

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
February 11, 2025 7:00 P.M.
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd 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 A Tiffany S. Robinson
A Ernest Maxey Jr P Gregory N. Jackson
P Thomas Harper Jr. P Michael Collier Sr

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant
P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson
A VA Korie Dickson

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? Yes

- I. It was moved by Trustee Harper and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the Regular minutes of 1-28-25.
Roll call ayes: Dyson, Harper, Jackson, Collier
Absent: Maxey, Robinson
Motion carried.
- II. Communications/Announcements
 1. Please sign up for text alerts, a cell phone number is required. Updates can also be found on the village website as well as all village social media pages.
 2. If you need assistance with paying your water bill and to avoid disconnection as well as senior services, please reach out to your local township, either Bremen 708-333-9530 or Worth 708-371-2900.
 3. The Robbins Fire Department is still assisting residents with getting free smoke detectors installed in their homes. Please contact the building dept or fire department.
 4. All income-eligible households can apply for utility assistance with CEDA, call 800-571-2332. There is also assistance if you are having problems with your furnace.
 5. The village stickers are on sale until Feb. 28th, please make sure you get your sticker before the deadline to avoid a penalty and possible ticket. Payment will be made at the water department.
 6. Inde'fini Wellness offers massage and body recovery, at the Glenn Hudson Boxing Gym 3646 w 137th St.. text/call 773-217-8653 to book an appt with licensed massage therapist Shalyla Adams-Brown
 7. Get your REAL ID by May 7, visit www.ilsos.gov to check what documents you'll need.
 8. Black history month luncheon, Sat. Feb. 15th from 11am-2pm at 13800 Trumbull Ave. Hosted by our own Mayor Darren E. Bryant, with keynote speakers Tyrone Haymore Village of Robbins Historian and Chassidy E. Keys, CEO Keynect Global.
 9. The Robbins Park District along with Robbins Friends of the park presents a Soul Food Luncheon Black History Month on Monday Feb. 17th at 11am, 13650 Claire Blvd. This is a grab-n-go event, Free to Robbins residents while food lasts. For more info call 708-577-4752

- III. A. Mayor's Report: He provided further information about the Black History Month Event. Ms. Keys will be speaking about plans for a trip to Ghana in 2026. He is very excited about the prospect of visiting the motherland.

As the storms are coming to the area, Mr. Cooper addressed the audience and asked that the citizens help public works by parking on one side of the street, to help him with plowing the streets, especially on the narrow streets. The senior snow removal program is in place. He will resend the text alert again in the morning, if you missed it today. Call the number in the text and get on the list. District 218 will have half a day, dismissal at 12:30 pm, not sure what time the elementary schools are dismissing.

B. VA Report: No report.

C. Clerk's Report: Revenue dates 1/14/25-2-10/25: Transfer Stamp Tax \$875.00, Vehicle Stickers \$1185.00, Sr. Vehicle Stickers \$1340.00, Flea market \$3360.00, Comm Center Rental \$1510.00.

Thank you to all who came out to the conversation with the Clerk this past Saturday. Thank you to Ms. Hudson who graciously offered her space at Y2G'S.

D. Treasurer's Report: It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the treasurer's report for January in the amount of \$426,918.39

Roll call ayes: Dyson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey, Robinson

Motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve a planner contract with Ernestine Berry Beck-Fulgham

Roll call ayes: Dyson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey, Robinson

Motion carried.

B. It was moved by Trustee Dyson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the amending of Ordinance 6-12-23, An ordinance regulating nuisance vegetation. New Ordinance 2-11-25.

Roll call ayes: Dyson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey, Robinson

Motion carried.

C. It was moved by Trustee Jackson and seconded by Trustee Harper to approve the amending of Ordinance 11-12-24, An ordinance creating the village owned land acquisition program. New Ordinance 2-11-25 A

Roll call ayes: Dyson, Harper, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Maxey, Robinson

Motion carried.

V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Jackson read Trustee Robinson's committee report. She will have a chit chat and chew on Feb. 15 from 9-11am at the Robbins Park District. Reps from Bremen and Worth township will be present.

Please be on the lookout for the next COW meeting

Public Safety- Dial 911 when needed, if you see something, say something. Congrats to our three new police recruits.

License/ordinance- We had a meeting on Feb. 5th, discussed the vegetation and adjacent property ordinances.

Provided her email address and phone number.

Trustee Jackson-Finance. We have a new treasurer, glad to have her here to give us guidance.

Asked DC Russell about the training that's he's requesting. Are we going to get something back from this expense and is it required by the state? DC Russell responded about the requirements, and they are trying to reallocate funds in the department.

Trustee Collier-Public works. He repeated what Mr. Cooper stated about parking on the streets.

Water-reminded citizens to pay their water accounts. There is a \$5.1 million grant for infrastructure that is ready for submission.

The mayor provided Emani (water supervisor) ph# 708-270-8180 and the Village Administrator 708-470-9890 if you have a complaint about your water bill or customer service. Please contact them, do not complain on Facebook.

Trustee Jackson -Voiced concern about fly dumping in the village, it seems to be getting out of control. Need more lighting and citizen participation.

VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS

1. Ms. Echols stated she spoke to Emani about the water running near her house and he came out to check it out.
2. Ms. Gibbs asked how soon can the house come down. Did the amendment passed today change anything? Are they gonna finish the house on 134th/Central Park?
3. Mr. Shepard said the administration is doing a good job. The Robbins Eagles are in desperate need of a practice field. He is proposing that the village allow them to level off the field at 137th/Trumbull, at no cost to the village, where 2-4 teams can practice.
4. Mrs. Murphy stated you're doing a great job. She proposed 141st/Hamlin as an alternative to 137th/Trumbull because of the danger near the main street (137th)

VII. Adjournment

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

Upon a unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk