

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR SESSION
11004 Carpenter Street, Mokena, Illinois 60448**

Session #011

June 13, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fleischer called the Regular Session of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Trustees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL/ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Clerk Martini called the roll and the following Trustees were present:

Joseph Budzyn
Rob Dauphinais
Debbie Engler
Melissa Fedora
George Metanias
Jim Richmond

Also present were: Village Clerk Melissa Martini; Village Administrator John Tomaszski; Assistant Village Administrator Kirk Zoellner; Village Attorney Carl Buck; Finance Director Sharon Dangles; Community and Economic Development Director Matt Ziska; Interim Chief of Police Brian Benton; and Director of Public Works Jim Kulesa

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Engler made a motion to enter executive session at 6:06 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). Trustee Richmond seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

Trustee Engler made a motion to adjourn the executive session and reconvene the regular meeting at 6:54 p.m. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

Mayor Fleischer advised that the night's meeting began with an executive session at 6:00 p.m.

DISCOVER MOKENA

Village Clerk Martini presented the Community Calendar.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Schlegel offered his respect towards former Board of Fire and Police Commission member Mike Moran. He voiced his disagreement regarding Mr. Moran's comments from the March 23, 2022 Board meeting. He stated that the Village Board should have accommodated Mr. Moran's public comment past the three-minute limit as Mr. Moran offered important information to the community. Mr. Schlegel stated that Mr.

Moran's comments regarding the resignation of the Village Board and Village Attorney Carl Buck were inappropriate. Mr. Schlegel offered his support of the Mayor and Village Board and the progress they have made towards the safety of the residents and community. He offered his support of the Village Board to appeal the recent Will County Court's decision regarding litigation involving the Village and Commander Christopher Carlson. He stated Mayor Fleischer and the Village Board take the safety of the community to heart which has been shown by many accomplishments including approval of the new police station with a first-class gun range, the purchase of two drones, the installation of automatic license plate reader cameras throughout the community, hiring additional police officers and purchasing seven new vehicles. He discussed the recent school shooting in Uvalde, Texas and the lack of leadership. Mr. Schlegel stated that he supports Trustee Richmond in his run for Will County Board as he has done a great job on the Village Board and is a man of character. He expressed his thanks towards new Trustees Fedora and Dauphinais for taking time away from their families to fulfill their duties on the Village Board. He stated Mayor Pro Tem Metanias did an excellent job stepping up while Mayor Fleischer was recovering. He stated Trustee Budzyn's Federal Agent background is a great resource for the police department. He welcomed Mayor Fleischer back to his duties.

CONSENT AGENDA

Village Administrator John Tomasoski presented two (2) items on the Consent Agenda for Board approval. These items are strictly administrative in nature.

- a. Motion to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2022 Work Session.
- b. Motion to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2022 Board Meeting and Work Session.

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 7 (a) and (b) as depicted in the June 9, 2022 Request for Board Action prepared by the Village Administrator. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Finance Director Sharon Dangles presented the first accounts payable list for June totaling \$2,937,624.42. She highlighted the following invoices to be paid:

- \$885.00 to Chris's Cemetery Preservation
- \$103,250.00 to Davis Concrete Construction for pavement patching on Wolf Road

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$2,937,624.42. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

APPOINTMENTS/PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

N/A

PRE-SCHEDULED PROPOSALS / PRESENTATIONS AND VISITORS

N/A

PUBLIC HEARINGS

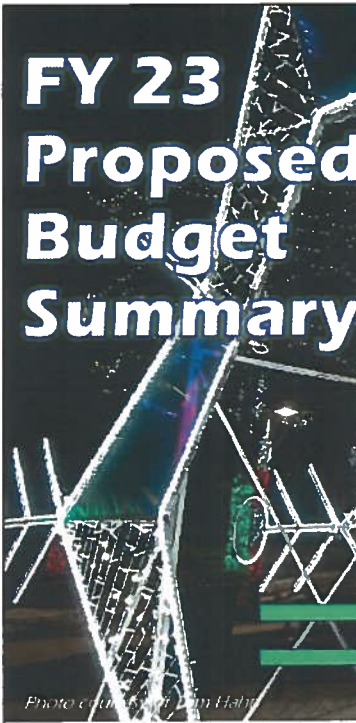
Trustee Engler made a motion to enter into a Public Hearing to discuss the proposed Village of Mokena FY 2022/2023 Budget. Trustee Richmond seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

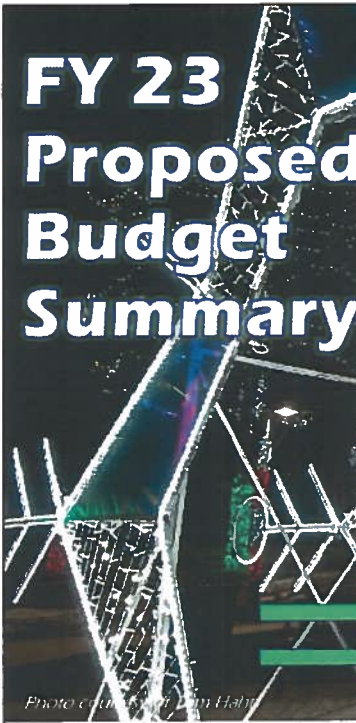
Village Administrator John Tomasoski delivered to the Board and public a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget.

