

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
OF THE VILLAGE OF METTAWA, ILLINOIS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025 IN THE
COTTONWOOD ROOM A**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Clark called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Upon a call of the roll the following persons were:

Present: Chairman Clark and Members Armstrong and Pelech

Absent: None

Chairman Clark declared a quorum present.

Attendees: Village Clerk, Sandy Gallo; Village Administrator, Mandi Florip; Village Engineer, Scott Anderson and Trustees Smolic

C. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH

Meeting minutes of March 12, 2025 were reviewed. It was moved by Member Armstrong seconded by Member Pelech that the regular meeting minutes be approved and be placed on file. The motion was carried.

D. DISCUSS THE TWO PROPOSALS FOR THE TREE REMOVAL STUMPS AT OAK HILL LANE

Chairman Clark indicated she received a request from the Mayor to remove the dead trees and stumps at Oak Hill Lane. Chairman Clark received proposals from Davey Tree Experts in the amount of \$4,320 and Dunlap Tree Experts in the amount not to exceed \$4,800.

A motion was made to approve Davey Tree Experts in the amount of \$4,320. The motion was made by Member Pelech and seconded by Member Armstrong. Chairman Clark abstained. The motion was carried.

E. DISCUSS DUNLAP LAWN SERVICE PROPOSAL FOR THE 2025 PARKS MAINTENANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,460

Chairman Clark indicated the annual service agreement was received from Chris Dunlap. The weed killer for the flower bed was removed. This agreement also includes mowing at the two new properties three times. Member Armstrong asked where the fertilization will occur. Chairman Clark replied in the grassy areas.

A motion was made to approve the Dunlap Lawn Service proposal in the amount of \$20,460. The motion was made by Member Pelech and seconded by Member Armstrong. The motion was carried.

F. UPDATE ON THE VILLAGE TRAIL SIGNS

Chairman Clark indicated the state requirement for adding trail signs has added at "highway crossing." The outcome could result in a savings of \$50K for the village, as no trails cross at a highway. Village Administrator Florip indicated this is a trailer bill. However, it still needs to be cleared by the House this Friday. We are also waiting on the County to follow their lead.

G. DISCUSS THE TURTLE CROSSING SIGNS FOR OLD SCHOOL ROAD

Chairman Clark stated the temporary turtle signs have been placed. Also, new permanent turtle signs have been ordered.

H. DISCUSS MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ITEMS FOR FY2025-2026 BUDGET

Chairman Clark indicated she has no committee changes to the budget.

I. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY APPEAR TO THE COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION, AND IF APPROVED, BE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chairman Clark indicated ComEd confirmed they did not break the Tindall trailhead. No reimbursement will be received but the new sign has been ordered. ComEd has confirmed Mettawa qualifies for 25 free trees. They will be delivering us, 8 River Birch, 8 Red Maple, 9-Sycamore.

J. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Member Clark seconded by Member Pelech to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 pm. The motion was carried.

Sandy Gallo, Village Clerk