

**Village of Woodson**  
**Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**March 6, 2023**

A regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Woodson, Illinois was held March 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. President Bruce Milner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following Trustees were present for the roll call: DeWitt, Allen, Baker, Steward, Wilson and Gish. Also present were the Village Clerk Lisa Probst, Police Officer Broadus and Water and Street Superintendent Shane Ahlers and Treasurer Lisa Suttles.

Call to order was made by President Milner with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Agenda**

Motion was made by Trustee Gish to approve the agenda and seconded by Trustee Steward. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 yeas.

**Minutes**

Minutes from the February 6, 2023 Board Meeting were reviewed. Trustee Baker made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Trustee Wilson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the unanimous vote of the trustees present.

**Public Forum**

**Reg Ankrom/President of Simec-** Discussed the electric rates that would be fixed at 18 months, residents have the option to opt out.

**Police Report**

Police Officer Broadus presented the Police Report.

Traffic Stops 13/-8 Woodson Citations 6/+5

Traffic Stops 9/+3 3 / Murrayville Citations 1/+1

Traffic Related Arrests – 1 Murrayville

Criminal Damage to Property- 2 Woodson

Officer hours for this month-232.5/+38

Police Account Balance- \$7,390.11

Motion was made by Trustee Gish to approve the Police Report as given and seconded by Trustee Allen. 4 Yeas carried the motion.

### **Sewer Report**

Total of 21 past dues notices were sent as of January 30, 2023.

Total bills printed: 188

Sewer/Refuse Systems Deposits: \$7,754.69

Escrow: \$0

Motion was made by Trustee Dewitt to approve the Sewer Report and seconded by Trustee Steward. 4 Yeas carried the motion.

### **Treasurer's Report**

A motion was made by Trustee Allen to approve the Treasurer's Report and seconded by Trustee Gish. On a roll call the following votes were cast Dewitt, yes; and Steward, yes; Baker, yes; and Wilson yes. The motion carried.

A motion was also made by Trustee Steward to pay the bills and seconded by Trustee Gish. On a roll call, the following votes were cast: Allen, yes and Dewitt, yes; Baker, yes; and Wilson yes. The motion carried

### **Village Report**

Shane Ahlers presented the Village Report to the Trustees.

- Generator work has been completed and the old one will be removed.
- Seals for the pump are in and will be installed next week.
- Alarm for the pump is needed. All Trustees agreed to purchase from JJ Electric at a cost of \$400-\$500.
- Dye has been sprayed in the lagoon to cut down on solids.

### **Old Business**

**Benefits @ Anniversary Date (Ordinance Revisions)** - Nothing new to report at this time.

**Lift Station Generator**- See notes under Village Report.

**Have Cors Electric Inspect Panel and Wiring (make recommendations-? Add outlets to basement walls)**  
- Nothing new to report at this time.

**Start Identifying Sidewalk Repairs for Summer**- Tabled.

**Foyer Repairs**- Still on hold for Bill Leib bid.

**Sewer System Repairs (Liners)** - Anthony Miller with Hutchinson Engineering discussed Loan Grant options. IEPA loan for 1.26% with 30% loan forgiveness.

**Sewer System Main Cleaning**-Motion was made by Trustee Wilson to move forward with the contract agreement with Hutchinson Engineering at a cost of \$35,000-\$40,000 to be billed in increments, Trustee Gish seconded the motion, on a roll call the following votes were cast- Allen yes, Baker yes, Steward yes and Dewitt yes. Motion carried.

**Lift Station and Sewer Extensions (Loneragan Lake)** - Tabled.

**Employee Handbook Updates**- Still being worked on.

## **New Business**

**City Wide Clean-up**- Still reviewing dates for May 19-21.

**Candy for Easter Egg Hunt**- Motion was made by Trustee Allen to donate \$150.00 to the Fire Dept to purchase candy and seconded by Trustee Gish, on a roll call the following votes were cast Baker yes, Dewitt yes, Steward yes and Wilson yes.

**New Flags for Poles**- Motion was made by Trustee Baker to purchase 15 flags at a cost of \$1,339.80 to seconded by Trustee Gish, on a roll call the following votes were cast Allen yes, Dewitt yes, Steward yes and Wilson yes.

**MFT Appropriations**- Motion was made by Trustee Gish to pass Ordinance 223 and seconded by Trustee Allen on a roll call the following votes were cast Baker yes, Dewitt yes, Steward yes, and Wilson yes.

**Statement of Economic Interest**- All Trustees completed.

Motion was made by Trustee Gish to adjourn the regular meeting and go into closed session and seconded by Trustee Wilson. 4 yeas carried the motion.

Motion was made by Trustee Gish to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session and adjourn motion was seconded by Trustee Baker. 4 yeas carried the motion.

**Lisa Probst/Village Clerk**