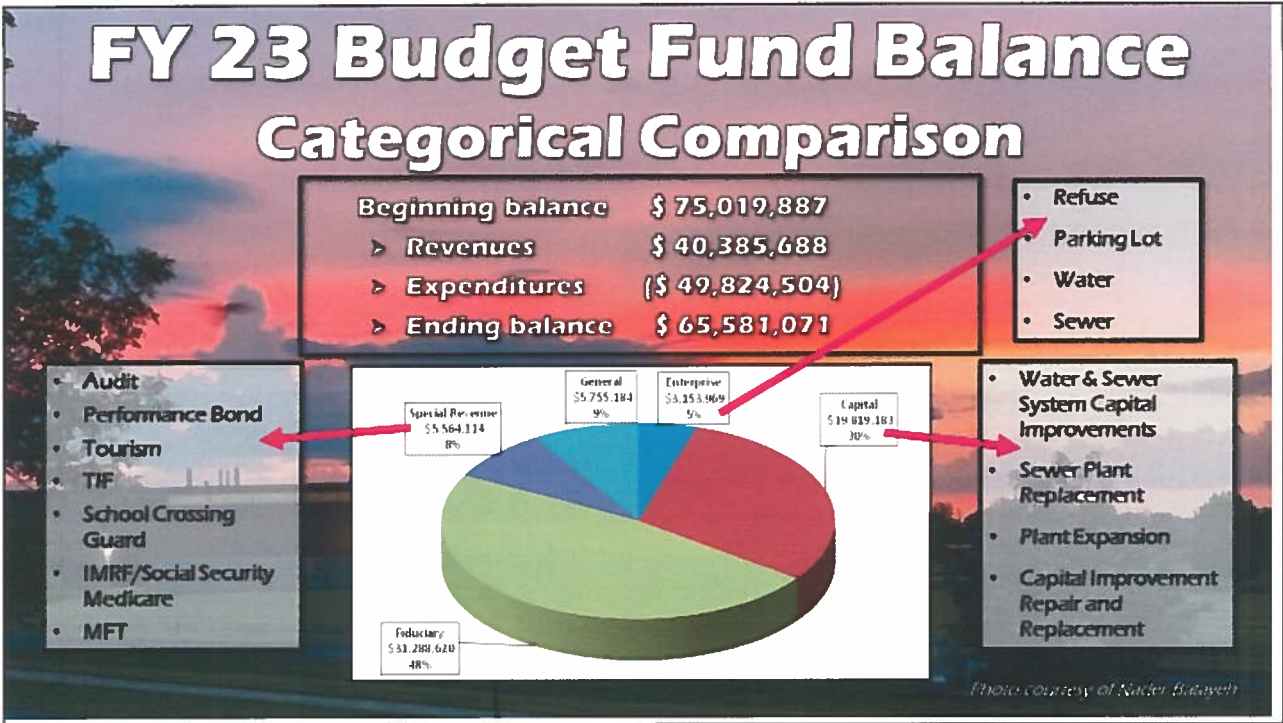


FY 23
Proposed
Budget
Summary



		OPENING		ENDING	
Fund Name	Fund Balance	Revenue	Expenses	Fund Balance	
01 General	\$ 4,101,005	\$ 15,607,561	\$ 13,953,382	\$ 5,755,184	
02 Audit	21,193	12,535	9,705	24,023	
04 Performance Bond	824,329	102,100	602,100	324,329	
05 Tourism	373,576	187,500	88,316	472,760	
06 Special Tax Allocation	367,178	73,936	40,235	400,879	
07 School Crossing Guard	68,021	10,200	29,214	49,007	
08 IMRF/FICA/MC Contribution	616,475	904,852	886,655	634,672	
09 Police Pension	29,534,380	2,992,491	1,238,251	31,288,620	
11 Motor Fuel Tax	3,384,834	821,145	547,535	3,658,444	
15 Refuse	203,848	1,690,084	1,685,478	208,454	
16 Water & Sewer	3,662,720	7,632,106	8,422,931	2,871,895	
17 Municipal Parking Lot	128,187	97,590	152,157	73,620	
19 Sewer System Capital Improv.	1,696,996	121,871	117,200	1,701,667	
20 Water System Capital Improv.	2,811,396	362,112	1,634,875	1,538,633	
21 Sewer Plant Replacement	1,429,437	1,900	223,300	1,208,037	
22 Plant Expansion	5,380,339	3,500	3,669,830	1,714,009	
23 Capital Improvement, Repair and Replacement	20,415,972	9,764,205	16,523,340	13,656,837	
Totals		\$ 75,019,887	\$ 40,385,688	\$ 49,824,504	\$ 65,581,071





LOOKING AHEAD...

