

**VILLAGE OF JOHNSBURG  
AUGUST 17, REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

President Hettermann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Whispering Hills Community Center.

Attendees

Trustee Tom Curry  
Trustee Beth Foreman  
Trustee Kyle Frost (absent)  
Trustee Josh Hagen  
Trustee Greg Klemstein  
Trustee Scott Letzter  
Village Administrator Claudett Sofiakis  
Assistant Administrator Vinny Lamontagna  
Police Chief Keith VonAllmen  
Village Attorney Michael Smoron  
Village Engineer Tim Hartnett (absent)  
Special Projects Coordinator Rick Quinn

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** – Eleri Jane, residing on Acre Lane, attended the meeting via telephone. She discussed her efforts to educate people about alternatives to burning. She thanked the board for taking the matter seriously and remarked that she has seen improvement in her neighborhood as a result of increased enforcement. She thanked the board for creating awareness of alternatives to burning through Village e-blasts and other communications. She stated that she is advocating for the Village to include leaf vac service in the residential refuse and recycling service contract. She stated that her parents were in attendance at the meeting on behalf of the Better than Burning movement.

Cheryl Markunas remarked that Facebook postings indicate a yard waste drop off program in McHenry.

**OMNIBUS AGENDA** – Trustee Curry moved to approve the Omnibus Agenda. Trustee Hagen seconded the motion. All Trustees present voted aye on the roll. Motion carried.

- Move to approve minutes of the August 3, 2021 Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees
- Move to approve Ordinance 20-21-10 Amending Chapter 17, Garbage, Refuse and Recycling of the Johnsburg Municipal Code
- **Disbursements**
- General Fund \$247,393.95
- Waterworks & Sewage Fund 13,019.92
- Golf Course Fund 130.42
- Land and Building 4,274.00
- Debt Service Fund 2,00.00
- Total All Funds \$267,518.29

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – President Hettermann presented Village Administrator Claudett Sofiakis a plaque in recognition for her 30 years of service to the Village.

**NEW BUSINESS** – Ms. Sofiakis discussed the proposals received in response to the Village’s RFP for residential refuse and recycling services. She explained that the proposal submitted by Lakes Disposal includes yard waste pickup for each home and discussed the additional services offered by Flood Brothers in their proposal. Ms. Sofiakis clarified that Groot has indicated that they are also willing to include the additional services offered by Flood Brothers. The Board discussed the proposals received. President Hettermann remarked that the proposal from Lakes Disposal appears to be the ideal alternative as it includes yard waste pickup for every home. Trustee Hagen noted that Groot’s senior rate is lower than Lakes Disposal’s. Discussion continued regarding the difference in the services being proposed by Lakes Disposal and Groot. Trustee Letzter pointed out that if it is the Village’s intent to try and improve environment by encouraging alternatives to burning, those alternatives need to be readily available to the residents. The Board reached a consensus to proceed with a contract with Lakes Disposal.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** - Trustee Foremann informed the Board that the Party in the Burg event was a great success and the Committee is now planning for Celebration in the Park. She added that good feedback and suggestions were received regarding the event which will be taken into consideration. Trustee Letzter reported that the public works crew has been busy with storm cleanup and road patching and the committee will meet at the end of the month.

**ADJOURNMENT** - Trustee Letzter moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Foreman seconded the motion. All Trustees voted aye. Motion to adjourn was carried at 7:46 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Claudett Sofiakis*  
*Village Administrator*