

**Minutes of the Village of Forrester Board of Trustees**  
**New Village Hall**  
**Monday December 19, 2022, 7:00 PM**

Village President Metzger calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance is recited by all.

On Roll Call by Clerk Shenberger, President Metzger, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, Chief Thiel, Maintenance Supervisor Timm, Treasurer Schneiderman, Trustee Buss, Busker, and Kalina are in attendance. Four members from the public are in attendance.

The Minutes of the December 5, 2022, meeting are reviewed. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the minutes and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, and Kalina all respond with Yeas.

The Minutes of the December 12, 2022, Executive Special Board Meeting are reviewed. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge to approve the minutes and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Cotter. On Roll Call, Trustees Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, Kalina, and Norris all Respond with Yeas.

Public Comment – Jane stated she wanted to thank Scott and Chris for all their help with Christmas in the country. She asked if anything was going to be put up around the towers that were installed at the library and New Village Hall. She also asked if the board members get paid for the special board meetings that have been held in November and December. She stated that cost tax payers about \$1200.

Building Permits – Shorty's Slots – Sign permit. The sign will be 24 inches tall by 96 inches long. There will be one on each side of the building. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the sign permit and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Vinnedge. On Roll Call, Trustees Vinnedge, Buss, Busker, Kalina, Norris, and Cotter all respond with Yeas.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Schneiderman reviews his report. Motion is made by Trustee Norris to approve the report and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kalina. On Roll call, Trustees Buss, Busker, Kalina, Norris, Cotter, and Vinnedge all respond with Yeas.

Accounts Payable are reviewed by the Board. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the Accounts Payable with the HVAC and Zettle Brothers invoices moved to line 01-01-0495 and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kalina. On Roll Call, Trustees Busker, Kalina, Cotter, Vinnedge and Buss all respond with Yeas. Trustee Norris Abstains from the vote.

**Committee Reports:**

Streets & Alleys -Trustee Buss nothing to report.

Sewer and Water – Trustee Vinnedge nothing to report.

Finance - Trustee Norris stated there will be a finance committee meeting on December 28, 2022, at 6pm at the New Village Hall.

Budget Officers Report – Budget Officer Schneiderman reviewed his report. Motion is made by Trustee Kalina to approve the report and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. On Roll Call, Trustees Kalina, Norris, Cotter, Vinnedge, Buss, and Busker all respond with Yeas.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Zoning, Planning - Trustee Cotter nothing to report.

Ordinances – Trustee Vinnedge stated they had a meeting with Rob to discuss the water and sewer ordinances about the delinquent accounts. They also discussed the sale of the old village hall as well. He also has a parking ordinance and public safety and health ordinance for review. He stated that he is going to look into the TNR ordinance.

New Building Committee as a whole – President Metzger discussed the move date and that he would like to close village hall when we do make the move. He asked Chief Thiel if the internet is ready. Chief stated that it is, but we would need to port over the phone numbers. There were some dates thrown around. Clerk Shenberger stated she was going to discuss the dates during her report so the board could have their input. She stated that he was looking at the first week in January. President Metzger said they only issue he has with the first week in January is that we are already closed on the 1<sup>st</sup>. Discussion was had on other weeks in January and came up with possibly the first week in February. Chief Thiel will talk with Cory from Leaf River Communication and get a date set.

Trustee Norris left the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Clerk's Report – Clerk Shenberger brought up the cleaning bill for the new building. It will be more because of the size. She also talked about vacation payout for the end of the year.

Chief of Police Report – Chief Thiel stated they responded to a call of tires slashed. There was a business that accepted a fake \$100 bill. They also responded to a disturbance at Smokin Gun Worx. He had a meeting about the safety act going into effect. He said they will be doing business as usual.

Supt of Public Works Report – Maintenance Supervisor Timm reviewed his report for the month. They hauled brush and cleaned up the area. They serviced trucks and backhoe and replaced brakes on 1 ton truck. They put the plow and spreader on the leaf vac truck. They hauled gravel and chips in for winter. They also marked out curb stops and mains for phase 2 water main replacement project.

Village President's Report – President Metzger stated during the meeting with Rob we talked again about the recodifying of the ordinances. It is something that we need to get done. He also stated that he is doing evaluations Wednesday at 10am.

New Business – Forreston Vet Clinic BDD – They will be putting new windows facing the alley. Motion is made by Trustee Cotter to approve the BDD and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Vinnedge. On roll Call, Trustees Buss, Busker, Kalina, Cotter, and Vinnedge all respond with Yeas. Trustee Norris is absent.

Trustee Cotter also discussed the insurance renewals for this next year. He also asked if the library could get BDD money for cameras. They have been having some issues at the building with snow getting put in the book drop box and books have been ruined. Trustee Buss asked if they could apply for the economic development grant.

Old Business – President Metzger stated he talked with Rob about options for selling the old building when the time comes. He is going to get us more information.

President Metzger will entertain a motion for adjournment. Motion is made by Trustee Vinnedge and is 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Busker. All are in favor. The Meeting is adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Shenberger