June 28, 2022
General Primary Election

November 8, 2022
General Election

❖ **SIX State executive offices**
are up for election in
2022:
Governor, Lieutenant
Governor, Attorney
General, Secretary of
State, Treasurer, and
Comptroller
❖ **Illinois General Assembly**
Source: Ballotpedia.org

"Election 2022: Here's
Who Is Running for
Governor of Illinois:"
– NBC Chicago

"Battle of Billionaires in
Illinois' Primary Tests
Big Money's Impact"
– USA Today

"How to Vote in Illinois
Primary Elections"
– wbetz.org



FY 22 (Current Year)			
	Budgeted	Anticipated	Difference
FY 22 Revenues	\$ 11,965,522	\$ 16,612,353	\$ 4,646,831*
FY 22 Expenditures	\$ 11,913,364	\$ 12,422,613**	\$ (509,249)*
Ending FY 21			\$ 715,104
FY 22 Net Positive Operating Results			\$ 4,852,686
Excess Fund Balance			\$ 207,314
TOTAL TRANSFER			\$ 5,060,000

*Includes \$ 1,371,665 for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds received and transferred to WWTP

** +/- \$623,109 carried over for FY 22 Fleet and Street Sweeper

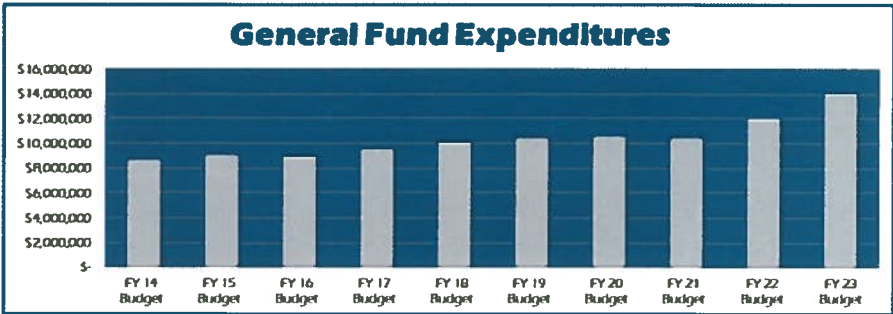
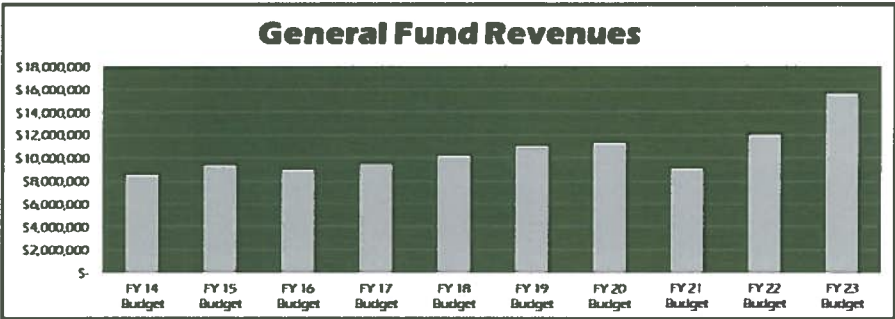
General Fund Revenue Summary

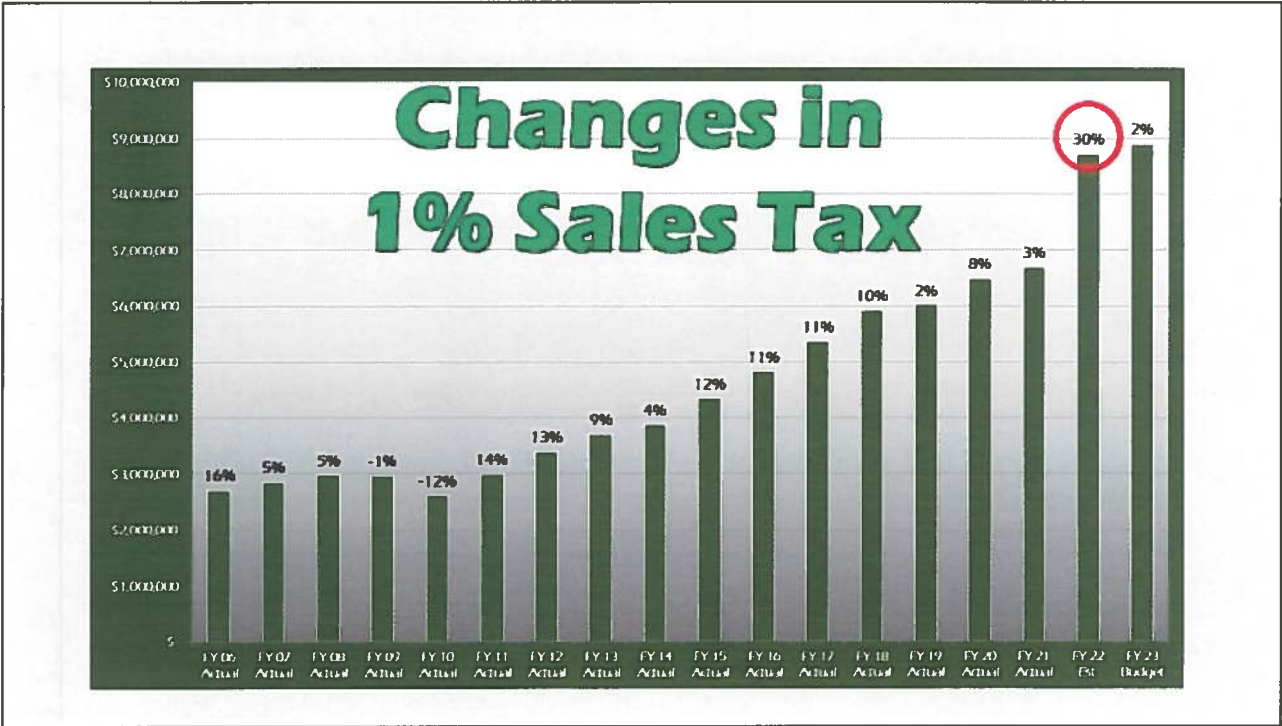
Revenues	Actual Fiscal '20	Actual Fiscal '21	Budgeted Fiscal '22	Estimated Fiscal '22	Dept. Req. Fiscal '23	Amount Change	% of Change
Taxes	\$10,627,555	11,541,918	10,067,351	13,164,465	12,117,363	2,050,012	20.36%
Licenses	708,194	630,729	655,300	664,630	689,725	34,425	5.25%
Permits	510,282	294,332	129,650	134,400	134,000	4,350	3.36%
Intergovernmental Revenue - State	-	839,803	-	1,371,665	1,371,665	1,371,665	N/A
Intergovernmental Revenue - Local	280,983	280,983	205,659	205,659	205,659	-	-
Exaction Fees	10,820	-	35,192	9,500	35,165	(27)	-.08%
Fines	96,109	88,407	96,500	90,147	90,750	(5,750)	-5.96%
Other Revenue	869,112	821,233	775,870	971,887	963,234	187,364	24.15%
Total Revenue	13,103,055	14,497,405	11,965,522	16,612,353	15,607,561	3,642,039	30.44%

- Tax Revenue up by + \$2.05M or +20.36%
 - Sales tax + \$2.02M or +26.46%
 - Income Tax + \$190K or +16.84% [includes budgeting for only 50% of LGDF]
- Amusement Tax + \$117K or +55.12%
 - ARPA Funds + \$1.37M
 - Miscellaneous Income + \$187K or +24.15% [includes video gaming & OTB]
 - Total Revenues + \$3.6M or +30.44%

General Fund Expenditure Summary

Appropriations	Actual Fiscal '20	Actual Fiscal '21	Budgeted Fiscal '22	Estimated Fiscal '22	Dept. Req. Fiscal '23	Amount Change	% of Change
Legislative	\$ 100,320	94,068	115,769	110,437	90,998	(24,771)	-21.40%
Administrative	2,380,210	8,310,510	3,007,659	9,177,302	3,713,221	705,562	23.46%
Fire & Police Commission	4,418	52,454	44,730	37,791	55,130	10,400	23.25%
Police Department	4,824,997	5,092,772	5,423,613	5,232,482	5,921,466	497,853	9.18%
Community Development	697,860	673,178	959,805	804,259	944,453	(15,352)	-1.60%
Village Clerk	8,723	7,760	11,545	9,015	11,696	151	1.31%
Street Department	1,560,339	1,205,403	1,849,193	1,649,182	2,598,641	749,448	40.53%
Buildings & Grounds Department	362,788	327,786	408,778	386,852	521,903	113,125	27.67%
Cable TV Commission	13,432	9,469	15,963	11,695	16,618	655	4.10%
E.S.D.A. Department	47,905	42,535	76,309	63,598	79,256	2,947	3.86%
Total Appropriations	10,000,992	15,815,935	11,913,364	17,482,613	13,953,382	2,040,018	17.12%





Online Sales Tax

- In May 2018, Illinois enacted legislation that allowed for the required collection of the state's Use Tax (P.A. 100-0587). The legislation required remote retailers (who make 200 or more annual transactions or \$100,000 or more in annual gross receipts) to collect Use Tax on purchases made for use or consumption in Illinois.
- On June 21, 2018, the United States Supreme Court (USSC) overturned prior precedent in *National Bellas Hess* and *Quill in South Dakota v. Wayfair*. The court ruled that individual states have the authority to implement laws that require remote retailers to collect and remit taxes to the state where the purchaser lives.

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Online Sales Tax

- The amended "Leveling the Playing Field for Illinois Retail Act" was passed by the General Assembly on November 14, 2019, to require both Remote Retailers and Marketplace Facilitators to collect and remit the state and locally-imposed Retailer's Occupation Tax (ROT, aka sales tax) for the jurisdictions where the product is delivered (its destination) starting January 1, 2021.
- At the time this bill was passed, the Illinois Retail Merchants Association (IRMA) estimates that this new law could generate \$465 million annually in additional sales tax revenue. The state could receive \$85 million per state fiscal year, according to those estimates.

Source: Illinois Municipal League



Police Station

April 25, 2022 Board Meeting:
Awarded low bid to Henry Bros.

May 9, 2022 Board Meeting:
Executed Contract with Henry Bros.

Financing Work Sessions

- August 23, 2021
- March 14, 2021
- April 11, 2022

Recommended Action:
Issue ±\$4.75M of Promissory notes to fund the remainder of the Police Station.

