

**Minutes**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**April 25, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Monday, April 25, 2022**, in Council Chambers. Mayor Eversole-Gunter called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Roll call found the following members present: Alderman Blaney, Johnson, Cheely, Pangburn, and Hooker. Alderman Garrett was absent. City Administrator Athey, Clerk Osborne, PW Director Lake, Chief Rea, and city attorney Marc Miller were also present. Council followed all COVID 19 protocols for social distancing.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - The Mayor stood and led all attendees in The Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS FOR SINGLE-VOTE APPROVAL WITHOUT DISCUSSION)** - Alderman Johnson motioned to approve the full consent agenda. Alderman Blaney seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.

1. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting, held April 11, 2022
2. Minutes of the special Committee of the Whole meeting, held April 20, 2022
3. Financial Statements for the month ending March 31, 2022

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - None.

**ENGINEERING REPORT** - No updates presented.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR/OTHER REPORTS**

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT** - Jacki Athey reported: The budget has been updated with the March 2022 numbers. Thursday morning of this week, there will be a kickoff meeting for the Community Building project. Illinois American Water meetings for transition in billing was held. Annual depreciation to be done will include TIF transfer internally.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS** - Public Works: Director Randy Lake reports there is an issue with a resident having rock on the city right of way. Resident will be sent a letter stating the rock must be removed. The scrubber is being wired. Request for a new mower to replace the old one. The updated model has a narrower mowing deck which will accommodate the parks better, and the old mower plus a sickle mower blade we have that is not used will also be traded in on the price of a new mower. The Adams Street Lift station delivery has been delayed due to parts shortages.

Police Chief Rea: Reports there will be a training opening for the new SRO officer next month. Office Rasmussen will attend field officer training also. With the wait in receiving new squad cars, he has placed an entry on a wait list for a new one. The policy manual is done. Worker Campbell from Public Works is transferring to the Police Department.

**MAYORAL REPORT** - The Mayor wants to begin promoting the clean-up day of June 25, 2022. Since this year will have a change in the process, we want to be certain to get information out early and often to alert the public about having items ready at their curbside by 6 am that day.

**BUSINESS**

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- 1. Approve Ordinance No. 2022-MC03 - An Ordinance Revising the Villa Grove, Illinois Code of Ordinances to Provide for a Utility Tax for Water and Wastewater**-Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the Ordinance 2022-MC03. Second by Alderman Johnson. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
- 2. Approve IEPA Loan Request Nos. 7 & 8** - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve the IEPA loan request. Alderman Pangburn seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
- 3. Approve Schomburg & Schomburg Pay Request Nos. 4 and 5** - Alderman Cheely motioned to approve the pay request 4-5 to Schomburg & Schomburg for work done on the water plant scrubber so far. Alderman Johnson seconded. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
- 4. Authorization for ordering of PW mower/brush cutter** - A new mower is needed for Public Works. The old mower plus a sickle mowing blade will be traded in to keep the cost reduced. Alderman Cheely motioned to approve the purchase. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.

**CLOSED SESSION** - No Closed Session

**ADJOURNMENT**-With no further business, Alderman Blaney motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 pm. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michelle L. Osborne*

Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

XC: Mayor and City Council; Building Inspector; Department Heads; File