

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 13, 2026 7:00 P.M.
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:01 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 Dyson to approve the regular minutes 12-9-25

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

Abstain: Maxey

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.

Cook County Residents can get free flu and COVID-19 shots at Saturday vaccination clinics. The next clinic will be at the Robbins Health Center. 13450 S. Kedzie from 8am to 4pm on Jan 17th and March 7th. Appointments are not required.

CEDA energy Service dept, has furnace assistance. To learn more call 800-571-2332.

Tech Help Drop In every Wednesday from Jan. 7th-Jan. 28th at the Wm Leonard Public Library from 4-5 PM

The month of January has free days at multiple sites in Chicago, such as Adler Planetarium, Brookfield Zoo, The Field Museum, Shedd Aquarium, etc. Please see the flyer for specific dates.

Southwest Job Fair, Jan. 15, 2026, from 11am-2pm. At the Tinley Park Convention Center, 18451 Convention Center Drive. Meet recruiters, mock interview, career Coaching, Professional Headshots.

BIRNN invites you to come out and meet your local Township and learn about the free wellness and mental health services. Thursday, January 22, 2026, from 1-2 PM, at the Robbins Park District, 13650 Claire Blvd., Robbins, IL. For more information, call 708-974-5821.

The Robbins Park District presents a skating party on Jan. 31, 2026, from 4:30-7:30 pm, at Lynwood Sports Center, 2030 Glenwood Dyer Rd, Lynwood, IL. The cost is free for 17 & younger, 18+ is \$10. There is a free bus ride included for the first 56 to register. Everyone must register for the skate party, either at the Park District or on the website. Minors must be accompanied by parent/guardian. Participants are responsible for \$3.50 skate rental.

III. REPORTS

- A. Mayor's Report: The Mayor started by asking Pastor Brown of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church to come and pray over the village. The village received a grant to pay residents' water bills up to \$2000, and the staff are going over the accounts to see what the correct amount is since we've had a new billing cycle. A mailer will go out by late January with further clarity. The VA added that the grant covered billing through October, citizens will still owe for Nov. and Dec. Commercial accounts and accounts owing over \$2000 do not qualify.
- There was a serious water main break between Tripp and Kostner, and we appreciate the residents who were affected and apologize for the inconvenience.
- The village hall will be done by the end of the month, and we should be back in the village hall in the spring season.
- The turf field is done, should have something going on in the spring.
- The MWRD project will be completed in the spring.
- The village is selling commercial real estate between St. Louis/Trumbull and Komensky/Karlov. We applied to get a Dunkin Donuts here and was denied twice.
- B. VA's Report: We received another grant in the amount of \$245,000 for the water department to get more electronics and technical equipment to be more efficient in the future. Thanked water superintendent Hollingsworth for going after this grant.
- We have people that are interested in coming to the village after hearing about the real estate for sale.
- Reminded citizens of the email to voice a concern/complaint:
citizenscomplaints@robbins-il.com or call her 708-470-9890
- C. Clerk's Report: None
- D. Treasurer's report:
- It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the treasurer's report in the amount of \$164,813.77.
- Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Collier
- Abstain: Holmes, Kelly
- Motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Holmes to approve the swearing in of Latara Reed to Sergeant
- Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Holmes, Collier, Kelly
- Motion carried.
- B. It was moved by Trustee Holmes and seconded by Trustees Collier and Harper to approve the swearing in of officer Michael Kelly
- Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Holmes, Collier, Kelly
- Motion carried.

Words were spoken by Chief White about each officer and the roles they play on the force. He is very proud to have both on his staff.

- C. It was moved by Trustee Harper and seconded by Trustee Kelly to approve the amendment of Ordinance 8-23-22 B, an ordinance establishing charges for the use of Robbins Fire Department Ambulance and the services of the Robbins Fire Department. Ordinance 1-13-26.

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

Motion carried.

Chief Malley spoke about the increase in fees for ambulance service. Also reminded citizens to please get smoke detectors installed.

V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Trustee Collier-Happy New Year to everyone. Things that we've been working on are coming to light. Thank you to Ms. Nina and Emani for all their hard work on the Elevate project.

Public works department is getting better each month.

Trustee Kelly-Citizens are concerned about large trucks coming through the village. Asked Chief White if he could come up and address the issue. The chief stated we have scales already to measure the overweight trucks, but we don't have a trained operator at this time. Looking to hire one or try to get training required for one in-house.

VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS-

Ms. VanDyke said congratulations to the board, police and fire. She is asking for help with the blood donation drive scheduled for Feb. 13, 2026, from 12pm-5pm at the Community Center, 13800 Trumbull Ave.

Ms. Ratliff stated she's seeing a lot of truck cabs parked in people's yards. Also, there are a lot of trucks speeding down Tripp St.

Ms. Sharp asked what happens when you had a speed bump on your street and they took it away, but didn't put it back?

Ms. Scott asked when the next license/ordinance meeting is

Ms. Murphy asked if there is an ordinance from 15-20 years ago, does it still stand or does it have to be changed or amended (specifically fences). We need a standard for the community.

Mr. Sheppard said we should have a standard if we want businesses to come to the village. We need to do a better job on code enforcement

Ms. Smith stated she is having trouble finding info on the website

Ms. Chismon states she is concerned about the number of homes that have car shops operating there. Shouldn't they be in a commercial zone?

Mayor advised code enforcement is going block by block to check for violations, starting in Zone 7 (by Manny's). Adjudication court is every 3rd Thursday at 5pm

Ms. VanDyke voiced concern about the freight train that sits on the track in the morning holding up the Metra train. Also concerned about the residents from the Assisted Living facility who are in the pay booth and the Metra station who are disturbing the riders, it feels unsafe.

The mayor said he appreciates everyone praying for him these last few months.

DC Buckley stated the library and the park district have their own website.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Harper to enter into executive session: Section 2 (c) (1) Personnel, Section 2 (c)(6) Sale or Lease of Real Estate, Section 2 (c) (11) Litigation.

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

Motion carried.

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

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

Motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. It was moved by Trustee Harper and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve items A, B, and D by consent.

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

Motion carried.

B. It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Holmes to table item C.

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

Motion carried.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Kelly to adjourn.

Upon a unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 10:32 PM

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk _____