

**VILLAGE OF ROSCOE  
10631 Main Street  
Roscoe, Illinois 61073**

**Village Board Minutes  
Tuesday, December 20, 2022  
6:30 PM**

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**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL**

Present: Trustee Gustafson, Keene, Mallicoat, Petty, Plock and Dunn

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 minutes per speaker)**

President Szula called on Village Administrator Sanders to briefly provide some background information on the Residential Waste Hauling Agreement before public comment. Administrator Sanders stated that the last time the Village negotiated anything for Waste Hauling was at the end of 2017, which went into effect in 2018 with Advance Disposal, which during the contract was bought out by Waste Management. Advance Disposal became the Village of Roscoe's vendor by a public bid process back around 2015/2016, by public solicitation of bids, which were the lowest. The first opportunity to renegotiate was in 2017; the contract that was negotiated was a strong contract negotiated at a \$15.00 per month flat rate for five years, which included pick-up service, recycling, and bulk. During the agreement, Advance Disposal and Waste Management came to the Village pleading for an increase due to economic factors, rising fuel costs, and seismic shifts in the recycling industry caused by China not taking any recycling from the US. The Village never adjusted the rate, and The Village was aware that there would be a rate increase. Administrator Sanders stated he had wished he had done more during the year to make everyone aware that an increase was coming, even though he didn't know what the increasing amount would be. Mid-year 2022 the Village started negotiations with Waste Management, and the first numbers were extremely high compared to what is being voted on now. In September, the board was advised about the negotiations to go out to bid. The board authorized the bid in October, and the market is dominated by two vendors: Rock River Disposal and Waste Management. Administrator

Sanders stated he called local companies and found out they were already subsidiaries of Waste Management. Administrator Sanders pointed out that the article written and published recently pointed out Lentell Disposal as local favorite. Administrator Sanders stated Lentell Disposal was not an option as they do not bid on this type of work, and he did not want the public to perceive that an opportunity was missed or ignored when Lentell Disposal are not a player in this sector. Administrator Sanders stated that two bids were received, and he had thought Rock River Disposal would come in lower, but they did not. It was asked for the bidding to have several different scopes of work, including what the Village currently had; every week recycling, yard waste, and unlimited bulk (52 bulk items a year, one free each week). Administrator Sanders stated that every other week recycling was to see what kind of savings and yard waste as a rider. Once the public bid was settled, it was presented to the board, and a straw poll vote was to move forward with Waste Management Option # 2, weekly collection of trash and bulk, recycling, and seasonal yard waste every other week. The price was \$25.50 Waste Management and competitor \$26.90. It would have been \$4.00 more to maintain weekly recycling. Since the November 15th meeting, Attorney Kurlinkas and Administrator Sanders have been working on the contract. Waste Management does the billing quarterly, and the billing goes out in advance; regrettably, the bill went out before this meeting. Administrator Sanders concluded that if the Village could have received a lower price, they would have, stating this is the cheapest rate and will be voted on this evening.

- Mike Sima | 7422 Deer Crossing, Roscoe  
Mr. Sima started out by thanking Administrator Sanders for the transparency, but believes it could have been used November 15<sup>th</sup>, and eliminated a lot of questions with bill and what is going on. Mr. Sima stated that he is looking to see how improvements can be made with the communications between the constituents and the Village Board. Mr. Sima wanted to provide comment, that the residents of Roscoe are responsible for the payment of the waste hauling, and relying on board as elected officials to negotiate on the resident's behalf in a transparent manner. Mr. Sima stated he is disappointed in how the selection process is proceeded, stating on November 15, Administrator Sanders provided the board with an overview between the Rock River Disposal and Waste Management bids, but the residents were not provided the overview, stating the options and costs were not posted on the website. Mr. Sima stated that the only option was the November 15<sup>th</sup> board minutes, which were not posted until December 19<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Sima doesn't feel that a straw pole vote should not give the Village Administrator the option to proceed with contract. Mr. Sima stated that the press release was misleading, and that an agreement should not have been based on a straw poll. Mr. Sima asked to postpone the vote, stating this seems like a done deal.
- William Babcock | 10771 Main Street, Roscoe  
Mr. Babcock wanted to ask how is it that the vote is not taken and this week people were receiving bills that were going from \$45.00 to \$76.00. Mr. Babcock stated this is not acceptable, and the board does not listen and that is why he is running to replace this group.

- Kristine Dirks | 5534 Ter Moat Ct, Roscoe  
Mr. Dirks stated has been in Roscoe for 2 years, and retires on a fixed income. Ms. Dirks stated she is happy with Waste Management; however, she is concerned that the board is making a vote where the residents have no control over. She stated she has 3 bags of garbage a week with little recycling and no yard waste. Why does she have to pay for the yard waste service when she doesn't use it?
- Chris Marks | 5566 Ter Moat Ct, Roscoe  
Ms. Marks wanted to know why the Village did not check out Lentell's put in a bid? Administrator Sanders stated that Lentell's does not bid on municipal projects. Ms. Marks asked why Waste Management couldn't give seniors a break.
- Carl Dirks | 5534 Ter Moat Ct, Roscoe  
Mr. Dirks wanted to express his frustrations about this being a 70% increase. Stating it's a 70% increase and divide that by 5 years is a 14% increase per year. He stated this is ridiculous.
- Keith Liston | 7349 Timber Ridge Rd, Roscoe  
Mr. Liston stated that Mike stated everything he wanted to say, and added that its wrong that the residents did not have any say. Mr. Liston stated he looked at the Rock River Disposal submission and why didn't the board take the 10-year commitment when it was less than what was chosen.

##### **5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mark Szula**

President Szula acknowledged the retirement of Chief Shoefflin for the Harlem Roscoe Fire Department. Chief Shoefflin has 19 years of experience in fire service and was named chief of the Harlem-Roscoe department in 2008. He served as president of the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association in 2020-2021. President Szula thanked Chief Shoefflin for her service and wished him a happy retirement.

President Szula called on Attorney Kurlinkas to address the straw poll. Attorney Kurlinkas stated that straw poll is something done to get the direction of how the board is leaning. Attorney Kurlinkas stated it is true that the board needs to make a formal vote and take final action. Attorney Kurlinkas pointed out that there is not an approved contract currently and straw poll is not a final vote or action. It is a method used to a help provided direction of which the board wants to go with.

Administration Sanders stated the straw poll provides direction and identifies the choice of the choices presented for vendor and options. On November 15, the board made a choice of the vendor and option, which then gave direction to do contract. Administrator Sanders stated that he does not begrudge anyone with a distaste about the dollar amount. Administrator Sanders stated that most communities attach their garbage to another utility such as water or sewer, Roscoe does not have this. The request of the vendor is to

put all responsibility on the garbage company for setting up accounts of the \$25.50, \$3.50 is billing fee. Administrator Sanders stated 70% of Roscoe uses yard waste, and a decision was made to take the cheapest rate for the majority of the people to include yard waste.

## **6. TREASURER'S REPORT – Mark Olson**

### **6.1. Cash Report and Bills**

The total bills to be submitted for approval are expenditures per list of **\$131,527**

Payroll expenses: **\$91,936**

Cash on hand after payment of the bills **\$8,851,402**

Motor Fuel expenditures: **\$10,576**

Cash on hand in the Motor Fuel fund is: **\$1,210,705**

### **6.2. Approval of Bills**

President Szula entertained a **motion**,

Trustee Keene made a **motion to approve**.

**Second** by Trustee Plock

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Gustafson, Petty, Dunn, Mallicoat, Keene, Plock- YES.

Motion Passed: 6-0-0

### **6.3. YTD Report Revenues and Expenses**

Not discussed

## **7. CONSENT AGENDA (NO DISCUSSION REQUIRED)**

### **7.1. Approval of Minutes from the December 6, 2022 Village Board Meeting.**

President Szula entertained a **motion**,

Trustee Plock made a **motion to approve**.

**Second** by Trustee Mallicoat

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Petty, Gustafson, Dunn, Keene, Mallicoat and Plock- YES.

Motion Passed: 6-0-0

## **8. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS (FINAL ACTION)**

### **8.1. Approval of Resolution 2022-R73, authorizing entering into a franchise agreement with Waste Management of Illinois, Inc. to provide Residential Waste Hauling Services within the Village of Roscoe.**

President Szula entertained a **motion**,

Trustee Keene made a **motion to approve**.

**Second** by Trustee Plock

Discussion: Trustee Gustafson inquired about the maximum weight of the bulk item, Attorney Kurlinkas stated that is for on the curb, but you would need to call Waste Management for anything heavier. This would be done to schedule a different truck to come pick up the item. Trustee

Gustafson inquired about white goods or appliance, billed in advance in the amount of \$50.00. Trustee Gustafson wanted to know when the new totes would be distributed, Administrator Sanders stated it will start middle of January, and retrieving the old ones. Trustee Gustafson stated she also requested a list of the fees, and would like to know where this is. Attorney Kurlinkas went over the list of fees that are in the contract.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Mallicoat, Plock, Keene and Dunn -YES.  
Trustee Petty and Gustafson - NO  
Motion Passed: 4-2

**8.2. Approval of Resolution 2022-R74, approving amendments to the Village of Roscoe's Fund Balance and Reserve Policy**

President Szula entertained a **motion**,  
Trustee Mallicoat made a **motion to approve**.

