

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
August 26, 2025 7:00 P.M.  
3323 W. 137<sup>th</sup> St. Robbins, IL  
Robbins Courtroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:08 PM

BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant

Pledge of Allegiance and Lord's Prayer said in Unison

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

P David R. Dyson

P Ernest Maxey Jr

P Thomas Harper Jr.

P Chanel Kelly

P Jeanneen Holmes

P Michael Collier Sr

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant

P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson

P VA Korie Dickson

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Harper and seconded by Trustee Kelly to approve the regular minutes 8-12-25

Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Kelly, Holmes, Collier

Motion carried.

- II. Announcements

It is very important that you sign up for text alerts if you haven't done so already. A cell phone number is required. Updates can also be found on the village website as well as all village social media pages.

If you need assistance with paying your water bill and to avoid disconnection, please reach out to your local township, either Bremen 708-333-9530 or Worth 708-371-2900.

Please join us every Tuesday and Thursday for chair exercise from 11:00am-2:00 pm at the Robbins Park District, 13650 Claire Blvd.

Effective August 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Wm. Leonard public library at 13820 Central Park Ave. is now open every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday from 10am-2pm to service the community.

Please come out each Friday at the Community Center from 3-6 PM through September, get your blood pressure taken, get fresh vegetables and learn more about the holistic approach to high blood pressure and hypertension. Sponsored by RX Bag Therapeutic Foods.

It's almost here, our annual back to school festival and parade! Aug 29-31, with live entertainment, food, fun and the rodeo is back. All for the low price of \$10 admission daily for 18 and older, 17 and younger are free. We are still accepting donations from anyone wanting to help make this event a great success. Please contact Ms. Angie Murphy-Watts at 708-663-1333 or VA Dickson 708-470-9890.

- III. A. Mayor's Report: The check is here from the state so that the village hall work can continue. We probably won't be open to the public until the first of the year. Nelson, Monticello and a portion of Grace is currently being paved. Thank you to the VA and the staff for working diligently to get these grants completed. Approximately 80% of the streets in the new homes have been paved. Demolition is still on pause; we are working on a new game plan to continue. We are planning a safe weekend for the festival activities. Asked the police chief to come and speak to the citizens. Manpower issues have been addressed, and we have additional security to help for the weekend. Mayor stated that if anything happens between now and the weekend that will affect your safety, we will cancel things. If anyone needs anything from him, please email him, do not call. If you need something related to a day-to-day issue, please contact the VA first.
- B. VA's Report: She provided clarity about scheduling a meeting with the mayor. Acknowledged the police chief and the work he's doing in rebuilding the department. He is very knowledgeable, and his demeanor is fantastic. Hats off to Ms. Murphy-Watts, she has gone above and beyond for the upcoming festival and parade. There were a lot of donations made, and we appreciate everyone that helped in some way. To the board of trustees, it was suggested that committee meetings be held every 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Thursday. This gives you time to vet any item and be ready for the next council meeting.
- C. Clerk's Report: Dates 7/22/25-8/25/25 Hera: \$3000.00, Community Center Rental \$940.00, Transfer Stamp fee \$150.00, Flea Market \$10155.00
- D. Treasurer's Report: None
- IV. NEW BUSINESS-
- A. It was moved by Trustee Holmes and seconded by Trustee Dyson for the approval of Ordinance 8-26-25, an Ordinance establishing escrow procedure for real estate. Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Kelly, Holmes, Collier. Motion carried.
- B. It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustees Kelly and Maxey for the approval of Resolution 8-26-25 R. Approved with the following adjustments: 1) remove exclusive as an agent, 2) remove termination clause, 3) change term of contract from 5 yrs to 1yr, 4) add authorization for mayor to negotiate the terms of commission with Lisa Granberry. Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Kelly, Holmes, Collier. Motion carried.
- V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS-
- Trustee Holmes-License/Ordinance Gave an update about who Lisa Granberry is and what she plans to do for the village. She is not on the village payroll. Trustee Dyson expounded on how Ms. Granberry came to the village, helped citizens improve their credit scores and even got some pre-approved to buy a home. VA Dickson added that these homes were here for decades in a dilapidated condition and that anyone could have bought them and fixed them up, but no one did. Trustee Collier-Public Works-We are getting ready around the community for the festival weekend. Water-There were two water breaks, one on Monticello and one at Grace & Alita.
- VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS
- Ms. Alicia said she's trying to have a basketball tournament, who does she speak to?

Ms. Sykes stated she's concerned about ComEd removing their trees but not in a good manner. She wrote Bob Rita but got no response, who does she contact?

Ms. Westbrook wants the email of everyone on the board.

Ms. McKillion stated you have to have a disconnection notice to get assistance from the township.

Pastor Cook said he has not received a water bill, do you have any idea when it will come out.

Ms. Coleman thanked Ms. Thompson for correcting her water bill.

Ms. Sykes asked will there be an automatic pay option?

Ms. Ratliff said she went to Bob Rita's office about the trees near her home. They cut them down but they didn't clean them up.

Mr. Anderson asked what's happening with the water break at Grace & Alita.

Ms. Murphy invited everyone out to the Friday night gospel fest.

VII. Executive Session:

Section 2 (c) (1) Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance.

It was moved by Trustee Holmes and seconded by Trustees Collier and Dyson to enter into executive session

Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Kelly, Holmes, Collier

Motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Holmes and seconded by Trustee Collier to reconvene into regular session.

Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Kelly, Holmes, Collier

Motion carried.

Trustee Dyson had questions for the attorney regarding the proposed South Suburban Land Bank agreement and whose idea it was to bring to the village. Discussion was made about some of the items in the agreement, and what was a benefit or detriment to the village. Further discussion was made about the agreement with Ms. Granberry and the role the attorney would have in implementing the agreement with her. Mayor suggested having Mr. VanDyke from SSLB come back for another meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustees Dyson and Kelly to adjourn.

Upon a unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk \_\_\_\_\_