

**VILLAGE OF BERKELEY**



**1 President Lee calls meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.**

**2 Pledge of Allegiance**

**3 Roll Call**

Trustees Thomas, Hammar, Salemi, Perez, Graf-Stone, Matthews, Village President Lee, Village Clerk Nowak

Also present: Village Administrator Espiritu, Village Attorney Smith, Deputy Chief Bresnahan, Public Works Director Wagner

**4 Presentations and Appointment**

**5 Public Hearings**

**6 Consent Agenda**

The matters listed for consideration on the Consent Agenda are routine in nature or have all been discussed by the Board of Trustees previously and are matters on which there was unanimity for placement on the Consent Agenda at this meeting.

- 6.1 Village Board Minutes from April 2, 2024
- 6.2 Executive Minutes from April 2, 2024 (not for public release)
- 6.3 Village Board Minutes from April 16, 2024
- 6.4 Executive Minutes from April 16, 2024 (not for public release)

Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas			X			
Larry Hammar			X			
Diane Salemi	X		X			
Jerry Perez			X			
Sherry Graf-Stone		X	X			
Jason Mathews			X			

**MOTION CARRIED**

**7 Claims Ordinance**

7.1 Motion to Approve Claims Ordinance #1530 in the amount of \$424,847.52

Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas			X			
Larry Hammar			X			

Diane Salemi	X		X			
Jerry Perez		X	X			
Sherry Graf-Stone			X			
Jason Mathews			X			

**MOTION CARRIED**

**8 Committee Reports**

**8.1 Administration, Finance and Technology (Chair – Trustee Graf-Stone; Co-Chair – Trustee Mathews)**

**8.1.1 Trustee Liaison Report**

Trustee Graf-Stone reminds everyone that the time capsule opening is scheduled for Saturday May 18, 2024 at 10 a.m. Also states staff has delivered the final tax levy reports to cook county tax office for the tax year 2023. Second floor project being completed and final painting being done this week. Trustee Salemi mentions Sal from Republic Bank states will keep a log regarding payments received at bank for water bills. Administrator Espiritu states will work out logistics with the bank.

**8.1.2 Motion to Approve a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highways Code for FY 2024 – 2025**

Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas			X			
Larry Hammar			X			
Diane Salemi			X			
Jerry Perez		X	X			
Sherry Graf-Stone	X		X			
Jason Mathews			X			

**MOTION CARRIED**

**8.1.3 Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 5-4-3 of the Village Code of the Village of Berkeley, Cook County, Illinois regarding Fees Related to Refuse Collection Charges**

Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas			X			
Larry Hammar			X			
Diane Salemi		X	X			
Jerry Perez			X			
Sherry Graf-Stone	X		X			
Jason Mathews			X			

**MOTION CARRIED**

8.1.4 Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 9-2-8(a) of the Village Code of the Village of Berkeley, Cook County, Illinois Regarding Fees Related to Water and Sewer Service

Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas			X			
Larry Hammar			X			
Diane Salemi		X	X			
Jerry Perez			X			
Sherry Graf-Stone	X		X			
Jason Mathews			X			

**MOTION CARRIED**

**8.2 Community and Economic Development (Chair – Trustee Salemi; Co-Chair – Trustee Thomas)**

8.2.1 Trustee Liaison Report-no report

**8.3 Public Safety (Chair – Trustee Mathews; Co-Chair – Trustee Hammar)**

8.3.1 Trustee Liaison Report-no report

**8.4 Public Works and Utilities (Chair – Trustee Hammar; Co-Chair – Trustee Salemi)**

8.4.1 Trustee Liaison Report-Trustee Hammar reports new trees have been ordered and will be planted soon. Also new compactor has been received and training will be happening soon. Board discusses tree replacement and trimming process.

**8.5 Intergovernmental Relations (Chair – Trustee Thomas; Co-Chair – Trustee Perez)**

8.5.1 Trustee Liaison Report-no report

**8.6 Community Events (Chair – Trustee Perez; Co-Chair – Trustee Graf-Stone)**

8.6.1 Trustee Liaison Report-Neighborhood watch meeting coming up May 16, 2024. Jersey Girls will be first music group playing in Berkeley.

**9 Village President**

**9.1 Village President Report**

President Lee announces signature event happening May 18 with the opening of the time capsule at the Library. Centennial Co-Chair Trustee Thomas along with Chairperson Kathleen Chmura has put together a minute by minute schedule for the event ending with concert in the park from 5p to 7p. A new book is coming

out detailing the history of Berkeley. Memorial Day will be celebrated with the Jerele, Spencer and Lee families. Rose program has been a huge success, there will be over 60 rose bushes planted at the veteran's cemetery.

9.2 5/21/24 Village Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

10 **Village Administrator**-no report

11 **Village Attorney**-Springfield has remained busy but with no bills have being passed. Courtney Willits will provide an update at next board meeting, she is filling in for Village attorney Greg Smith.

12 **Public Comments and Questions**

Please limit comments to three (3) minutes in length, unless further granted by the Board

13 **Executive Session**

13.1 Motion to enter into Executive Session to consider the:

- a. **Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employee(s) and/or Legal Counsel 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1)**
- b. **Collective Bargaining, Salary Schedules; categorically 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2)**
- c. Appointment/Removal for Public Office or Attorney 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(3)
- d. **Consideration to Purchase, Lease (Buy), or Acquire Specific Real Estate Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5)**
- e. **Setting Price for Sale/Lease Specific Real Estate Property 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(6)**
- f. Security Procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, public, or public property. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(8)
- g. Probable or Imminent and Pending Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11)
- h. Establish Reserves or Settle Claims (Tort) 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(12)
- i. Consideration of Release of Executive Session Minutes 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21)

Enter executive session 7:06p

Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas			X			
Larry Hammar			X			
Diane Salemi	X		X			
Jerry Perez			X			
Sherry Graf-Stone		X	X			
Jason Mathews			X			

**MOTION CARRIED**

Exit executive session 7:48 p.m.

Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas			X			
Larry Hammar			X			
Diane Salemi			X			
Jerry Perez		X	X			
Sherry Graf-Stone	X		X			
Jason Mathews			X			

**MOTION CARRIED**

**14 Action After Executive Session**

14.1 Motion to Approve a Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Third Amendment to the Employment Agreement between Rudy Espiritu and the Village of Berkeley

Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas		X	X			
Larry Hammar			X			
Diane Salemi	X		X			
Jerry Perez			X			
Sherry Graf-Stone			X			
Jason Mathews				X		

**MOTION CARRIED**

**15 Meeting Adjourned 7:48 p.m.**


Trustee	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Roger Thomas			X			
Larry Hammar			X			
Diane Salemi	X		X			
Jerry Perez		X	X			
Sherry Graf-Stone			X			
Jason Mathews			X			

**VOICE VOTE-MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Belia Nowak, Village Clerk

Approved this 21st day of May 2024

  
Robert E. Lee, Jr., Village President