

Metamora Village Council met in regular session on Monday April 7, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Council members present: President Gary Loar, Cindi Pawlaczyk, John Pupos, Rob Armstrong, LeeAnn Miller and Karen Siefker.

Other officials present: Mayor Cathy Mossing, VFO Heather Lumbrezer and Village Administrator/Zoning Inspector Jeff Pawlaczyk.

Mayor Mossing opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – Armstrong motioned to approve the March 17, 2025; minutes as written. Seconded by Loar and approved by council.

Visitors: Adam Vance from EYA and Deputy Austin Lumbrezer from the Sheriff's Department.

- Vance confirmed that EYA will be in charge of the concession stand this year. There is a sponsor who is willing to pay Jack Hudik for ball diamond prep this season. Pupos motioned to approve the donation to pay Hudik for diamond prep. The Village will buy a banner acknowledging the sponsorship. Seconded by Miller and approved by council. After this year EYA is responsible for diamond prep. Vance will be given 2 keys to lock up at night.
- Deputy Lumbrezer reviewed the sheriff's report for March.

Mayor's Report –

- Thank you to everyone who completed the EMA survey.
- The radar signs are ready to be placed in the Village. Discussion took place as to where the best place to put them would be. We need to add \$9,000.00 to our insurance policy for them.
- Happy Birthday Fulton County Day was a success.
- Discussion took place about employee paid holidays. Our full-time employees and VFO do not get Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve and Good Friday off. Mossing said that other area municipalities do. Council decided not to make any changes to their paid holidays.
- The Memorial Dedication Ceremony is Sunday, June 15th at 12:00 p.m. during Party in the Park. Mossing discussed 2 nominees for the Appreciation Wall of Fame. Pupos and Armstrong volunteered to set up the sound system for this event.
- Pupos motioned to purchase 2 new signs to be placed at the park entrances, listing all of the park rules. Seconded by Armstrong and approved by council. All of the current signs will be removed once we get the new ones.

Fiscal Officer's Report –

- We received an AED which will be hung in the Village Office. We will put something in an upcoming newsletter letting other area businesses know we have it.
- A new water heater has been installed in shelter house B.
- The new roof of the recycling building has been completed.

Authorization to pay bills- Armstrong motioned to pay bills as read. Seconded by Miller and approved by all council.

Old Business -

- Pupos motioned for the 2nd reading of Resolution #2025-09 a resolution to proceed to place a 0.5 mill replacement levy on the ballot for the November 4, 2025, election. Seconded by Siefker and approved by council.
- The maintenance workers need to fix the merry-go-round in the new playground before kids can ride on it.
- A Parent of the individual who did damage to the new playground has reached out to the Village and said he will make the damages good, giving money and some community service.

New Business –

- Siefker said that the variance hearing for Tom Sullivans fence has been approved by the Zoning Appeals Board as long as he gets an approval letter from the neighbor, Nick Shrader.
- New veneer needs to be put on the office door and paneling. We will try to find someone interested in doing the work.
- Miller motioned to approve the Tree Commission's tree permit, with changes to the Public Works wording. Seconded by Pupos and approved by council. This is for anyone who wants to plant a tree in the village rights-of- way.
- Pupos motioned to purchase the basic tennis court package in the amount of \$700.00. Seconded by Armstrong and approved by council.
- No objections for the renewal of liquor permits, 2 @ T-Mart and 2 @ Bigg's Bar.
- Roger Goins asked for a sewer credit due to an outside faucet leak. Council compared his previous sewer bills. C. Pawlaczyk motioned to credit \$107.75 for his sewer bill. Seconded by Armstrong and approved by council.
- There are some trees along the walking trail that are splitting. Pupos and Rick Meiring will review and determine which ones should come out and which ones should be trimmed.

Zoning Report-

- Dave Sharples inquired about paving his driveway and some of the alley that is in the Village right-of-way. It is ok to pave some of the alley but there is a pipe under there and if we need access to the pipe, we will possibly need to tear the pavement up. He also can not cover the manhole. No permit is needed.
- Residents at 252 Maple and 16372 SR 64 did not get permits to put up fences. A letter will be sent to them regarding this. Discussion took place about an increase in cost if people don't get permits before doing permit-required projects.
- J. Pawlaczyk gave an update on the levels of the creek and lift stations, this is in regard to I&I issues with our sanitary sewer system.
- There is a sewer issue at 515 Swanton St.

Adjournment- Pupos motioned to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Seconded by Miller and approved by all council.

Mayor- Catherine Mossing

VFO – Heather Lumbrezer