



**VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE**  
**Council Meeting**  
**305 W. Elizabeth Street, Room #112**  
**Monday, February 6, 2023 7:00 pm**  
**Meeting Minutes**

1. President Ogden called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Roll call:**  
Present: Morehouse, Dyer, Fairbotham, Mullins, Cattell, Howlett, Ogden  
Absent: None.  
Also in attendance: Village attorney Gormley and Village residents.
3. **Pledge of allegiance** was led by President Ogden.
4. Motion by Cattell, support by Howlett to approve the agenda as amended. All in favor. Motion passed.
5. Motion by Howlett, support by Cattell to approve the meeting minutes of January 3, 2023; joint meeting with Village Planning Commission and SDDA January 19, 2023; Workshop minutes January 23, 2023 and Special Meeting minutes of January 25, 2023 as amended. All in favor. Motion passed.
6. **Public Comment:** Randy Maiville introduced himself as the new County Board Commissioner.
7. Motion by Mullins, support by Cattell to approve the Financial Reports as submitted.  
Roll call:  
Aye: Dyer, Fairbotham, Mullins, Cattell, Howlett, Morehouse, Ogden.  
Nay: None.  
Motion passed.
8. **Communications:** none.
9. Police Chief Bartus gave an update on the police department for the month of January.
10. **Committee reports:**  
Personnel Committee: Chair Howlett reported the personnel manual is being updated.  
Chicken Ordinance: A review of the survey results of the Village residents was given by Chair Morehouse.  
Ordinance committee will be reviewing the draft Chicken Ordinance.
11. **New Business:**
  - a. Dollar General parking: Motion by Mullins, support by Cattell to follow the recommendation of the Planning Commission reducing the number of parking spaces from 84 (as stated in ordinance 2-261 to 55 {as stated in ordinance 2-260 (e) }  
All in favor. Motion passed.
  - b. Motion by Mullins support by Cattell to approve the SDDA 2023-24 budget as presented. All in favor. Motion passed.

- c. Motion by Howlett, support by Cattell for the DPW to clean out the “island” across from the post office removing the mulch and weeds, installing a fabric barrier and re-filling the island with stone with a cost not to exceed \$1500.  
Roll call:  
Aye: Fairbotham, Mullions, Cattell, Howlett, Morehouse, Dyer, Ogden.  
Nay: None.  
All in favor. Motion passed.
- d. Motion by Howlett, support by Cattell to approve the purchase of a RAM 1500 truck from LaFontaine of Lansing for DPW use with a cost not to exceed \$40,000 which will include the purchase of required emergency lights and a tool box for the truck bed.  
Roll call:  
Aye: Mullins, Cattell, Howlett, Morehouse, Dyer, Fairbotham, Ogden.  
Nay: None.  
All in favor. Motion passed.
- e. Motion by Mullins support by Cattell to hire Muzzin Building & Remodeling to repair the roof on wellhouse 5, replace both wellhouse doors, repair the overhead door at the DPW garage, and hire Cowboy Fencing to replace the barbed wire around the two wellhouses and the water treatment plant. The total cost is for these projects is \$15,680.00.  
Roll call:  
Aye: Cattell, Howlett, Morehouse, Dyer, Fairbotham, Mullins, Ogden.  
Nay: None.  
All in favor. Motion passed.
- f. Motion by Cattell, support by Howlett to hire Burman Tree Service to remove and trim trees in the cemetery in the amount of \$6725.00.  
Roll call:  
Aye: Morehouse, Dyer, Fairbotham, Mullins, Cattell, Howlett, Ogden  
Nay: None.  
All in favor. Motion carried.
- g. Motion by Ogden, support by Cattell to table the SAESA request for hydrant fee removal until a proposal is reached. All in favor. Motion passed.
- h. Motion by Fairbotham, support by Dyer to accept the contract with Shumaker Technology Group at the Gold Plan level with a start up fee of \$2,495.00 and an annual maintenance fee of \$750 for a fully managed site.  
Roll call:  
Aye: Dyer, Fairbotham, Mullins, Cattell, Howlett, Morehouse, Ogden.  
Nay: None.

All in favor. Motion passed.

- i. Motion by Mullins, support by Cattell to add Lucinda Reames as a signer at Independent Bank. All in favor. Motion passed.
- j. Motion by Dyer, support by Fairbotham to hire Checkered Lawn Service for mowing the cemetery with a three-year contract; and Veterans' Memorial Park on a year-to-year basis.

Roll call:

Aye: Fairbotham, Mullins, Cattell, Howlett, Morehouse, Dyer, Ogden

Nay: None.

All in favor. Motion passed.

**12. Public Comment:**

There was a complaint about the Trail between East Main and Brogan Road not being cleared of snow.

**13. Council Comments**

**14. Attorney Comments**

**15. President Comments**

**16. Motion to adjourn** by Ogden support by Howlett at 9:45. All in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Molly Howlett, Council trustee