



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
VILLAGE OF PHOENIX REGULAR MEETING  
VILLAGE OF PHOENIX COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
February 25, 2025 – 7:00 PM.**

**Mayor Terry R. Wells called to order the meeting of the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Phoenix, Illinois, at 7:00 p.m.**

**PRAYER:** Treasurer Ferrell opened the meeting with prayer.

**ROLL CALL:** Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar

**Absent:** Trustee Proctor-Harris

**COMMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT:**

**Swear-In** – Captain Moore to the Deputy Chief position – Mayor Wells administered the Deputy Chief of Office to Captain Moore.

**Insurance Settlement Approval** —Mayor Wells moved to approve the Insurance Settlement payment; Motion to accept the Settlement by Trustee Mahaffey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee McCullar: Roll Call: Motion passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar

**Property Rehabilitation Rebate** - Mayor Wells called for a motion to approve the payment to the Park District \$5,000 Rehab Rebate Motioned by Trustee Mahaffey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Riley: Roll Call: Motion passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Proctor-Harris, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar

**Altero Engineering** – Mayor Wells advised the Board that we will hire an additional Engineering firm, Altero Engineering.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** No Communications

**CLERK’S REPORT:** The summary of the clerk's report. Cash received from February 11, 2025, to February 24, 2025: General Administration- \$81,263.72; Motor Fuel Tax Collections \$6,256.86; Multi-Purpose Center Rental \$1,715.00; Grand Total- \$89,235.58.



**MINUTES**- Mayor Wells called for a motion to approve the minutes dated 02.11.25. Trustee Riley motions to approve the minutes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Mahaffey. Roll Call: The Motion passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Police and Fire Department: Both Chiefs are present; they will give their reports during the department reports.:
- Public Works Department Trustee Proctor-Harris: Absent:
  - The Mayor advised a water main break resulting in partial street collapse; the issue is being handled as a priority. There are possibly 2 more; they are being investigated.
  - Several trees will be removed throughout the Village in the coming weeks.
- Public Property: Trustee Taylor: No Report
- Finance Department Trustee Williams: Motion to pay the bills of \$70,831.55 by Trustee Williams and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Riley Roll Call: Motion passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar.
- Ordinance & Resolution: Trustee Riley – No Report
- Water Department- Trustee McCullar - Water report for the period of February 1st – February 24, 2025: Water- \$47,633.87, Garbage \$12,528.03, Late fees \$2,330.07 with a Grand Total of \$62,491.97. There is an app that allows residents to monitor water usage and water leaks; Trustee McCullar is encouraging everyone to enroll. Also, please look for water leaks and report them if you see anything.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

- Village Administrator: Administrator Cooper reported that the Town Hall for the Lead line replacement initiative went well. Text By Choice is a new program the Village is purchasing to communicate with residents via text; it will be rolling out soon. I will keep everyone updated.
- Village Treasurer- Treasure Ferrell - Village Treasurer- Treasure Ferrell gave the following information:

The General Ledger balance of \$199,872.73 includes the balance of the Property Taxes of \$18,582.77 and the Motor Fuel tax fund of \$133,340.50. The revenue budgeted for February is \$419,672.00; Revenue budgeted for the month of February \$150,000.00

The disbursements budgeted for February are \$285,859.00, and the balance for the month of February is \$37,445.00.
- Fire Department: Chief Betton —84 calls have been reported today.
  - Submitting a Grant application for up to \$350K – The grant will be submitted by February 28, 2025
  - Engine repairs are moving forward; He will keep the Board updated.



- Police Department: Chief Wells reported - Incidents 3, P-Series 8, and Y-Series 4; 1 arrest:

**Retirement** – Jovan Upshaw—: Trustee Mahaffey moved, which Trustee Williams seconded. The motion was passed by Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, and Trustee McCullar,

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:**

**Ms. Jackson—908 Miller Pl:** There is a large hole in the front of her house. Please send someone to assess it. Public Works will handle the information.

**Johnnie Lane – St. Andrews Senior Building – Text by Choice** – Will they replace robocalls? The response was yes. Will flyers continue to be distributed when there are events? – The response was yes.

**Louise Kensley—St. Andrews Senior Building—**There are trees behind the building. Please consider cutting them; information will be given to Trustee Proctor-Harris for handling.

**Brenda—St. Andrews Senior Building—**She has been living in the Senior building for the past 3 years and feels the Village is an amazing place to live.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Trustee Riley stated the Park District’s events:**

**April 6, 2025** – Easter Egg hunt at the MPC. Time: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

**May 31, 2025** – Mother & Son – Daddy and Daughter Dance at the MPC – Time: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm by Mayor Wells.** The motion was carried by Trustee Mahaffey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Riley: Roll – Trustee Mahaffey, Trustee Taylor, Trustee Williams, Trustee Riley, Trustee and McCullar. The next meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees will be held on March 11, 2025, at 7 p.m.

**APPROVED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025

*Patricia Harris*

, Clerk Harris

**ATTEST:**