

**Minutes
Regular City Council Meeting
June 12, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Villa Grove met in regular session on **Monday, June 12, 2023**, in Council Chambers. Mayor Eversole-Gunter called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. Roll call found the following members present: Alderman Lorenz, Cheely, Pangburn, and Hooker. Aldermen Blaney and Johnson were absent. City Administrator Athey, Clerk Osborne, PW Director Mixell, PD Chief Rea, CPS Director Surowka were also present.

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 Pangburn motioned to approve the full consent agenda. Alderman Hooker seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Cheely, yea, Pangburn, yea, Hooker, yea. Motion approved.

1. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting, held May 8, 2023
2. Minutes of the closed session of the City Council meeting, held May 8, 2023
3. Minutes of the regular City Council meeting, held May 22, 2023
4. Authorization for the Payment for Bills

PUBLIC COMMENTS - No public comments.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/OTHER REPORTS

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT - Jacki Athey reported: Thursday, June 22 will be the Budget meeting with department heads at 3 pm. The Douglas County disaster exercise will be held in September as a mock train derailment. The IML Conference Registration opens this week. Other items being worked on are the real estate purchase, the Splash Pad planning, the park meeting with Jake Wolf of ERA about site planning at Richman will be Jun 21 at 3 pm. The Eagle Scout has completed and installed the Gaga Ball pit at Harrison Park.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS: Chief of Police Rea: working on some changes to the hiring process and HR rules for officers.

Director of PW Mixell report: Reports they are working on getting concrete poured to fix curbs in various areas around town. They started with the Embarrass Parking lot curbing and will move to the Subway parking lot after that, and then complete other smaller areas. They are working on miscellaneous projects for cleanup. The John Leon Park reservoir is an area of concern for cleanup and will need to be sprayed for weeds and poison ivy.

Director of CCS Surowka: There are 30 children signed up for the Summer Daze Program, which began today at Henson Park. The Rec website will be up and running on July 1, 2023. This will allow registration and scheduling of areas. Wiffle Ball will run through July and August-signups are being held now; as will Pickle Ball sign ups June 29 for an 8-week season from 6-8 pm at Richman Park Basketball courts. Progress at the Community Center site-the basketball court hoops are installed, the elevator is going in, and they are setting the Lift Station.

MAYORAL REPORT - The mayor spoke about questions on the water line insurance that is listed on water bills-and reports this is a legitimate offer but is OPTIONAL. The fireworks will be on Jun 30, 2023, at Richman Park. City Clean-up Day will be July 29, 2023, at curbside.

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BUSINESS

1. **Review/approve Rotary plans for caboose maintenance** - Mike Cline and Berton Rund were present to give an overview on the project for refurbishment of the caboose at Henson Park. The Rotary and the Lions Club will share costs with the City of Villa Grove. They have a project plan and schedule in place. The contractor for the work is from Oakwood, IL, and they do this type of niche work for stripping and painting metal. Cost estimate is \$24k. Alderman Hooker motioned to approve the site plan and project schedule for the refurbishment of the caboose. Alderman Lorenz seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
2. **Review/approve special use permit request from Rollings for motorcycle repair shop** - Alderman Pangburn motioned to approve the permit for special use. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
3. **Review/approve request from Landon Kappes regarding Eagle Scout project** - Landon Kappes submitted a request for financial assistance of up to \$350 for his Eagle Scout project. Alderman Pangburn motioned to approve the funding. Alderman Hooker seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
4. **Ordinance 2023-MC12 – An Ordinance Amending Title VII, Chapter 77: Traffic Schedules and Chapter 78: Parking Schedules of the Villa Grove, Illinois Code of Ordinances as They Relate to Recent Street Name Changes** - Alderman Cheely motioned to approve Ordinance 2023-MC12. Alderman Hooker seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
5. **Ordinance 2023-MC13 – An Ordinance Amending Title III, Chapter 30: City Council, Section 30.15 Regular Meetings of the Villa Grove, Illinois Code of Ordinances** - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve Ordinance 2023-MC13. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
6. **Ordinance 2023-MC14—An Ordinance Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Villa Grove and the State of Illinois Department of Central Management Services Regarding the Local Government Health Plan** - Alderman Cheely motioned to approve Ordinance 2023-MC14. Alderman Pangburn seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
7. **Broeren Russo Pay Request No 11 (April work FY23)** - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve payment of BR Req No. 11. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
8. **Broeren Russo Pay Request No 12 (May work FY24) –if received**-Alderman Hooker motioned to table this item since the request has not been received yet. Alderman Pangburn seconded the motion to table. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved to table.

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9. **Approve landscaping supply quote from Country Arbors Nursery for Police Dept** - Alderman Lorenz motioned to approve the landscaping supply purchase for the EMS building. Alderman Pangburn seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
10. **Approve purchase or lease of Sharp copier from GFI Digital for Police Dept** - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve the purchase or lease of a Sharp copier from GFI Digital for the Police Department. Alderman Lorenz seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
11. **Approve purchase of AEDs and related supplies from Vital Education & Supply for Fire Dept (FY23 budget)** - Alderman Hooker motioned to approve the purchase of AEDs and related supplies from Vital Education & Supply for the Fire Department. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
12. **Approve spraying of parks/boulevards for poison ivy/oak for Public Works Dept** - Alderman Pangburn motioned to approve for Public Works to be spraying for poisonous weeds at the parks and boulevards. Alderman Lorenz seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.
13. **Approve a resolution for land lease agreement with Lois Jones** - Alderman Pangburn motioned to approve a resolution for a land lease agreement with Lois Jones. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.

CLOSED SESSION - No closed session was held.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business, Alderman Hooker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm. Alderman Cheely seconded the motion. Roll Call: Lorenz, yea, Pangburn, yea, Cheely, yea, and Hooker, yea. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Osborne

Michelle L. Osborne, City Clerk

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