**FUTURE SITE OF
VILLAGE OF MOKENA
POLICE STATION**

Mayor Frank Flischer
Trustee Joseph Butryn
Trustee Bob Daughnais
Trustee Debbie Engler

Village Clerk Melissa Martini
Trustee Melissa Fedora
Trustee George Metanias
Trustee James Richmond

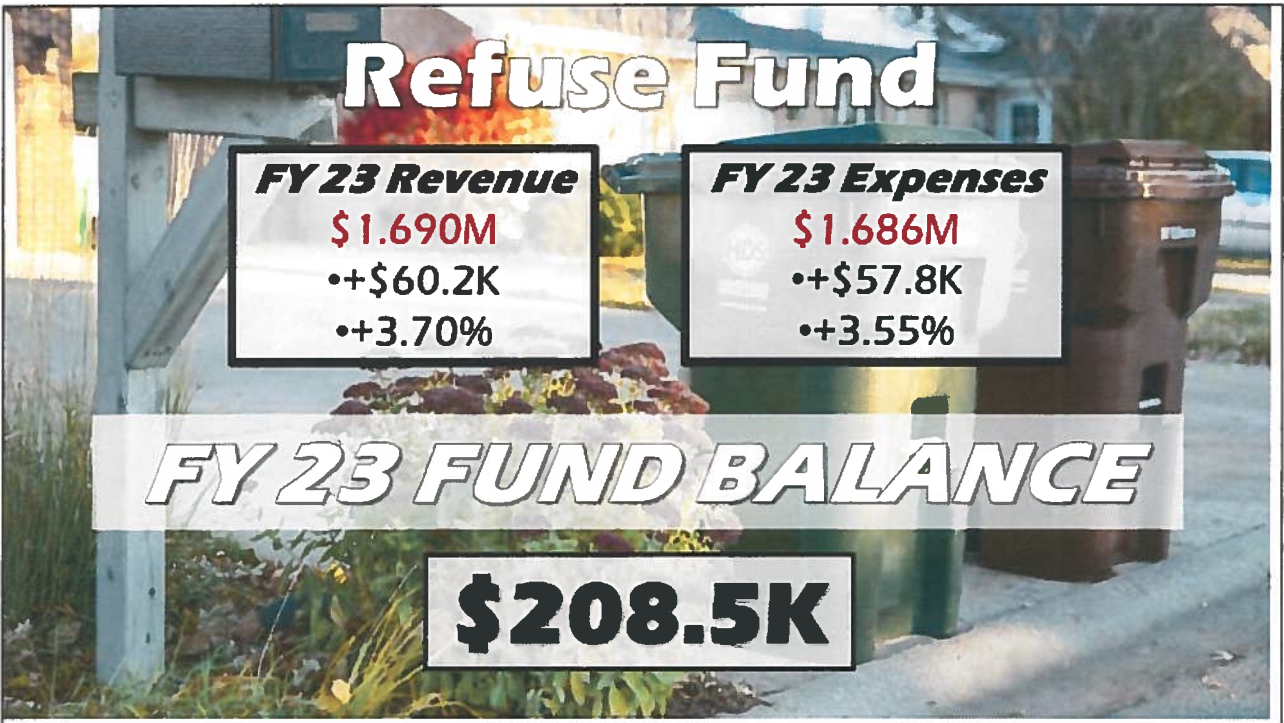
If you have any questions please call Village Hall at 708.479.3900



