

**Minutes**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**September 12, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Monday, September 12, 2022**, in Council Chambers. Mayor Eversole-Gunter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call found the following members present: Alderman Blaney, Johnson, Garrett, Cheely, Hooker. Alderman Pangburn was absent. City Administrator Athey, Clerk Osborne, PW Director Lake, PD Chief Rea, 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 Blaney motioned to approve the full consent agenda. Alderman Garrett seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.

1. Minutes of the closed session of the regular Committee of the Whole meeting, held July 25, 2022
2. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting, held August 8, 2022
3. Minutes of the special Committee of the Whole meeting, held August 17, 2022
4. Minutes of the regular Committee of the Whole meeting, held August 22, 2022
5. Minutes of the closed session of the regular Committee of the Whole meeting, held August 22, 2022
6. Minutes of the special City Council meeting, held August 29, 2022
7. Authorization for the Payment of Bills
8. Financial Reports for the month ending June 30, 2022

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - No public comments made.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR/OTHER REPORTS**

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:** Jacki Athey reported: The Financial reports did not print due to errors in the software system. Illinois American Water was happy with the turnout of the Open House.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:** Public Works: Director Randy Lake reported the bucket truck is not working and needs to be replaced. This was a used older truck with a short life expectancy of about 3 years, which is almost the time we've had it. The Drainage ditch clean-out on West Street, Douglas and Pine is done. At 9 am on Tuesday, 9/13/22 the startup of the Adams Street lift station will happen.

Police report: Chief Rea reported on an issue of the Waste Management garbage trucks driving over the end of the roads at Pheasant Pointe in the dirt path area, making huge ruts in the soil and spreading mud on the pavement. This is not a road and they've been told to stop driving through there.

**MAYORAL REPORT** - The Mayor reported on viewing the water Splashpad Park in Catlin with the person who is wishing to donate to this project, and Jacki Athey being present. They liked the project and would be happy with a similar layout at our park. Alderman Johnson said the Christmas tree prices are not available yet. There was a short discussion about planning for the Summer Rec/Community Center director. The free movie is Minions Rise of Gru, on 10/7/22 at the Main Street Plaza, starting at 8:00 pm.

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**BUSINESS**

1. **Approve Ordinance 2022-MC07—An Ordinance Approving the FY23 Budget Ordinance** - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-MC07 for the FY23 Budget. Second was given by Alderman Cheely. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
2. **Ordinance 2022-MC08—An Ordinance Amending Title III, Chapter 35, Sections 35.105 and 35.106 of the Villa Grove, Illinois Code of Ordinances as They Relate to Municipal Utility Tax** - Alderman Blaney motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-MC08 for the utility tax. Alderman Hooker seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
3. **Approve future Resolution format to waive bids and accept proposals on various needs/projects of the City** - Alderman Blaney motioned to approve the resolution for waiving bids on proposals when allowed. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
4. **Potential Raises for future elected/appointed officials** - Alderman Cheely motioned to table this for further study. Alderman Garrett seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved to TABLE this to future date.
5. **Approve Broeren Russo Builders Inc Pay Applications 1 and 2** - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve the 1&2 payments to Broeren Russo. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
6. **Approve Broeren Russo Builders Inc Pay Application 3** - Alderman Garrett motioned to approve the payment 3 to Broeren Russo. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
7. **Authorize change of September 26 meeting from Committee of the Whole to Regular Council meeting** - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve changing Sept. 26 meeting to a voting regular council meeting. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.

**CLOSED SESSION** - No Closed Session

**ADJOURNMENT** - With no further business, Alderman Hooker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Blaney, yea, Johnson, yea, Garrett, yea, Cheely, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michelle L. Osborne*

Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

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