



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

Board Meeting MINUTES March. 3, 2025 at 7:00pm

Village of Brighton Board Meeting

- A. Call To Order: 7PM
- B. Attendance: Trustees Present-Jim Winslade, Marcella Wilfong, Aaron Mead, Don Little, John Bramley, Bradley Arnold. Others Present- Mayor Kasten, Clerk Jenkins, Supervisor Kahl, Attorney Watson. Absent-Treasurer Livers.
- C. Approval of Board Minutes 2/3/25: Motion by Aaron Mead, 2nd John Bramley. Motion carried 6-0.
- D. Approval of Treasurers Report: Motion by Aaron Mead, 2nd Bradley Arnold. Motion carried 6-0.
- E. Approval of Bills: Motion by Aaron Mead, 2nd Don Little. Motion carried 6-Yeas 0-Nays.
- F. Mayor Report:
- G. Public Comment: Mr. Weaver suggested using glass block instead of removing the Auditorium windows when repairing the wall. He asked about posting draft committee minutes prior to their approval. Legal will check on it. Mr. Aaron Little presented supplemental insurance information from Globe Life highlighting the policy benefits.

Committee Reports

- A. Clerk Committee-2/12/25 Meeting Canceled
- B. Economic Development Committee-2/4/25 No Quorum
- C. Park Committee-2/13/25 Meeting Minutes: Motion by Aaron Mead, 2nd John Bramley. Motion carried 6-0.
 - 1. Action Item: Permission to spend up to \$4,000 on Lent Fish Fry. Motion by Aaron Mead, 2nd Marcella Wilfong. Motion carried 6-Yeas 0-Nays.
 - 2. Action Item: Permission to spend up to \$700 on Easter Egg Hunt. Motion by Aaron Mead, 2nd Marcella Wilfong. Motion carried 6-Yeas 0-Nays.
- D. Planning Committee- 2/6/25 Meeting Minutes: Motion by Don Little, 2nd Aaron Mead. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Little briefly expounded on the grant information presented by Jennifer Russell at the committee meeting and Beth Bear through email. Safe Streets & Roads for All, Safe Routes to School, & Open Space and Land Grants information was distributed.
- E. Public Safety-2/17/25 No Quorum
- F. Public Works-2/24/25 Meeting Minutes: Motion by Aaron Mead, 2nd Jim Winslade. Motion carried 6-0.
 - 1. Action Item: Purchase two heaters for the sewer plant garage not to exceed \$2,400. Motion by Jim Winslade, 2nd Aaron Mead. Motion carried 6-Yeas 0-Nays.
- G. Zoning Committee-2/18/25 Meeting Canceled

Old Business:

- A. Discuss/Possible Action: Derelict property on 103 School St.-Ordinance violation ticket issued but has not been paid. The Mayor has been receiving late night/early morning phone calls and text messages from Mr. Watts. Attorney Watson will guide the Village on how it should move forward.
- B. Discuss/Possible Action: Ongoing Municipal building repairs
 - 1. Discuss/Possible Action: Bid notice published and posted. Due March 12, 2025
 - 2. Update lighting to LED:
 - 3. Replace hot water heater: Quotes attached
 - 4. Mold remediation: Duct cleaning/sanitizing quotes attached



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New Business:

- A. Aaron Mead made a motion to pass the Water Rate Increase Ordinance 2025-02, 2nd Jim Winslade. Motion carried 5-Yeas 1-Nay with Trustee Wilfong voting against. Mayor Kasten explained that ICC has allowed Illinois American Water to raise their rates 28.72%. Brighton Water had planned for an increase, but not to that extent. Therefore, the Water Dept. will need to increase water by 15% to cover costs. The increase will appear on the April water bills. The Water Dept. does not have large reserves to cover this large increase. In addition to our supplier increase, the USDA funds that had been approved are uncertain and may be delayed for the water main project.

Adjournment: Aaron Mead made a motion to adjourn, 2nd Bradley Arnold. Motion carried 6-0.

Time: 7:31PM

Submitted by: Tamara Jenkins, Clerk
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