



Village of Brighton
206 S. Main St. Brighton, IL 62012

Board Meeting MINUTES October 2, 2023 at 7:00pm

Village of Brighton Board Meeting

- A. Call To Order/Pledge of Allegiance: 7PM
- B. Attendance: Present-Trustees Bradley Arnold, John Bramley, Don Little, Aaron Mead, Marcella Wilfong, Jim Winslade. Others present- Mayor Matt Kasten, PW Supervisor Kaleb Kahl, Clerk Tamara Jenkins, Treasurer Ashley Lievers. Absent- Attorney Jennifer Watson.
- C. Approval of Reviewed Minutes 09-11-23: Aaron Mead, 2nd Don Little. Motion carried 6-0.
- D. Approval of Reviewed Treasurers Report: Aaron Mead, 2nd Bradley Arnold. Motion carried 6-0.
- E. Approval of Reviewed Bills: **Aaron Mead, 2nd John Bramley. Motion carried 6-Yeahs 0-Nays.**
- F. Mayor Report: Citizen of the Month-Rosemary Mayerhofer for all she does for the Village; Brighton Beautification-Nicky G's for improving the grounds and building of their business; Thank you to all who made the Fall Fest a success. It was a team effort. Expenses and Income shown on a spreadsheet provided.
- G. Public Comment: Elaine Weaver thanked the Village for getting the blue trailer removed.

Committee Reports

- A. Clerk Committee: 09/13/23 Meeting Minutes (Voice Vote): Aaron Mead, 2nd Don Little. Motion carried 6-0.
 - 1. **Aaron Mead made a motion to have the Municipal Building mortar inspected to determine if action needs to be taken. 2nd Jim Winslade. Motion carried 6 Yeahs-0 Nays.**
 - 2. **Aaron Mead made a motion to seek sealed bids for tuckpointing the exterior of the Municipal Building. 2nd Don Little. Motion carried 6 Yeahs-0 Nays.**
- B. Economic Development Committee: No meeting scheduled (Dates of meeting were prior to last board meeting and following this meeting.)
- C. Park Committee: 09/14/23 Meeting Minutes (Voice Vote): Aaron Mead, 2nd Bradley Arnold. Motion carried 6-0.
- D. Planning Committee: 09/20/23 No Meeting Held
- E. Public Safety: 09/18/23 Meeting Minutes (Voice Vote): Aaron Mead, 2nd Marcella Wilfong. Motion carried 6-0.
 - 1. Don Little made a motion to have all Police vehicles checked out and get estimates for repairs. 2nd Bradley Arnold. Motion carried 6-0. Discussion: Items listed for repair in P.S. Minutes are general maintenance. Batteries have been replaced. If there is an emergency with Police vehicle approval can be done with both chairs and the Mayor giving consent.
 - 2. **John Bramley made a motion to accept the quote from DHPace for \$7466 to replace the 2 exterior Police Department doors. 2nd Don Little. Motion carried 6 Yeahs-0 Nays.** Discussion: Repairing the doors is beyond the Committee's capability. Aaron Mead, the doors in the Police Department have needed to be replaced for 3 years and he's tired of talking about them. Use the quote submitted by Sergeant Ford. John Bramley, quotes have been received in the past, but nothing was done. This one is in the same ballpark.
 - 3. **Don Little made a motion to send Officer Schulte to officer training for juveniles. \$269 for online course or 5 days in person. 2nd John Bramley.** Aaron Mead had found a 3 day class for \$130. Further discussion raised the question of the Village paying over-time for the training. The Police Department will need to schedule training so that OT is not needed. **Don Little amended the motion as stated but not to accrue over-time. 2nd John Bramley. Motion carried 6-Yeahs 0-Nays.**
- F. Public Works: 09/25/23 No Meeting Held
- G. Zoning Committee: 09/19/23 No Quorum



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Old Business:

- A. Water Infrastructure Project update: N/A meeting later this month.
- B. LED sign: Utility marking done, Ameren will bury the line and sign should be up by Halloween.
- C. Brighton Picnic Assoc. donated 32 LED Christmas decorations that have been delivered.
- A. Don Little gave an update on Jersey Co. Animal Control Agreement. They are drawing up a contract for \$32/hr, the Police Department or Sherrif would be called for dispatching Animal Control, \$.62/mile reimbursement since Brighton will not furnish vehicle for Animal Control Officer. Final contract should be ready at next month's meeting.
- D. Update progress on resurfacing the walking track at Schneider Park. Should begin work this week or next. Contract signed and waiting for them to schedule.

New Business:

- B. **Aaron Mead made a motion to adopt the Ordinance Contract for Utility Services changing the water/sewer bill due date to the 15th of the month. The ordinance also clarifies that water will be turned on Monday through Friday from 8AM-3PM excluding holidays. 2nd Bradley Arnold.** Discussion: Mayor Kasten told the board that the treasurer and Asst. Clerk attended a water conference and found that our billing cycle leaves us vulnerable for 109 days out. Trustee Wilfong stated that Illinois American Water has a 23-day billing cycle plus 10 days. SSI pays at different times of the month, and it will be hard for those who receive their payment after the new bill date. Bills due in 15 days won't give very much time to pay. PW Supervisor Kahl stated that the current late bills go out a couple of days before the next month's bills are printed. People are getting confused. This is causing some to be 3 months behind. The new bill due date will allow for late notices and shut offs to be completed before the next months bill is mailed. Trustee Wilfong strongly opposes this ordinance. Trustee Little asked if she had an alternative solution? None was given. **Motion Carried 5-Yeahs 1-Nay (Marcella Wilfong).**
- C. **Aaron Mead made a motion to sign the contract with Nicky G's to cater the Christmas party. 2nd Bradley Arnold. Motion carried 6-Yeahs 0-Nays.**
- D. Discuss Mayor spending limit.-TABLED
- E. **Aaron Mead made a motion to sign the resolution to close the Tax Account and move funds to the General Account. 2nd Bradley Arnold. Motion carried 5-Yeahs 1-Nay (Marcella Wilfong).**
- F. **Aaron Mead made a motion to spend up to \$450 for a new Police car window motor. 2nd Don Little. Motion carried 6-Yeahs 0-Nays.**

Problems: The Park Committee needs permission to spend funds for Frighten Brighton. A special meeting is set for Thursday Oct. 5th at 6PM at Village Hall.

Adjournment: Aaron Mead made a motion to adjourn. 2nd John Bramley. Motion carried 6-0.

Time: 7:52PM

Submitted by:

Tamara Jenkins, Clerk
Village of Brighton