

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Durand Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, September 9th, 2024. The meeting was called to order by the Village President, Sheila Hoffman, at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustee Waller, Trustee Clark, Trustee Cox, Trustee Guth, Trustee Dasko, Trustee Becker

Present via teleconference: None

Absent: None

Employees: *None present*

Village President: Sheila Hoffman

Village Treasurer: Denise Britnell

Village Attorney: Darron Burke

Village Clerk: Mary Sphatt

Public: *See attached sign-in sheet*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

The minutes from the August 26th, 2024 Regular Session were inspected by the board members. Motion was made by Mr. Guth and seconded by Mrs. Clark to approve the August 26th, 2024 minutes of the Regular Session. ROLL CALL: Clark, yes: Cox, yes: Dasko, yes: Waller, yes: Guth, yes: Becker, yes. MOTION CARRIED. APPROVED.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

The Payroll bills were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Guth to draw on the treasury to pay the payroll dated September 4th, 2024 totaling \$27,156.98. ROLL CALL: Cox, yes: Guth, yes: Becker, yes: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

The Board Bills were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Guth to draw on the treasury to pay the September 9th, 2024 Board Bills totaling \$37,617.92. ROLL CALL: Dasko, yes: Cox, yes: Becker, abstain: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Guth, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's reports for June, July and August 2024 were reviewed by the board members. A Motion was made by Mrs. Clark and seconded by Mr. Cox to approve the treasurer's reports for June, July and August of 2024. ROLL CALL: Cox, yes: Guth, yes: Becker, yes: Clark, yes: Waller, yes: Dasko, yes. MOTION CARRIED. AUTHORIZED.

ZONING

PUBLIC COMMENT

A concern was raised regarding the alley behind the food pantry and its possible blockage on distribution days.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE

August financials were reviewed by the board members. The June, July and August, 2024 financials will be approved at the Board Meeting. Water/Sewer disconnect/reconnect fees will be discussed at the next Board Meeting. The public notice for the Budget and Appropriation, 2024 has been published in the paper. The Public Hearing will take place September 23rd, 2024 and the vote will take place at the board meeting at 7:30. The possible Village continuance of the 1% grocery sales tax will be tabled until budget time and after the election. The Village has until October, 2025 to implement an Ordinance.

B. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Queen of Hearts raffle has a jackpot of over \$16,000 and is increasing. Durand Charm will lead the Illinois Humanities Rural Initiative. The Durand Charm Fall Plant sale will take place on Saturday, September 14th, 2024. The newly placed book drop box at the library is being used. The scarecrow competition for area businesses is being planned.

C. BUILDINGS AND PARKS

The ball diamond at Saalen's Park has been resurfaced, which has been paid for by Durand School and the Durand Athletic Association. Trustee Dasko was not able to physically enter the music store to verify whether retail sales are taking place. He did notice, through the window, that a table with T-Shirts and Sweatshirts for sale was set up. The Trustees discussed the proposed dog grooming business. Further details will need to be discussed regarding where the dogs would relieve themselves. The property

at 14730 Ruby St has a court hearing scheduled with Winnebago County Health Department on September 17th. Trustee Dasko will update the board at the next meeting. 511 South St. is being cleared and is a work in progress. Mayor Sheila Hoffman and Village Attorney Darron Burke on September 11th, 2024 about the Otter Creek Lots.

D. STREETS AND ALLEYS

Trustee Dasko provided an update on Vacant Buildings, Code Enforcement and the music store during the Buildings and Parks Committee Meeting.

E. WATER AND SEWER

The Public Works Facility has been paved. The gravel was placed on the edge on September 9th, 2024. The unsewered properties grant meeting will need to be rescheduled due to illnesses. The meeting will take place before the deadline for the grant application. The Water St. well pump will be replaced within the next 10 days.

F. POLICE

The monthly Police Report for August was handed out and discussed. The Durand School Board is set to vote on a School Resource Officer tonight at their meeting. Chief Reiman is looking for approval to hire Jason Rossi as the newest Durand Part-Time officer. Jason is currently a Winnebago County Deputy with approximately 16 years of police service and is also a former K-9 officer. The department has completed a background investigation, is currently awaiting a physical, and would like to swear Mr. Rossi in at the Board Meeting on September 23rd, 2024.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance 2024-__: Solicitation Amended: Food Truck/Retail Street Sales has been tabled pending further review by the board members and questions regarding when Food trucks would be allowed, background checks, fees and verbiage.
- B. Ordinance 2024__: 419 Center St. TIF agreement extension has been tabled pending review of target dates and timelines.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. A straw poll was taken for the weapon's raffle to be held by the Durand Lion's Club. This matter was not on the agenda and so it will be formally approved at the next meeting to be held on September 23rd, 2024. The result of the straw poll was 5 in favor, and 1 abstaining.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: Petition Packets are available for the Consolidated General Election to be held on April 1st, 2025. The open seats are Village President and 3 Trustees. The Clerk will transition from Elected to Appointed as of May 2025.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2024 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ROLL CALL: YEAS, 6; NAYS, 0; ABSENT, 0.

TIME ADJOURNED: 8:35 P.M.