

**VILLAGE OF NEW MILFORD
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2024**

Timothy H. Owens called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Roll call was taken with Timothy H. Owens, Sharon K. Baumgartner, Ron Colvin, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Wendy Roop, Julie Wagner, Dan Wolf, Adam Bunge and Jim Stevens in attendance.

A motion by Wendy Roop second by Deanna Rodgers to adopt the agenda, motion carried voice vote taken ayes (6) Ron Colvin, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Wendy Roop, Julie Wagner and Dan Wolf nays (0) absent (0) abstain (0).

A motion by Deanna Rodgers second by Ron Colvin to approve the minutes of the 9/24/2024 Committee Meeting motion carried voice vote taken ayes (6) Ron Colvin, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Wendy Roop, Julie Wagner and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0) abstain (0).

A motion by Deanna Rodgers second by Wendy Roop to approve the minutes of the 9/10/2024 Board Meeting motion carried voice vote taken ayes (6) Ron Colvin,, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Wendy Roop, Julie Wagner and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0) abstain (0).

A motion by Deanna Rodgers second by Dan Wolf to accept the Financial Statement of September 2024, motion carried voice vote taken ayes(6) Ron Colvin, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Wendy Roop, Julie Wagner, and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0) abstain (0).

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

Vanessa Posadas who lives at 6022 Alamo Drive wants to build a garage in their backyard, Jim stated that the village only allows for an accessory building to be 600 sq. ft or under, so they would need to adjust the size to 29 x 24, Jim told he would talk to them after the meeting about what they need to fill out.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Tim reported that he got the zoning paperwork for Marty Maggio's property at 1911 Baxter Road and 3528 Rotary Road, he gave it to Jim to process. Tim reported on the Adriane Dean lawsuit, he and Jim attended the meeting and

settled on \$9,000 and that she would give up the .COM. They added that the ZBA Members and the attorney need to complete Disabilities Awareness Training. The good thing is that we do not have to go to court for the case. Tim reported he has not received any update on the weather alert system. Victory Park is making lots of progress, he told the board members they need to go check it out if they have not done so. Josh Wakeley, the farmer that farmed the 62 acres this year, has harvested the crop and wants to lease it for another year. Tim asked the board if they want to keep it at \$100/acres. The board agreed that that was a good price. Tim reported that Trajectory Energy wants to have a public meeting to inform the community about the solar project and how they can hook up and present the board with the \$10,000 check. We will have it before the committee meeting on October 22nd. Tim and Jim will be going to a meeting with the Winnebago about the recapture agreement. Tim asked the board when they want the Trick or Treat hours for the village, everyone stated they want 5-7 PM. Tim asked someone to call the news station and let them know. Tim addressed the matter on the Mowing Contract for the village, Greg Tucker submitted his contract for the next year for \$1,225.00 we do not have to go out to bid for anything under \$25,000. However we have one more person who would like to bid for the job also. Tim reported that he received notice on BFI Landfill in Davis Junction, they will hold a public meeting to extend the facility's closure period another 10 years, it will be held at Rochelle Public Library on November 4th from 10:30 to 12:30 PM. Tim reported on the mobile homes that The Firm were told they needed to move and did not meet the setbacks. We thought there were only 2, but there are 3. Tim asked Adam to review and report back, Adam passed out what he found. The board felt they were too close to the road, but if you look at other homes they are close to the road also. We need to make sure from now on they follow the village guidelines, and for now have Jim send them a letter granting a variance for the 3 mobile homes. Tim reported that the Trunk or Treat will be on October 19th from 2:30 to 4:30 pm and the movie will be at 6:30 PM at the fire station. There will be a thank you party for Jon Trail from 3-6 pm on October 14th.

CLERK UPDATES/COMMUNICATIONS:

None

ENGINEER REPORT:

Adam reported that Victory Park is making great progress, waiting to hear from FastSign and Helm on progress on the sign and the street lights.

