

**RANTOUL VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2022**

LOUIS B. SCHELLING MEMORIAL BOARD ROOM
RANTOUL MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 333 S. TANNER, RANTOUL, IL

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rantoul was held at 6:00 P.M., President Charles Smith presiding. President Smith called the meeting to order.

The Mayor read a statement regarding Senator Scott Bennett's passing. He asked for a minute of silence in Senator Bennett's honor.

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Michael and Kathy Chrasta, Vineyard Church opened the meeting with prayer. Following the invocation, Trustee Hall led the audience in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

The Clerk called the roll, finding the following members present:

Mayor Smith, and Trustees Crider, Wilkerson, Hall, Weathersby and Johnson – 6.

The following representatives of Village departments were also present:

Scott Eisenhower, Administrator; Tony Brown, Police Chief; Chad Smith, Fire Chief; Jolene Gensler, Comptroller; Chris Milliken, Urban Planning Manager; David Wesner, Attorney; Tana Ward, Deputy Village Clerk and Janet Gray, Village Clerk

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Hall moved to approve the agenda for the meeting, as presented.

Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a roll call vote:

AYES: Hall, Weathersby, Johnson, Crider and Wilkerson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Public Participation

Loise Haines said that Debbra Sweat could not come tonight so Mrs. Haines passed on her thanks to the Mayor for the Board's support of the Legacy Celebration for Martin Luther King. There will be a program at 2:15 pm on January 15 at J. W. Eater and a pancake breakfast Monday the 16 at the High

School Cafetorium from 7:30 – 9:30 am. She invited the Trustees to attend. If there are any questions please contact Debbra Sweat.

Janet Brotherton spoke regarding the \$300 utility credit from the ARPA funds. She is giving \$300.00 to the Barry Little Literacy Fund. Mr. Little died from COVID in 2020. She also has a check payable to the Village to put money towards a utility account of a relative who is not eligible to receive the credit because the landlord pays the utility bill.

A. Consent Agenda

Approval of Consent Agenda Items by Omnibus Vote

- A. Minutes of Regular Study Session November 1, 2022
- B. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting November 8, 2022
- C. Board Meeting Schedule for 2023
- D. Approval of bills and monthly financial report
- E. Affirmation of appointment of Niki Pettit to the Human Relations Committee for a term expiration of 2026.

Trustee Wilkerson moved to approve the Consent Agenda items by omnibus vote. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Wilkerson, Hall, Weathersby and Crider – 4.

NAYS: Johnson – 1.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 4-1.

B. Consideration of Bids, Contracts & Other Items of Expenditure

Trustee Hall moved to authorize and approve the updated language to the Champaign County Geographic Information System Consortium (CCGIS)

Trustee Wilkerson seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Weathersby, Johnson, Crider and Wilkerson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Johnson moved to authorize waiving the formal bidding process and authorize and approve the purchase of electric equipment from Anixter Power Solutions to support load growth at Rantoul Foods, Phase Four in the amount of \$295,740.00. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Johnson, Crider, Wilkerson, Hall, and Weathersby – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Hall moved to authorize and approve the Microloan Application for A Taste of Thai in the amount of \$30,000.00. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Weathersby, Johnson, Crider and Wilkerson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

C. Consideration of Ordinances & Resolutions

Ordinance No. 2723

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 24 “PERSONNEL” OF THE RANTOUL CODE IN CONNECTION WITH HOLIDAYS

Trustee Hall moved to pass Ordinance No. 2723. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Weathersby, Johnson, Crider and Wilkerson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance No. 2724

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR THE 2022 TAX LEVY YEAR

Trustee Johnson moved to pass Ordinance No. 2724. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Johnson, Crider, Wilkerson, Hall and Weathersby – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance No. 2725

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ABATEMENT OF TAX LEVY FOR THE 2022 TAX LEVY FOR THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2013A, AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2358.

Trustee Weathersby moved to pass Ordinance No. 2725. Trustee Hall seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Weathersby, Johnson, Crider, Wilkerson and Hall – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance No. 2726

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ABATEMENT OF TAX LEVY FOR
THE 2022 TAX LEVY FOR THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2015, AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2410.**

Trustee Crider moved to pass Ordinance No. 2726. Trustee Hall seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Crider, Wilkerson, Hall, Weathersby and Johnson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson - 1

The motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance No. 2727

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ABATEMENT OF TAX LEVY FOR
THE 2022 TAX LEVY FOR THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2016, AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2472.**

Trustee Hall moved to pass Ordinance No. 2727. Trustee Johnson seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Weathersby, Johnson, Crider and Wilkerson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance No. 2728

