Approval of Mayor Knight's Appointment of Jennifer Kuhn to the Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission

Motion to Approve Mayor Knight's Appointment of Jennifer Kuhn to the Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission made by Trustee Schlick, second Trustee Howe.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

- B. Authorization to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Lake County - COVID-19 Relief Fund

Kevin Timony (Village Administrator)

The Village is in the process of applying for reimbursement of certain expenses incurred as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Lake County is facilitating funds through the CARES Act, which was passed by Congress back in March. Lake County received approximately \$122 million that is now available to municipalities being shared amongst the various Districts in Lake County. The Village is eligible for about \$23,500 in costs we had to incur, which includes items such as PPE, sanitizer as well as enhancements that we have had to make to the Village facilities. The last step in the application process is to have an IGA with Lake County approved and on record. The reimbursement process will continue throughout the rest of the calendar year from now through December 31, 2020. We may have more expenses later in the year that we might be applying for reimbursement; however, the IGA only needs to be executed one time.

Motion to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Lake County - COVID-19 Relief

Fund made by Trustee Howe, second Trustee Black.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

C. Ratification of an Electricity Supply Agreement with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc.

Administrator Timony (Village Administrator)

The Village participates in an entity called (NIMEC) which is the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Cooperative in which the Village has been partaking in for the last 12 years. The Village Hall is provided electricity free of charge as it is not a revenue-generating facility. The Village facilities that are part of the water/sewer system have to pay for electricity, so we participate in NIMEC to take advantage of lower electricity supply rates. When we submitted the bid initially, some facilities were left off of the bid, so this agreement with Constellation, which is our current supplier, would be adding these facilities to the agreement.

Motion to Approve Electricity Supply Agreement with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. made by Trustee Black, second Trustee Sode.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**10. MAYOR'S REPORT**

He thanked Jennifer Kuhn for stepping up to fill the open position on our Planning Commission/ZBA Board. He mentioned that there were four applicants, and it was nice to interview all of them. Their applications will remain on file should they be interested in future positions.

As everyone is aware, we are transitioning to Prairieland as our waste hauler, and although it has been a little bit bumpy the last few days, the Village has worked through most of it. He thanked Administrator Timony, Director Fink, as well as Connie and especially Alise, as the last couple of days she has been very busy fielding inquiries as Sherry has been out of town, and Brad and Connie were not in today. Once we get through the next couple of days, we will be moving forward, have fewer trucks on the road along with better service for a little less money for our residents.

He also reminded everyone to continue to social distance and wear masks as we have to continue to fight our way through this pandemic and move it along until we can get back to normal.

**11. COMMITTEE REPORTS & TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

**Trustee Black**

He thanked and congratulated Jennifer Kuhn for joining the Zoning Board. With regards to COVID-19, he asked everyone just to hang in there as it only should get better.

### **Trustee Howe**

He extended his welcome to Jennifer and stated that she had a very impressive resume and feels she will do a great job on the committee. With regards to the transition to Prairieland, he said anytime you do a roll-out like this, you think you have all the basics covered, and there is some little snafu that can spiral, especially on social media. To the extent that we were not able to make this a smoother transition for our residents, he does apologize for that. Overall he believes residents will be pleased with this service with some of the features that they provide. This was the best set of features that the Village could get for the rate. He also wanted to let everyone know that our Chamber of Commerce, in the absence of the Labor Day Street Dance, is hosting a virtual street dance. This will include small venues all around the Village once or twice a week in which you can attend the live event or watch via live stream. Reservations are on a limited basis for the live events, and this his helping raise money to help supplement some of the activities that the Chamber does. Go on the Chamber website or Facebook page website to check out the details.

### **Trustee Schlick**

He welcomed Jennifer and said he was glad to have her aboard. He wanted to thank the residents as change is never easy, but once the nitty-gritty is worked through with Prairieland, they are going to be pleased with the service that they provide. It started a little rocky, but he thinks at the end of the day, it's going to be great. He also wanted to voice his disappointment with Waste Management with the way they are treating some of the residents as they sold a service with regards to yard waste that they knew they were not able to provide for the length of the contract. He hopes that they step up and do the right thing.

### **Trustee Morino**

He wished the Mayor a happy belated birthday.

### **Trustee Shaw**

He also offered his congratulations to Jennifer. He thanked Joe and Jeff from Public Works for coming out very early this morning and removing a wasp nest from his parkway tree.

### **Trustee Sode**

He welcomed Jennifer to the Zoning Board and stated she will be an excellent addition. He also wanted to thank our Marine Unit, especially Mike and company, for doing an outstanding job out there as it has been quite a challenging year with all the new boaters and kayakers.

## **12. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

**13. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. (5 ILCS 120/2(C)(2)) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

Mayor Knight stated that the Executive session was not needed tonight.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Trustee Sode, second Trustee Shaw, all in favor.

Ayes 6 Nays 0

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Adjourn Time 6:15 PM

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Cheryl Falk-Novak, Village Clerk