

VILLAGE OF NORTH UTICA
248 W. Canal St., North Utica, IL 61373

Committee of the Whole Meeting

April 25, 2024
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AGENDA

- I. **6:00 p.m. - Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Village Clerk
- V. Donations & Advertising Requests: Consideration and Possible Recommendation on the following:
 - 1.) 2024 Kids Fishing Expo \$ 50
 - 2.) 2024 Horizon House Road to Independence Campaign \$ 100
- VI. Director of Village Affairs
 - 1.) Update on Utica Business Association
 - 2.) Update on upcoming Village Events
- VII. Village Treasurer
- VIII. Police Department - Chief Mandujano
- IX. Building / Zoning Enforcement Officer
- X. Maintenance Department/ Public Works Director
 - 1.) Update - Ongoing / upcoming projects in the Village
 - 2.) Update – 2024 Project list
 - 3.) Update – Schedule for Water Tower Maintenance Painting / Cleaning / Repairs
- XI. Village Engineer
 - 1.) Update – Upcoming / Ongoing Projects in the Village
- XII. Village Attorney
- XIII. Village President
 - 1.) Update on the Rebuild Illinois Downtown & Main Streets Grant; ‘Mini Mill St. Shoppes’ Development Project
 - 2.) Update on the Build IL Bond; I & M Canal Re-Watering Project
- XIV. Trustee Reports

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XV. Public Comment

XVI. Executive Session

- 1.) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal for specific employees
- 2.) Pending Litigation
- 3.) Purchase/Sale/Lease of Real Property

XVII. Possible Action regarding Executive Session items

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XVIII. Adjournment

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MINUTES

At 6:05 pm the meeting was called to Order by Village President David Stewart who then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Village Clerk Laurie Gbur recorded the meeting attendance. Present at the meeting were Trustees Nate Holland, Trustee Kylie Mattioda, Debbie Krizel and Jim Schrader. Also present were, Director of Village Affairs Jamie Turczyn, and Village Engineer Kevin Heitz. Public Works Director / Zoning Enforcement Officer Curt Spayer, Village Attorney Herb Klein, Village Treasurer Jill Margis and Trustees John Schweickert and Pete Pawlak were absent from the meeting.

Village Clerk: Clerk Gbur provided an update on the approaching end of the seven (7) year Contract with Republic Services for providing Waste Removal Services in the Village. Republic has proposed a five (5) year Contract to continue providing such services in the Village. They are also adding a provision to extend the Contract by an additional three (3) years at the end of the original term. The new Contract would begin on July 1, 2024 and the rates would be increased each year by approx. 5%. We have requested to keep the waste removal services on Monday each week and they do not foresee this day changing however, they are adding language so that in the event that the Village is notified that the day of service would change, we would have the ability to leave the Contract early. The matter will be further discussed at the May meeting.

2024 Kids Fishing Expo – It was motioned by Trustee Schrader, seconded by Trustee Holland to approve a donation to the 2024 Kids Fishing Expo in the amount of \$100.

6 Yes

Motion Carrie

2024 Horizon House Road to Independence Campaign - It was motioned by Trustee Mattioda, seconded by Trustee Schrader to approve a donation to the 2024 Horizon House Road to Independence Campaign in the amount of \$100.

6 Yes

Motion Carried

Director of Village Affairs: NONE

Village Treasurer: NONE

Police Department: Chief Mandujano provided a brief update on the Department.

AED's – The new replacement AED's that the Village purchased have been installed; three have been replaced in the Police vehicles and one has been replaced at the Village Hall.

Training will be offered on the AED's and well as CPR training.

New Police Truck -The equipment will be installed in the new Police Truck within a couple of weeks.

Body Cams – The Police Department is currently using a Lenslock Body Cam as a demo.

Body Cameras will need to be purchased and in service by 2025.

Building / Zoning Enforcement Officer: NONE

Maintenance Department: NONE

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Village Engineer: Engineer Heitz provided a brief update on the ongoing projects in the Village.

IV Fence & Pool is working on replacing the railing at the Well House and they are working on replacing the fence along Hitt St.

Engineer Heitz stated that he is working on finalizing the fine details of the Mini Mill St. Shops Development Project including the details on parking. Parking will be moved around during the project. We are planning for approx. 108 parking spaces. The Village will be adding more parking spaces on Mill St. across from the Post Office as well as in front of the Library. We will tentatively be ready to seek bids on the project on May 9, 2024 with the bids being due the following week on May 16th. We will probably schedule a Special Board Meeting to review the bids and award a Contract so that we can get the project started.

Village Attorney: NONE

Village President: Mayor Stewart stated that there have been no updates on the I & M Canal Rewatering Project.

Outdoor Dining Season will begin soon; Mayor Stewart will be meeting with the businesses to go over everything for the season and to share details about the Mini Mill St. Project, including parking areas.

Trustee Reports: NONE

Public Comment: A member of the audience shared that she had attended a tour of the area with 13 Tourism professionals and they had very good comments about the Village; It was welcoming and very clean and the people they had met and interacted with were very nice. Mayor Stewart thanked her for sharing those comments with us and stated that it is nice to hear feedback about some of the great things that Utica has to offer, including the many small businesses throughout the Village.

Executive Session: NONE

Adjournment: With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 pm; Motioned by Trustee Schrader, seconded by Trustee Krizel.

All in Favor
Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie A. Gbur
Village Clerk