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ABATEMENT OF TAX LEVY FOR
THE 2022 TAX LEVY FOR THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2019, AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2617.**

Trustee Crider moved to pass Ordinance No. 2728. Trustee Hall seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Crider, Wilkerson, Hall, Weathersby and Johnson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance No. 2729

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ABATEMENT OF TAX LEVY FOR
THE 2022 TAX LEVY FOR THE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS,
SERIES 2020, AS AUTHORIZED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2665.**

Trustee Weathersby moved to pass Ordinance No. 2729. Trustee Wilkerson seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Weathersby, Johnson, Crider, Wilkerson and Hall – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1370

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF RANTOUL AND
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY REGARDING BUS SHELTERS**

Trustee Johnson moved to pass Resolution No.12-22-1370. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Johnson, Crider, Wilkerson, Hall and Weathersby – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson - 1

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1371

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING UTILIZATION OF COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING
FOR EARNEST AGRICULTURE AT 501-505 CONDIT DRIVE**

Trustee Weathersby moved to pass Resolution No. 12-22-1371. Trustee Hall seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Weathersby, Johnson, Crider, Wilkerson and Hall – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1372

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PROHIBITED TRUCK ROUTE
(South Tanner Street)**

Trustee Johnson moved to pass Resolution No. 12-22-1372. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Johnson, Crider, Wilkerson, Hall and Weathersby – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson -1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1373

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CLASS II TRUCK ROUTE
(CR 1300 E)**

Trustee Crider moved to pass Resolution No. 12-22-1373. Trustee Hall seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Crider, Wilkerson, Hall, Weathersby and Johnson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1374

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CLASS II TRUCK ROUTE
(Turner Drive)**

Trustee Hall moved to pass Resolution No. 12-22-1374. Trustee Wilkerson seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Wilkerson, Hall, Weathersby, Johnson and Crider – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1375

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CLASS II TRUCK ROUTE
(Shellhouse Road)**

Trustee Weathersby moved to pass Resolution No. 12-22-1375. Trustee Hall seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Weathersby, Johnson, Crider, Wilkerson and Hall – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1376

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CLASS II TRUCK ROUTE
(Evans Road)**

Trustee Hall moved to pass Resolution No. 12-22-1376. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Weathersby, Johnson, Crider and Wilkerson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1377

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CLASS II TRUCK ROUTE
(Innovation Road)**

Trustee Crider moved to pass Resolution No. 12-22-1377. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Crider, Wilkerson, Hall, Weathersby and Johnson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

Resolution No. 12-22-1378

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROPRIATING
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR CERTAIN PROJECTS**

Trustee Weathersby moved to pass Resolution No. 12-22-1378. Trustee Wilkerson seconded the motion.

Trustee Hall said he wanted to prioritize projects and try to fully fund the projects. He said the Board needed to look at the four projects to see if there is any money available from other sources.

Trustee Hall moved to amend the current resolution to show the following amounts: Fire Station upgrades - \$750,000.00, Downtown Infrastructure – \$1.8 Million, Youth Center - \$3 Million, Wastewater Project - \$ 793,000.00 (the remainder of the funds). The Amendment died for a lack of a second.

On a Roll Call vote of the original motion:

YEAS: Weathersby, Johnson, Wilkerson and Mayor Smith – 4.

NAYS: Crider and Hall - 2

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 4-2.

D. New Business

The Administrator clarified that the new holiday will cost the Village \$32,000.00 not \$8,200.00 and that if Trustee Wilkerson wanted to he could change his vote on this issue. Trustee Wilkerson did not wish to change his vote.

E. Announcement

Trustee Crider stated Rantoul did an excellent job on Shop with A Cop. Channel 3 covered the event on Monday night. She thanked the employees who helped.

Trustee Hall wished everyone a Happy Holiday and thanked the employees who help the Village run so well.

The Mayor wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

F. Closed Session

No closed session was held.

G. Adjournment

Trustee Crider moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Crider, Wilkerson, Hall, Weathersby and Johnson – 5.

NAYS: None – 0.

ABSENT: Robertson – 1.

The motion carried 5-0.

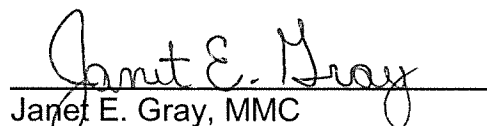
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:46 PM

Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

Approved


Charles Smith
Village President

ATTEST:


Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

I, Janet E. Gray, Village Clerk of the Village of Rantoul, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held December 13, 2022 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.


Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk