

# Village of Donnellson

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## Village Board Meeting Minutes

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September 12, 2022

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gary Long.

A public meeting was held, beginning at 6:50 p.m., to provide the public about the proposed federally funded Pedestrian Facilities Improvement project. A representative from the engineering firm of Milano & Grunloh attended, provided information, and answered questions. The public meeting concluded at 7:07 p.m.

Gary Long (acting mayor for this meeting) opened the meeting at 7:08 pm.

### **Roll Call Completed:**

**Present:** Trustees: Gary Long (acting as mayor), Kenneth Buckingham, Jo Tate, David Buckingham, and Tyler Tarran, Clerk/Treasurer-Sheryl Reynolds, Clerk-Diane Dankoski, and Water Superintendent- Bill Grider. **Absent:** President Darrell Jett, Trustee Fran Jett, Chief of Police-Wayne Watkins, and Meter Reader-Mark Reynolds.

### **Meeting Minutes:**

- Dave Buckingham made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 8, 2022 meeting. Ken Buckingham seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Ken Buckingham made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Dave Buckingham. All were in favor.

### **Monthly Bills:**

- Clerk/Treasurer Sheryl Reynolds read some additions to the bills. A motion to pay the bills was made by Dave Buckingham and seconded by Ken Buckingham. All were in favor.

### **Clerk/Treasurer Questions:**

- Clerk/Treasurer Sheryl Reynolds explained that the road work bill was \$1,093.25 higher than originally estimated due to raises in oil and labor costs. Bill Grider will seek permission from IDOT to pay the full bill from the Motor Fuel Fund.
- Additionally, Sheryl Reynolds requested funds transfer. Ken Buckingham made a motion to open a new account at FCB, called General #2. It was seconded by Tyler Tarran and passed with all ayes.

### **Trustee Concerns:**

- Trustee Tyler Tarran expressed concern about the lack of police protection from our village police chief. Discussion ensued.
- Trustee Dave Buckingham expressed concern about the long-term boil order and the effects on the customers. Discussion ensued.

### **Water/Sewer Concerns:**

- Water Superintendent Bill Grider explained about the emergency hook-up with EJ Water Cooperative. The only way we can buy EJ Water is if Greenville is no longer able to supply us water.

### **Policies and Practices:** None

**Public Comments:**

- A concerned citizen again addressed the board about a neighbors grass needing mowing.
- Another citizen addressed the board concerning weeds along Rt. 127 on commercial property.

**Roads and Parks:**

- Gary Long reported that all of the road work was completed on September 1, 2022.

**Police:** None

**Ordinances:**

- Dave Buckingham made a motion to not accept Resolution 22-03, Resolution of Funding Support for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program Cycle 15-2022 Grant Project, as written. It was seconded by Ken Buckingham. The resolution failed as a roll call vote was taken: Ken Buckingham-NO, Jo Tate-NO, Tyler Tarran-NO, Dave Buckingham-NO.
- Dave Buckingham made a motion to forego the sidewalk project. It was seconded by Ken Buckingham and passed with all ayes.

**Grants:** None

**Internal Financial Review:**

- The financial review for August is incomplete and will be completed soon.

**Old Business:**

- Mitch Hardiek from the engineering firm of Milano & Grunloh explained the progress on the DCEO Public Infrastructure Grant Application for the water tower and lines.
- Work is continuing on the EPA Operating Permit to connect with EJ Water.
- ARPA work continues.

- Scheffle Boyle continues to work on the audit, but is on hold due to the incomplete audit from FY 19-20. Sheryl Reynolds explained the difficulties.

**New Business:**

- Ken Buckingham made a motion to no longer proceed with the Brown & Roberts water tower refurbish funding. It was seconded by Dave Buckingham. The motion passed with a roll call vote: Ken Buckingham-AYE, Jo Tate-AYE, Tyler Tarran-AYE, Dave Buckingham-AYE.
- Sheryl Reynolds reported that 6 of 6 mosquito sprayings have been completed.
- Dave Buckingham made a motion to bypass the purchase of a CD this month. It was seconded by Ken Buckingham and passed with all ayes.

With no further business to discuss, Dave Buckingham made a motion to adjourn; Tyler Tarran seconded the motion, all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Recorded and submitted by:

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Sheryl Reynolds, Village Clerk/Treasurer