

Village of Third Lake
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
87 N Lake Ave., Third Lake, IL
March 20, 2023
Minutes

1. President Buckley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Present: Hameister, Honegger, Mateja, Ruwitch, Penny, Van Zeyl

Absent: None

Also Present: Ed Semrad, Chris Trendle, Brian Baugh, Glen Pekelsma

4. Open to the floor

Glenn Pekelsma shared a document that dated 1922 showing the title and layout of lots in the Sunshine Subdivision of Third Lake. The document contains information showing ownership back to 1845. Mr Pekelsma thanked Mayor Buckley for his interest in Third Lake history and he thanked the trustees for their work in the Village.

5. Consent Agenda

A. Motion to approve Regular Board Minutes dated February 21,2023.

B. Motion to approve Accounts Payable dated March 13, 2023 totaling \$30,261.05

C. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report – Fund balances as of February 28, 2023.

D. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report – Monthly Revenues & Expenditures February 2023.

E. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report – Yearly Revenues & Expenditures May through February 2023.

Motion by Penny seconded by Van Zeyl to approve the consent agenda.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Hameister, Honegger, Mateja, Penny, Ruwitch, Van Zeyl

Absent: None

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

6. Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda:

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

- A. Mayor Buckley said that at the last meeting there were questions on the different projects that were included in the budget. He explained that the fence replacement and tree removal projects are taking place in the current fiscal year. He said that the storm sewer on Grant Ave is included in the line item for storm sewer. He explained that the storm sewer on S Lake Ave, the cul-de-sac at N Lake Ave and Village Hall parking lot will be using MFT funds in the FY24 budget. He explained that Lake Ave repaving project line item was reduced and will only include the engineering since this project will have to be completed in two phases. He explained that research is still being done to see if there is a possibility of burying ComEd lines. Mayor Buckley stated that the core samples for Lake Ave have been received and that in some areas 19 inches of ground will need to be removed to reach good soil. He said that the shoreline restoration project is identified in the FY24 budget in the Community relations line item.

Motion by Mateja, seconded by Honegger to approve FY 2024 Budget for the Village of Third Lake

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Hameister, Honegger, Mateja, Penny, Ruwitch, Van Zeyl
Absent: None
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

- B. **Motion by Penny, seconded by Ruwitch to approve Resolution 23-03-01 A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with Meier's Outdoor for a Fence.**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Hameister, Honegger, Mateja, Penny, Ruwitch, Van Zeyl
Absent: None
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

9. **President Report**

Mayor Buckley thanked trustees for cooperating to accomplish goals of the Village. He stated that he has been reading past minutes and it was not always this way.

Mayor Buckley said that Lucky Pennies purchased the 3 acre parcel in Waterstone and wants to build a new restaurant to replace the current location. He said that the owners understand that they cannot impact the residents behind the lot and plans will have to be reviewed for zoning compliance.

Mayor Buckley said that several businesses have approached the village about the empty bank building.

10. **Village Attorney Report**

Mayor Buckley said that we received a check from Direct TV and asked Village Attorney for advice on how to handle check and possible future class action suit for streaming.

11. Engineer Report – Mayor Buckley stated that the utilities in Sunshine are not meeting the requirements for height from the road. He explained that the utility company will either have to put higher poles or bury the cables. Mayor Buckley stated that about 50% of the residents on Lake Ave already have electric buried to their house.

12. Committee Reports

A. Finance

B. Lakes

- Mayor Buckley said that he received proposals for lake management from Clarke and Wisconsin Lake and Pond Resource. Both proposals included surveying, extra monitoring and methods to reduce phosphorus in the lake. He explained that the Village will do the monitoring and work with the Lake County Health Department this summer. Mayor Buckley said that both lakes will be surveyed but would like to limit treatment in the lakes until test results are received. Phosphorus Testing locations have been identified at the spillway between Druce and Third, 3 spots up the creek, and at the Third Lake dam. The testing will help determine total phosphorus levels and suspended solids.
- Mayor Buckley stated that the testing strips for blue green algae have been ordered and Chris Trendle has volunteered to test the DO levels.
- ILMA Conference/Workshop – Trustee Mateja and Ed Semrad attended shoreline workshop at the botanical gardens. Trustee Hameister and Mayor Buckley attended the Conference.
- Mayor Buckley stated that he reached out to Forest Preserve staff and Lake County board member, John Wasik about improving the creek to filter nutrients and sediment entering the lake. He explained that this will be a very long project which will involve writing grants and working with multiple entities.

C. Planning/Development

D. Public Safety

E. Public Works

F. Zoning/Ordinances

13. Open to Floor

- Ed Semrad asked if monitoring will be done on Druce. Mayor Buckley stated that the water leaving Druce Lake will be tested for phosphorus and that there will be a survey on Druce Lake this year. Ed also asked about fish stocking. Mayor Buckley stated that the Village does not have plans to stock this year. He explained that walleye have been stocked for the last two years and would like another fish survey before stocking and also focus on testing the nutrient levels this summer.

14. Executive Session

- A. Motion by Ruwitch, seconded by Penny to enter executive session 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (1) to discuss employee compensation for Michelle Smith, Victoria Stevens, Carol Metivier, Kelly Novak.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Hameister, Honegger, Mateja, Penny, Ruwitch, Van Zeyl
Absent: None
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

Clerk Smith and all guests left the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Meeting resumed at 8:28 p.m.

15. Open Meeting

16. Adjournment

Motion by Mateja seconded by Honegger to adjourn the Board meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

MOTION CARRIED

Approved: 
President, Rodney Buckley

ATTEST: 
Village Clerk, Michelle Smith