

VILLAGE OF ROBBINS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 10, 2025, 7:00 P.M.
3323 W. 137th St. Robbins, IL
Robbins Courtroom, 2nd Floor

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (Time): 7:00 PM

BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant

Pledge of Allegiance and Lord's Prayer said in Unison

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

P David R. Dyson P Chanel Kelly
P Ernest Maxey Jr P Jeanneen Holmes
P Thomas Harper Jr. 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 Regular Minutes 5-27-25
Roll call ayes: Dyson, Maxey, Harper, Kelly, Holmes, Collier
Motion carried.
- II. 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 please reach out to your local township, either Bremen 708-333-9530 or Worth 708-371-2900.
 3. Save the date, June 19th event, Roots on the Ground, 2-6 pm sponsored by the Wm Leonard Library, 13820 Central Park. All ages welcome.
 4. Please join us every Tuesday and Thursday for chair exercises from 11:00am-2:00pm at the Robbins Park District, 13650 Claire Blvd.
 5. The Dr. Irene H. Brodie Scholarship Gala is July 17th from 6-9pm at Moraine Valley Community College, 9000 W. College Parkway, Palos Hills, IL. Tickets are \$65.00, you can scan the QR code on the flyer or you contact Yvonne Moore at 708-654-1030 or LaWanda Gosa at 708-470-9439.
 6. Alpha and Omega Foundation is offering scholarships to low-income students residing in Robbins, for students enrolling in a college or university. Scholarships are \$2000 and the deadline to apply is June 30, 2025. Applications can be found at the park district, community center, library and police department.
 7. Robbins Legends Reunion, Where Legends were Raised, July 12th, 2025 from 12pm-7pm, 13800 Trumbull Ave. There will be vendors. Fish fry, DJ and more.
 8. Hudson Academy Summer Camp starts June 23-August 31, Mon-Fri from 8am-4pm. Registration is open now until June 20th. For more information, please call 708-722-4691.

9. Sweet and Thrifty2 has a book club every Monday from 4-6pm, June 9-July 14 and a math club every Tuesday from 4-6pm, June 10-July 15 at the Robbins Community Center, 13800 Trumbull Ave. This is a free event.
10. Robbins Safe Summer Celebration Saturday June 28th from noon to 4pm. Free to the community, Food, fun, activities for everyone. 13800 Trumbull Ave.
11. Ra'Mone & Friends Whirl summer camp is June 16-August 1, Monday-Friday, 9am-1pm, 13800 Trumbull Ave.

- III. A. Mayor's Report: We are still addressing the water issues of the past two weeks. Mr. Lewis, our certified water operator, was there to explain what is happening and to answer any questions. We are still under a boil order alert, and we submitted a sample today, although we check the water every day. We were unable to resolve this ourselves and it had to be escalated to Calumet City Plumbing for help. This will be about a 3-4-week process because parts need to be ordered. This is estimated to cost \$60,000 and we are seeking assistance from Dr. McCaskill and President Preckwinkle. Please make sure you are signed up for the text alerts.

We have a new website, check it out. There will be a check released from the state in about a week to continue work in the village hall. There's about six weeks of work to still be done. We hope that we can get the second draw down before the state shuts down for the summer.

The Brodie Gala has been cancelled until the fall, date to be determined.

Thank you, citizens, for your patience as we conducted our first institute day to have training for the staff. Customer service is a major issue that will be addressed moving forward. I will be looking at how monies were spent, hirings, firings, demotions, etc.

B. VA Report: Institute Day was great. I will be working with department heads to ensure our residents are handled with care. Please email her at kdickson@robbins-il.com or phone 708-470-9890 with any concerns. We have interns aged 17-24 years working over the summer. We currently have 4 actively working and 2 additional one coming. This is a twelve-week problem and they are paid by Metropolitan Family Services.

C. Clerk's Report: Dates 4/8/25-6/9/25 Senior vehicle stickers \$330.00 Vehicle stickers \$340.00 Flea Market \$24,136.00 Transfer stamps \$950.00 Community Center Rental \$1980.00

D. Treasurers Report

It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustee Dyson to approve the treasurer's report for May in the amount of \$465,697.46

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

Motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS-

A. It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustees Holmes and Kelly to approve the Swearing in of Planning/Zoning Commissioners Warren Madkins and Bernard Ward.

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

Motion carried.

Note: Ylondia Hudson could not attend tonight.

B. It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Kelly to approve the street closure for Thursday, June 19th from 2pm-6pm for Backyard picnic celebrating Juneteenth 2025, hosted by WM. Leonard Library, 138th-139th & Central Park

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

Motion carried.

V. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Trustee Collier-He had the opportunity to attend the newly elected official seminar on Saturday. He was also able to attend part of the Institute Day at the village.

Water-the mayor already provided information about the water breaks. Supervisor Emani has a big job ahead and he thanked the citizens for their patience. Please continue to pay your water bill.

Public Works – Mr. Cooper is continuing to pick up debris from the storm and going further on cleanup in the parkways, etc. He commended public works for their hard work.

Trustee Kelly gave accolades to the mayor, village administrator and staff. She also attended the institute day and had never seen that many public works employees in all her time as a trustee. Thanked the young men for their hard work.

VI. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ms. Echols stated she will make her comment to the committee chair, the VA and then to the mayor.

Ms. Ratliff asked, "do you have to have a permit for a fence?"

Ms. Fulson stated a tree fell on her friend's car and crushed it. If a tree is hanging over the house, will the village take it down?

Mr. Ward would like to commend the water dept and the public works dept. Mr. Cooper is doing a great job. He mentioned there is dumping at 141st/Hamlin.

Ms. Ratliff stated there is a gated fence behind her house, doesn't know if it's the village or the Toll way. A tree broke off and is in her yard. ComEd did come out and cut trees off the line.

Nate Ward asked about the water park, noticed there are no garbage cans there. What about the grass, who's going to be cutting it? Are there any plans to put up cameras?

VII. Executive Session: Section 2 (c) (5)-Includes general discussion of whether land should be purchased or leased by the public body.

It was moved by Trustee Collier and seconded by Trustees Holmes, Harper and Kelly to enter into executive session

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

Motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Maxey and seconded by Trustee Dyson to reconvene into regular session.

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

Motion carried.

VIII. Adjournment

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

Upon a unanimous vote in the affirmative, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM

Sharon Dyson/Village Clerk_____