

**VILLAGE OF NORWOOD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
October 15, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

POINTED OUT THE LOCATION OF THE EXITS ON THE EAST AND WEST WALLS OF THE MEETING ROOM. ADVISED THAT THE ROOM HAS CAPACITY FOR 220 PEOPLE.

Attendees: Mayor Mark Tebo
Trustee Michael diVincenzo
Trustee Robin Fetter
Trustee Lisa Levison
Trustee Matthew Tebo
Village Clerk Jessica Nezezon
DPW Superintendent Dan McGregor
Code Enforcement Jeff Murray
Police Chief Shawn Wells
Fire Chief Jeremy French

Guests: Dick & Sharon Bastille, Nate Durand

1. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee diVincenzo and Seconded by Trustee Levison to accept the minutes from the September 17, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

A motion was made by Trustee Tebo and Seconded by Trustee Fetter to accept the minutes from the September 17, 2024 Executive Session.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

2. OCTOBER 2024 MONTHLY EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110,036.58 CHARGEABLE TO THE FOLLOWING FUNDS:

A motion was made by Trustee Levison and Seconded by Trustee Tebo to approve the expenditures for the month of October 2024 in the amount of \$110,036.58 chargeable to the following funds:

General Fund	\$ 93,740.94
Water Fund	\$ 933.76
Sewer Fund	\$ 14,970.32
Trust & Agency	\$ 391.56
TOTAL	\$ 110,036.58

Ayes 4 Nays 0

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Fire Chief Jeremy French reported a streetlight out on Ashley Street. DPW will repair the light.

4. DPW REPORT

Reviewed written report. Trustee Levison thanked the DPW for repairing the sidewalk on Park Street as well as for the clean up of the park before and after the Autumn Arts Festival. DPW Superintendent Dan McGregor reported that he had looked into prices for excavators and would like the Board of Trustees to approve the purchase. Dan reported that an excavator would be useful for the Village and could be purchased with funds from the CHIPS refund that will be received in December. Trustee Levison commented that another use for those funds could go toward sidewalk repairs. The Board agreed to discuss in Executive Session.

5. CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Reviewed written report. Code Enforcement Officer Jeff Murray reported he is looking into grants to assist with the cost of the clean up of the old school on Prospect Street. A concern is the possibility of asbestos in the bricks and how to dispose of them if they are contaminated; also, if any buyers are interested in purchasing the property, the sale may not be permitted with the presence of asbestos. Code Officer Murray will report updates at the next Board meeting.

6. MUNICIPAL WATER/WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT REPORT

Reviewed written report. DPW Superintendent Dan McGregor reported the patching of the lagoons has been completed and a final quote for the pump station upgrades are expected soon.

7. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Reviewed written report. Police Chief Shawn Wells reported that he has received reports of theft of marijuana from personal property in the Village from 3 different residents. He expressed concerns this may become an issue and there are likely to have been more thefts that have occurred that have not been reported. The Board asked Chief Wells for his suggestions of how to regulate marijuana in the Village; he agreed to put together a document and will share at the next Board meeting.

8. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Reviewed written report. Fire Chief Jeremy French requested financial reports for the Fire Department accounts and a possible audit. Trustee Levison reported that Annual Financial Reporting/Filing for the last 3 years had not been completed for the Village; this could mean that dollar amounts reported to the Fire Department in these years may not have been correct. We are working to pull data from paper and electronic files to complete and report accurate financial data for all accounts. Progress has been made toward this goal and we will look into and report the current balances of the Fire Department accounts. Chief French expressed interest in the Fire Association purchasing the old school building/property on Prospect Street. He and Code Officer Murray will meet to discuss research findings.

9. MAYORS COMMENTS

Mayor Tebo reported a blood drive is being held at the Municipal Building on October 17 and encouraged the Board to spread the word. Mayor Tebo thanked Dick and Sharon Bastille for their hard work in organizing and executing a successful Autumn Arts Festival. He praised them for gathering the community and getting the local businesses involved and invited them to lead the committee again next year in which they agreed.

10. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

No Trustee comments.

A motion was made by Trustee Tebo and Seconded by Trustee Fetter to enter into executive session at 6:40 p.m.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Trustee Tebo and Seconded by Trustee Fetter to exit from executive session at 7:00 p.m.

Ayes 4 Nays 0

A motion was made by Trustee Tebo and Seconded by Trustee Fetter to adjourn the regular Board meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Ayes 4 Nays 0