Enterprise Funds

REFUSE ✓
PARKING LOT ✓
WATER ✓
SEWER ✓

Photo courtesy of Scott Josephs

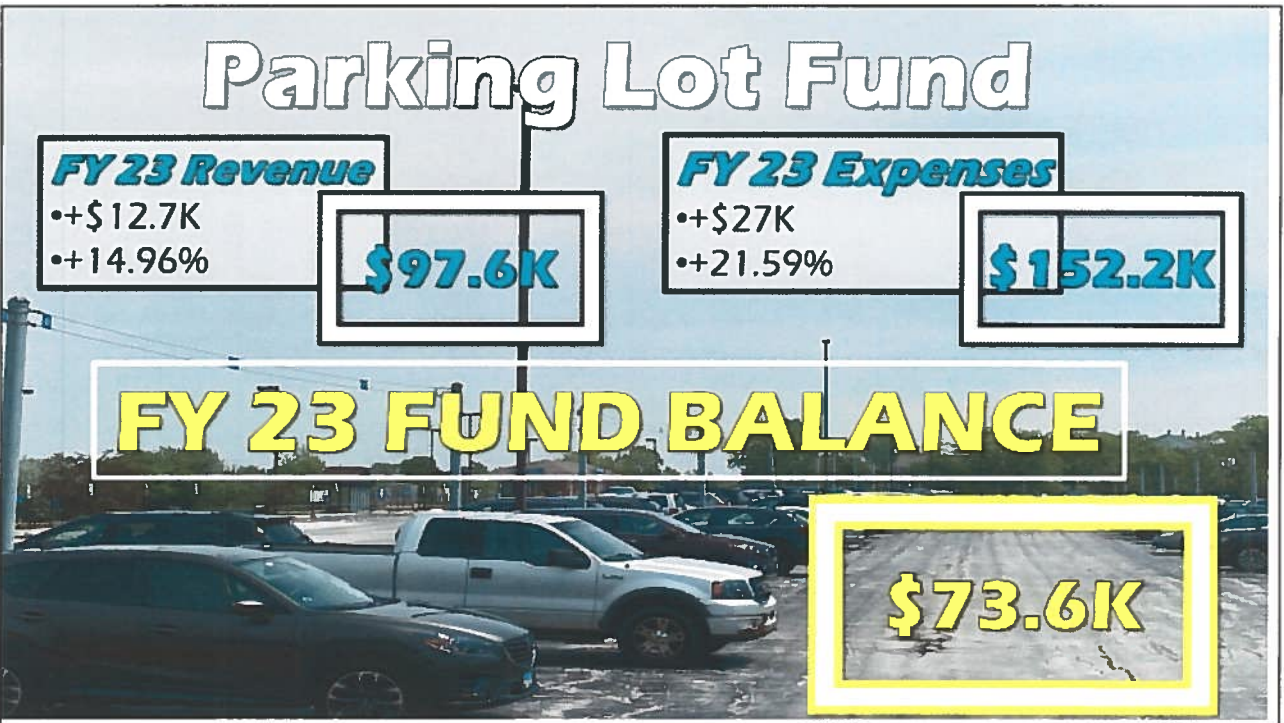


Refuse Fund

FY 23 Revenue	FY 23 Expenses
\$1.690M	\$1.686M
•+\$60.2K	•+\$57.8K
•+3.70%	•+3.55%

FY 23 FUND BALANCE

\$208.5K



Parking Lot Fund

FY 23 Revenue	FY 23 Expenses
•+\$12.7K	•+\$27K
•+14.96%	•+21.59%

\$97.6K

\$152.2K

FY 23 FUND BALANCE

\$73.6K

FY 23 Water/Sewer Rate Variables

Water Rates

- Chicago rate increase June 1, 2022 – 5% or \$.21/1,000
- Delivery component increase - \$.01/1,000 (Oak Lawn)
- Local component increase - \$.03/1,000 (Tinley Park)
- Total proposed rate increase of \$.25/1,000 for FY 23

Sewer Rates

- No proposed increase in FY 23

BREAKDOWN	
CHICAGO	\$0.21
TINLEY PARK	\$0.03
OAK LAWN	\$0.01
TOTAL	\$0.25

Water Operating Fund Summary

FY 22 REVIEW			
	Budget	Expected	Changes
Beg. Fund Balance	2,247,652	2,312,111	64,459
Revenue	5,451,421	5,692,943	241,522
Expenses	5,519,866	5,352,360	(167,506)
Ending Fund Balance	2,179,207	2,652,694	473,487
Fund Balance percentages	39%	50%	

FY 23 REVIEW			
	Budget	Change from FY 22	
Beg. Fund Balance	2,652,694	340,583	Increase
Revenue	5,612,055	(80,888)	Decrease
Expenses	6,035,157	682,797	Increase
Ending Fund Balance	2,229,592	(423,102)	
Fund Balance percentage	37%		

Water Operating Fund

Fiscal Year	Fund Balance (\$)	Recommended (\$)
12	2,247,652	2,247,652
13	2,312,111	2,312,111
14	2,312,111	2,312,111
15	2,312,111	2,312,111
16	2,312,111	2,312,111
17	2,312,111	2,312,111
18	2,312,111	2,312,111
19	2,312,111	2,312,111
20	2,312,111	2,312,111
21	2,312,111	2,312,111
22 Budgeted	2,179,207	2,312,111
22 Estimated	2,652,694	2,312,111
23 Budgeted	2,229,592	2,312,111

TALKING POINTS

- FY 22 Budgeted fund balance \$2.179M with estimated fund balance of \$2.653M or 50%
- FY 23 Fund balance to decrease by (\$423K) to \$2.230M or 37% which is above the target level of 25%
- Water costs equal 56% of budget

FY 22 REVIEW

	Budget	Expected	Changes
Beg. Fund Balance	644,698	683,475	38,777
Revenue	2,018,623	2,088,110	69,487
Expenses	1,985,910	1,761,359	(224,351)
Ending Fund Balance	677,411	1,010,026	332,615
Fund Balance percentages	34%	57%	

Sewer Operating Fund

FY 23 REVIEW

	Budget	Change from FY 22	
Beg. Fund Balance	1,010,026	326,551	Increase
Revenue	2,020,051	(68,059)	Decrease
Expenses	2,387,774	626,215	Increase
Ending Fund Balance	642,303	(367,723)	
Fund Balance percentage	27%		

Photo courtesy of John Hahn

Sewer Operating Fund Summary

Fiscal Year	Fund Balance	Recommended
12	\$450,000	\$500,000
13	\$400,000	\$500,000
14	\$450,000	\$500,000
15	\$450,000	\$500,000
16	\$450,000	\$500,000
17	\$550,000	\$500,000
18	\$600,000	\$500,000
19	\$700,000	\$500,000
20	\$700,000	\$500,000
21	\$750,000	\$500,000
22 Budgeted	\$700,000	\$500,000
22 Estimated	\$1,010,026	\$500,000
23 Budgeted	\$642,303	\$500,000

TALKING POINTS

- FY 22 budgeted fund balance \$677K with estimated fund balance of \$1.0M or 57%
- FY 23 fund balance expected to decrease by (\$368K) to \$642K or 27%
- The FY 23 fund balance is above the 25% target level
- No proposed rate adjustment for FY 23

Photo courtesy of FOLK Klincksowke

WWTP Upgrades / Lake Michigan Water

How do you effectively manage your water and sewer rates?