**Second** by Trustee Keene

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Keene, Dunn, Petty, Plock, Mallicoat- YES.

Trustee Gustafson - NO

Motion Passed: 5-1-0

**8.3. Approval of Ordinance 2022-14, amending the compensation received by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners for the Village of Roscoe, Illinois**

President Szula entertained a **motion**,  
Trustee Plock made a **motion to approve**.

**Second** by Trustee Mallicoat

Discussion: Gustafson wanted to clarify in minutes that the Chairman will be compensated \$80 and board members \$60. The proctor and testing are \$40.00 an hour for board members and Chairman \$60.00 and hour.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Plock Mallicoat, Gustafson, Petty, Dunn and Keene- YES.

Motion Passed: 6-0-0

**9. NEW BUSINESS (FIRST READING or SUSPEND RULES)**

President Szula stated the Village has always prioritized transparency and has stepped up over the years and teamed up with Clear Gov, along with providing access to the meetings virtually via Zoom. President Szula wants to propose that the recorded meetings be available online, like the agendas and minutes. President Szula would like to request a motion from the board for final action January 17<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Gustafson stated that she supports this, however she wants to make sure that the minutes and recordings will be provided in a timely manner which is 7 days after approved.

President Szula entertained a **motion as first reading** ,  
Trustee Plock made a **motion to approve first reading**  
**Second** by Trustee Keene

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Petty, Dunn, Plock, Mallicoat, Keene and Gustafson- YES.  
Motion Passed: 6-0-0

This will be presented for final action on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting.

## 10. ACTION FROM LIQUOR COMMISSION

### 10.1. Approval of the renewal of the Class “F” (Full Liquor - On Premises Consumption) liquor license issued to JIM SHELL LLC d/b/a **Jimez Sports Bar and Grill**. [Licensed Premises: 11677 Main Street, Roscoe, IL 61073]

President Szula entertained a **motion**,  
Trustee Mallicoat made a **motion to approve**.

**Second** by Trustee Plock

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Dunn, Gustafson, Plock, Keene, Mallicoat and Petty- YES.

Motion Passed: 6-0-0

### 10.2. Approval of **Ordinance 2022-15**, an Ordinance amending §114 of the Village of Roscoe Code of Ordinances concerning the regulation of licensed liquor establishments within the Village of Roscoe, establishing and reaffirming the maximum number of liquor licenses available for issuance in each liquor classification.

President Szula entertained a **motion**,  
Trustee Petty made a **motion to approve**.

**Second** by Trustee Plock

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Mallicoat, Plock, Keene, Petty, Gustafson and Dunn- YES.

Motion Passed: 6-0-0

## 11. OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Gustafson inquired about the cost of Home Towne Holiday, and what did the other sponsors do, and were there other contributions. Administrator Sanders stated that he was still calculating the total, and Ele815 donated \$1250. Administrator Sanders stated printing expenses were up, and some signs were printed and can be reused.

Trustee Gustafson inquired when the Code Enforcement vehicle will come in, and Administrator Sanders it should be picked up by end of week, probably tomorrow.

President Szula wanted to point out the weather that is coming in, and to be safe.

Trustee Keene, wanted an update on the projects:

Brandon stated construction is ending for the season, Public Works Building is most likely 3-4 more weeks prior to it being closed out, as well as the Public Works parking lot. No major updates on the three projects.

**12. PUBLIC COMMENT (limited to 3 minutes per speaker)**

- Mike Sima | 7422 Deer Crossing, Roscoe  
Mike stated that its clear there are people that are disappointed in the actions and were unaware of the options. Mike stated it would have been nice if the Village would have asked for their input, these people are on fixed income. Mike stated it would be helpful if the agendas had the bids listed so the community would know what is going on.

**13. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if necessary)**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

President Szula wished all the staff and elected officials a Happy Holiday and to be safe.

President Szula entertained a **motion**,

Trustee Petty made a **motion to approve**.

**Second** by Trustee Plock

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Petty, Mallicoat, Keene, Gustafson, Plock and Dunn- YES.

Motion Passed: 6-0-0