

## **REGULAR MEETING**

**December 17, 2024**

The Village of Ashmore Board of Trustees met in regular session on December 17, 2024 at the Ashmore Municipal Office. Proper notice of the meeting was posted. President Kurt Crail called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Freezeland acknowledged that a quorum was physically present and that there were no requests for remote attendance. Freezeland took roll call attendance:

Trustees Present:

- Bill Edwards
- Thomas Grissom
- Terry Price
- Bryan Watson
- Cathy Welborn

Also Present:

- President Kurt Crail
- Clerk Jackie Freezeland
- Treasurer Kathy Childress
- Darin Clarke, Maguire Iron, LLC

Trustees Absent: Dane Perdieu

### **Guests**

Darin Clarke of Maguire was present to answer questions about the maintenance plan quote for the water tower. No other qualifying quotes were received. The five-year plan includes the primary maintenance projects that the water committee anticipates in the coming few years as well as inspections and minor maintenance. After five years, Maguire would transition to a minor maintenance plan at a lower annual rate. The first year fee was modified to match the ARPA funds which must be obligated by December 31, 2024.

### **New Business (Out of Order)**

Resolution #24-1217B, A Resolution Authorizing the Village of Ashmore, Illinois to Enter into an Agreement with Maguire Iron, Inc. for Water Tower Maintenance Services was passed on a recommendation from the Water Committee, and no second was required. In a roll call vote, all trustees present voted aye.

### **Reports, Approvals, and Claims**

Lee Beckman of Milano & Grunloh Engineers could not be present due to scheduling.

Freezeland read his notes for the Board, which Beckman had submitted prior to the meeting.

Freezeland gave an update about new and ongoing projects in the Municipal Office.

Board minutes dated November 26, 2024 were approved on a motion from Watson, seconded by Welborn. In a roll call vote, all trustees present voted aye.

Personnel Committee minutes dated December 10, 2024 were approved on a motion from Grissom, seconded by Edwards. In a roll call vote, all committee members present voted aye.

Water Committee minutes dated December 10, 2024 were approved on a motion from Edwards, seconded by Watson. In a roll call vote, , all committee members present voted aye.

The payables and payroll for December were passed around and approved by signature.

The Treasurer's Report for November 2024 was placed on file with the Clerk on a motion from Welborn, seconded by Price. In a roll call vote, all trustees present voted aye.

### **Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business on the agenda.

### **New Business**

Resolution #24-1217A, A Resolution Amending Employee Benefit Holidays, was passed on a recommendation from the Personnel Committee, and no second was required. In a roll call vote, all trustees present voted aye.

There was no other new business.

While still in session, everyone present enjoyed the annual Christmas Dinner catered by Country Catering.

The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m. on a motion by Edwards, seconded by Price. All trustees present voted in favor. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 28, 2025.

Jackie Freezeland  
Ashmore Village Clerk