Plan and save funding for the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades and our portion of the long-term Lake Michigan water system improvements designed to serve our regional growth and reliability for the next 50+ years.

Access to Lake Michigan Water
Credit: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

Photo courtesy of John Hahn

OPERATING FUND BALANCES						
Fund	Begin FY '22	Begin FY '23	Ending FY '23	Recommended Amount	Variance	Actual %
General	\$4,971,265	\$4,101,005	\$5,755,184	\$4,604,616	\$1,150,568	41%
Water	2,312,111	2,652,694	2,229,592	1,508,789	720,803	37%
Sewer	683,475	1,010,026	642,303	596,944	45,359	27%
Parking Lot	121,496	128,187	73,620	38,039	35,581	48%

Photo courtesy of Tom Hain

Village Improvements

VEHICLES

Administration
Replace vehicle (carryover from FY 22)

Police
Replace 3 squads
Add electric ATV

Community Development
Replace 2 trucks (carryover from FY 22)

DPW
Replace 2 trucks w/plows and spreaders
Replace Lift truck
Replace truck w/plow
Replace Street Sweeper
Replace 4 pickups (2 are carryover from FY 22)
Replace 1 box truck

✓ **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

✓ **TREE SURVEY**

✓ **ADDITIONAL FLOCK CAMERAS**

Photo courtesy of Tom Hain

Infrastructure Improvements

- ✓ **\$±1.278M to resurface ±2.70 miles of local roads.**
- ✓ **\$±636K to repair curbs, sidewalks, streets, lights, etc.**
- ✓ **\$±110K pedestrian related upkeep and improvements**
- ✓ **Paving ½ of Hickory Creek Metra Lot**

Photo courtesy of Tom Hain



Mayor Fleischer asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board.

Trustee Fedora thanked Village Administrator John Tomasoski for the detailed presentation.

Trustee Budzyn had no questions or comments.

Trustee Metanias thanked Village Administrator Tomasoski, Finance Director Sharon Dangles and Village staff for their time and effort in presenting the Fiscal Year 2023 budget.

Trustee Engler thanked Village Administrator Tomasoski, Finance Director Sharon Dangles and Village staff for their time and effort with the Fiscal Year 2023 budget under difficult circumstances.

Trustee Richmond advised residents of the 6-month process involved with putting together the Fiscal Year 2023 budget and thanked Village Administrator Tomasoski and Village staff for their hard work. He highlighted the Village's sound financial position that has allowed for capital projects, financial reserves and other funds which have been made possible by current and past Village Boards' and administrations' responsible fiscal maintenance.

Trustee Dauphinais thanked Village Administrator Tomasoski and Village staff for their work on the Fiscal Year 2023 budget and complimented the educational presentation provided to residents. He expressed his excitement for the police station and comprehensive plan included in the Fiscal Year 2023 budget.

Mayor Fleischer asked if any individuals in attendance had questions or comments regarding the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget.

There were no questions or comments from the public.

Village Administrator Tomasoski recognized Finance Director Sharon Dangles for her valuable input and efforts throughout the budget process.

Mayor Fleischer explained that the Fiscal Year 2023 budget process included new members of management and Village staff with new input and ideas. He complimented the hard work and effort of Village Administrator Tomasoski and Finance Director Dangles. He reminded residents of Mokena's long history of fiscal responsibility. He thanked the Village Board and Village staff for their hard work and teamwork.

Trustee Engler made a motion to close the Public Hearing and enter into Regular Session. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2022-O-007 an ordinance adopting the Mokena Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk to execute the same. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

OLD BUSINESS

Fiscal Year 2023 Municipal Water and Sewer Fees Ordinance

Finance Director Sharon Dangles presented an ordinance amending the water rate.

Finance Director Dangles advised as Village Administrator Tomasoski mentioned earlier in his budget presentation, there will be a water rate adjustment of \$.25/1,000 gallons of water which will increase the current rates from \$7.89/1,000 gallons to \$8.14/1,000 gallons effective July 1, 2022. Water customers will not see the increase until they receive their August bills. The monthly impact to the utility invoice for an average user of 8,000 gallons a month will be an additional \$2.00.

All other water and sewer rates will remain the same.

Trustee Engler made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-O-008, an ordinance pertaining to municipal water and sewer fees and to authorize the Village President and Village Clerk to execute same. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$7,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022, of the Village of Mokena, Will County, Illinois, for the purpose of financing various capital improvement projects in and for the Village, including, but not limited to, building and equipping a new public safety facility for the Village, and authorizing the sale of said notes to the purchaser thereof

Finance Director Sharon Dangles stated that on April 11, 2022, Bob Lewis from PMA Securities and Village Administrator John Tomasoski provided a financial overview of the Village's options to fund a new police station based on the bids received. These recommendations were contingent upon the Board utilizing all or a significant portion of the Fiscal Year 2022 general fund surplus. The Board directed Village staff to work with PMA Securities on issuing a promissory note for up to \$7 million to help fund the police station project. It is recommended that the Village issue \$4.75 million of promissory notes to provide for the remainder of the police facility funding.