New Milford - Municipal Engineering Status Report October 8, 2024

NM 2024 Street Project – Approved

- **Rock Roads has completed the pond restoration work. Adam will coordinate with them over final pond quantities for project closeout.**
- **Change Order for the Storm Structure correction up for Village Board Approval.**

OSLAD Park Design – Upper Park Development

- **Victory Park Removals Project. – DPI has also been awarded the Victory Park Project. Coordination with the benches will be much easier.**

• Victory Park Project

o The Contractor has finished paving and striping the parking lot. The playground has been mulched, and they are preparing for the striping of the pickleball courts.

o Adam has been coordinating with DPI over quantities and adjustments to the plans per RPD.

Village Entrance Sign – C.E.S. is coordinating with FastSigns and IDOT to replace 2 existing Village signs in IDOT ROW, for a total of 3 Village signs provided by FastSigns. The sign permits have been approved by IDOT. The Village Board has approved the invoice from FastSigns.

Old Business:

Snow Removal – 50.9 T currently in bin (05/06/24)

I-39 Corridor – Construction on the Water Main Extension project continues.

We have been coordinating with the Contractor and onsite inspector very often to ensure we get our Asbuilt data collected as required.

o Due to the directional drilling, construction is estimated to take 6 months.

62 Acres Commercial Sub – [Subdivision Name TBD]

- **Final design for the pond may depend on available entrances off IL-251.**
- **IDOT suggested access may be permitted, but subject to their review. To be clear, direct access is not allowed, but they are open to an access road that connects to a Village owned roadway within the subdivision. – Kevin is finalizing his proposal for Village review based on IDOT’s comments.**

• Tim, Jim, Kevin, and Adam met to review the Prelim Plat Proposal. Kevin has reached out to FRSA for sanitary in the area to assist design. Kevin to submit a Proposal for 62 Acre Commercial Sub Prelim Plat – (on hold)

Mobile Home Upper and Lower Park Staking

- **The Upper Park has been “locked in” by our surveyor; they continue to investigate the lower park to finalize the survey.**

- Adam has prepared exhibits for Board review of the 4 new mobile homes placed in the Upper Park.

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Jim reported he is still waiting to hear from the EPA about the water pressure, he is also waiting to hear back from the county on Leonard Road. Dylan Peters the farmer we are suing did not show up, so now the next court date is November 8th, if he does not show up they will send the police after him. Tim stated he had spoke to Jim about why the village is not getting any money from Hard Rock Casino, he would like to get with other communities that are not getting anything else and get a lawyers to help, Jim stated his law firm represents Machesney Park and they are receiving money, so we would have to hire another law firm.

BILLS TO BE PAID:

A motion by Eileen Owens second by Deanna Rodgers to pay the bills, \$346,968.90 motion carried voice vote taken ayes (6) Ron Colvin, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Wendy Roop, Julie Wagner and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0)abstain (0).

PUBLIC WORKS, PUBLIC SAFETY & ORDINANCE

1. Wendy Roop reported on the sheriff's report –report on file. They patrolled for September 2024 62.18 hours, and they patrolled 2.42 hours per day.

2.Jon Trail reported on the fire department report they had 102 calls for September 2024 in New Milford.

3.A motion by Deanna Rodgers second by Wendy Roop to approve Ordinance #2024-8 An ordinance authorizing the execution of a first amendment to the Development Agreement for the Village of New Milford, Illinois Pins 15-25-400-004, 15-25-400-007 and part of pin 15-25-400-020 (Solar Farm) motion carried voice vote taken ayes (6) Ron Colvin, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Wendy Roop, Julie Wagner, and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0) abstain (0).

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, FINANCE & ANNEXATION:

1. A motion by Deanna Rodgers second by Julie Wagner to approve the additional \$4,000 on the retention pond for Rock Road for the resetting pond

outlet structure motion carried voice vote taken ayes (6) Ron Colvin, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, Wendy Roop, Julie Wagner, and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0) abstain (0).

LIQUOR COMMISSION:

1.None

A motion by Wendy Roop second by Deanna Rodgers to adjourn the meeting, motion carried voice vote taken ayes (6) Ron Colvin, Eileen Owens, Deanna Rodgers, WendyRoop, Julie Wagner and Dan Wolf, nays (0) absent (0) abstain (0). Meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

**Sharon K. Baumgartner
Village Clerk/Treasurer**