

Village of Cambridge
124 W Exchange St
Cambridge IL 61238
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
Monday, June 26, 2023

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Village of Cambridge President and members of the Board of Trustees of Cambridge, IL held on Monday, June 26, 2023.

CALL TO ORDER: President Beam called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Present: President Beam, Village Administrator Steve Brown, Village Clerk Sarah Jern, Village Attorney Jeff Jacobs, and Trustees Bennett via phone, Brandau, Galle, Johnson. Absent: Trustee Taylor.

ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA? Add a Letter K: A motion to approve a BYOB fundraising event being held on July 29, 2023, at College Square to the Board Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Appropriation Public Hearing Minutes May 22, 2023
Regular Monthly Board Meeting minutes from May 22, 2023
Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes June 19, 2023
May 2023 Finance Report
Approval of Bills List

President Beam asked if anyone wanted anything from the Consent Agenda separated and discussed further. No one did. A motion to accept the Consent Agenda items was made by Trustee Johnson. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Galle. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

REPORTS: Staff:

S Brown: Dog park items are to be ordered- 2 sets. Discussed property next to Subway.

S Jern: Nothing to report.

J Jacobs: Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Safety: Discussion of K9 Unit up for vote tonight.

Buildings & Facilities: Nothing to report.

Cemetery: Nothing to report.

Economic Development: Discussed the progress being made on The Kitchen. RDA's up for vote tonight.

Finance: Nothing to report.

Parks: Sidewalk and fencing at the park are still in progress. Discussed Hand Park pavilion being redone sometime during the summer/fall.

Personnel: Discussed extending the application for public works position deadline.

Refuse: Nothing to report.

Streets & Alleys: Discussed Center Street being done in August.

Water/Sewer: Discussed meeting with Leo before accepting the lead sewer line grant.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) **Consideration to approve appointment of trustee to fill vacancy.** A motion to approve the appointment of Ryan Franck to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Trustee Shawn Stiles was made by Trustee Galle. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Johnson. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: None.
- b) **Consideration to approve new part-time K-9 unit to patrol Cambridge for additional hourly rate.** A motion to approve a new part-time K-9 unit to patrol Cambridge for additional hourly rate was made by Trustee Johnson. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Brandau. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: None.
- c) **Consideration to approve ordering a new emergency siren for \$12,968.00.** A motion to approve ordering a new emergency siren for \$12,968.00 was made by Trustee Brandau. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Johnson. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: None.
- d) **Consideration to approve zoning variance for property located to the south of 221 South 1st Street.** A motion to approve the zoning variance for property located to the south of 221 South 1st Street was made by Trustee Galle. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Johnson. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Bennett. Abstain: None.
- e) **Consideration to approve improvement grant request for \$500.** A motion to approve the improvement grant request for \$500 for Jolene Allen was made by Trustee Johnson. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Brandau. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: None.
- f) **Consideration to approve recommended annual downtown beautification awards.** A motion to approve the recommended annual downtown beautification awards was made by Trustee Franck. Discussion: Cambridge Motorsports was awarded \$2,500.00, Vibrant Health Chiropractic was awarded \$4,500.00, The Combine was awarded \$10,000.00, and Dave Reppert was awarded \$3,000.00. Second: Trustee Brandau. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck and Galle. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Bennett. Abstain: Trustee Johnson.
- g) **Consideration to approve RDA with Chris Thompson Ordinance #23-11.** A motion to approve the RDA with Chris Thompson Ordinance #23-11 was made by Trustee Galle. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Brandau. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck, and Galle. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: Trustee Johnson.

- h) Consideration to approve RDA with Grandma's Kitchen Ordinance #23-12.** A motion to approve the RDA with Grandma's Kitchen was made by Trustee Galle. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Bennett. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck and Galle. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: Trustee Johnson.

A motion to approve moving to closed session was made by Trustee Johnson, Seconded by Trustee Galle. All voted yes.

X. CLOSED SESSION

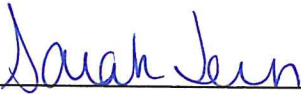
- i) Employee Merit Review.**

A motion to move back into open session was made by Trustee Johnson. Second: Trustee Brandau. All voted yes.


XI. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

- j) Consideration to approve merit increase for Employee #1.** A motion to approve merit increase for employee #1 was made by Trustee Johnson. Discussion: Merit increase was approved. Second: Trustee Franck. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: None.
- k) Consideration to approve BYOB fundraising event being held at College Square on July 29, 2023.** A motion to approve the fundraising event being held at College Square on July 29, 2023, was made by Trustee Bennett. Discussion: None. Second: Trustee Galle. Upon Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: None.

ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Galle, seconded by Trustee Johnson Discussion: None. Roll Call: Ayes: Trustees Bennett, Brandau, Franck, Galle, and Johnson. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Taylor. Abstain: None. With the motion approved by all to end the meeting at 6:52 p.m.



Sarah Jern, Village Clerk



Jason Beam, Village President