Trustee Engler made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-O-009 providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$7,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2022, of the Village of Mokena for the purpose of financing various capital improvement projects in and for the Village, including, but not limited to, building and equipping a new public safety facility for the Village, and authorizing the sale of said notes to the purchaser. Trustee Metanias seconded.

AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond
NAYS: (0)
Absent: (0)
Motion carried

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

Community and Economic Development Director Matt Ziska announced new businesses.

Village Administrator Tomasoski provided the public with an update from Silver Cross Hospital regarding COVID-19. He invited everyone to Daniel Potter Day at the Joliet Slammers game scheduled for June 21. He advised residents that the Village Hall is available as a temporary cooling center and arrangements can be made by calling (708) 479-3912.

TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

Trustee Fedora reminded residents of the 4th of July parade beginning at 10:00 a.m. on July 4. Those interested in participating may contact the Chamber of Commerce. She is looking forward to seeing everyone at Food Trucks on Front on June 15 and Daniel Potter Day at the Joliet Slammers game on June 21.

Trustee Budzyn thanked Village staff for their efforts in compiling the Fiscal Year 2023 budget through challenging circumstances. He welcomed back Mayor Fleischer.

Trustee Metanias welcomed back Mayor Fleischer and praised his strength. He thanked Trustee Engler for her significant involvement in planning the Food Trucks on Front event and is looking forward to seeing the community come together. He discussed the conservative fiscal philosophies of the current and past Village Boards which has allowed the Village to pay for the new wastewater treatment plant and police station without burdening taxpayers. He quoted former Trustee Mazzorana in regard to the large amount of tax revenue generated by the Village's industrial businesses that have been brought to Mokena by fiscally responsible Village Boards in order to directly benefit residents. He thanked Village Administrator Tomasoski, Finance Director Dangles, and Village staff for their hard work in preparing the Fiscal Year 2023 budget and suggested the Village Board and staff's positive work be shared to its social media platforms.

Trustee Engler welcomed back Mayor Fleischer. She advised residents of garbage collection beginning early on Tuesday and asked that they place garbage at the curb this evening. She invited everyone to Food Trucks on Front beginning Wednesday, June 15 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the west end of the Front Street Metra lot. She thanked the Village Board and staff for allowing her to move forward with planning the new event. She thanked the public works department, police department, Homewood Disposal, Mokena Park District and Service Sanitation for their involvement with the event. Trustee Engler advised that while adjustments may need to be made as the event progresses, she welcomed comments and suggestions regarding the event by contacting her through the information listed on the Village website. She highlighted downtown businesses Zap! Taco, Little Al's, Aurelio's, Tribes, and Eggcetera Café who she hopes will gain more exposure and benefit from the Food Trucks on Front event.

Trustee Richmond welcomed Mayor Fleischer back and thanked him for continuing to work behind the scenes while he was away. He is looking forward to announcing the Chamber of Commerce's 4th of July parade again this year. He asked Bob Lewis of PMA Securities to describe the Village's financial position as they previously discussed. Mr. Lewis described the Village's financial position as "remarkable".

Trustee Dauphinais welcomed back Mayor Fleischer. He thanked Village Administrator Tomasoski, Finance Director Dangles and Village staff for their hard work in preparing the Fiscal Year 2023 budget. He stated the budget presentation was a terrific guide and educational source for understanding the Village's long history of fiscal responsibility. He thanked the Mokena Baseball and Softball Association for organizing a great event last weekend which included a parade and picnic.

CLERK'S COMMENTS

Clerk Martini welcomed Mayor Fleischer back.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Fleischer quoted Mark Twain: "Rumors of my demise have been very much exaggerated." Mayor Fleischer advised that he feels good, is the Mayor of Mokena and will continue as Mayor for a long time. He told residents he will continue to do the job that he was voted in to do.

Mayor Fleischer thanked and expressed his appreciation towards Trustee Metanias for filling in as Mayor Pro Tem while he was recovering, and for keeping things moving. He thanked the Village Board for coming together and accomplishing a lot while he was away.

Mayor Fleischer advised he has more people to thank and things to discuss at the next Board meeting. He stated he is glad to be back. He thanked Village Administrator Tomasoski for keeping him informed while he was away. He thanked everyone for their concern and well wishes throughout his recovery.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Engler made a motion to adjourn the regular session at 8:07 p.m. Trustee Metanias seconded.

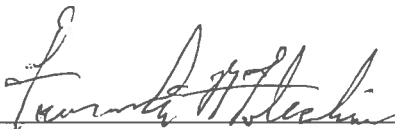
AYES: (6) Budzyn, Dauphinais, Engler, Fedora, Metanias, Richmond

NAYS: (0)

Absent: (0)

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,



Frank A. Fleischer, Village President

ATTEST:



Kathleen Pyznarski, Deputy Clerk