

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
FIRST REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY
Minutes of Monday, January 9, 2017

President Wasowicz called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Mayor Kris Wasowicz, Trustees: Rich Sparr, Rick Symonds, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban and Hank Oszakiewski. Trustee Sue Small was called away on a family emergency so is not in attendance. Attorney Michael Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is present.

PLEDGE:

Village President Kris Wasowicz led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the December 27, 2016 regular Board Meeting as submitted, or if necessary as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the minutes as submitted.

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

VOTE: Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban and Oszakiewski, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Mayor Wasowicz had no formal report.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda had no formal report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Ed Rusch Jr.

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-9 in the amount of \$9121.11, recurring expenses of \$47,891.79 and MFT expenses of \$330.00 for a total of \$57,342.90.

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

VOTE: Trustees Symonds, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski, and Sparr, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Rusch thanked all the department heads for getting their bills in for consideration before the end of the year for timely processing

Trustee Rusch is coordinating with Kelly Zabinski to confirm the date of Wednesday, February 8th from 5:00 until 9:00 pm for the 2017 budget preparation.

Trustee Rusch pointed out the healthy cash position of the village as of the last reconciled Bank Balances Report of January 4, 2017.

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION – Trustee Kuban for Trustee Sue Small

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To place an ad in the 2017 Rosary Hill Home ad book.
SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
VOTE: Trustees Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski, Sparr and Symonds, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To make a customary donation to the Special Olympics of Illinois.
SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Oszakiewski, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

The 2017 Food Pantry distributions will occur on Tuesday, January 17th and on Tuesday, April 18th here at the village hall. Volunteers should arrive at around 2:30 pm.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES – Trustee Melanie Kuban

Trustee Kuban recognized both Chief Jeff Ketchen of the Roberts Park Fire Protection District and Chief Kraig McDermott of the Justice Police Department who are in attendance this evening.

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve the theme of “Community Unity” for the 2017-2018 Vehicle Sticker Design Contest.
SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Sparr, Symonds, Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES – Trustee Rich Sparr

Trustee Sparr is working with Building Commissioner Ed Shilka to create a process to deal with any blighted or non-compliant properties in Justice, from initial notification of the specific violations to bringing those issues into housing court when necessary to insure compliance. The process will need to start with prioritizing life- safety and code violations that exist. He is asking our officials and department heads to discreetly provide addresses of any properties in obvious need of our attention.

Trustee Sparr is proposing the creation of a program to assist those property owners who are unable to comply due to hardship or health reasons. Whether it be partnering with community organizations or finding a grant opportunity he would like to implement a Homeowner Assistance program. Please bring your ideas and input to an upcoming committee meeting.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Oszakiewski

Trustee Oszakiewski wished to all a healthy and happy New Year.

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the Home Occupation license of Jan & Kris Remodeling, Inc. doing business at 8237 S. 82nd Ave. in Justice, being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOTE: Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban and Oszakiewski aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Oszakiewski announced that the next Economic Development Planning Board Meeting will occur on Thursday, January 19th at 7:00 pm. He sincerely welcomes the two new members, David Shipyor and Karen Warner and looks forward to their participation.

The next Justice Chamber of Commerce Meeting is on Thursday, February 9th, at 6:00 pm at the Justice Public Library.

We are targeting Wednesday, March 15th at 5:00 pm at the Lipinski Community Center for a Business Appreciation Dinner; more information to follow.

Trustee Kuban reminded all that Mr. Jeff Kranig had informed us of a program to help veterans with painting and repairs that would collaborate well with Trustee Sparr's goals for a Homeowner Assistance Program.

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE–Trustee Richard Symonds

Trustee Symonds added his own wishes for a happy and healthy New Year.

Public Works Work Schedule
December 27, 2016 to January 6, 2017

During snow days, plowed and salted all village streets.
Approximately 400 tons of salt has been used this winter.
Rebuilt manhole in alley east of Roberts Road and 85th Street.
Blue directional signs (Building Dept. /Public Works/Industrial) installed on Cork & 82nd Place and also on 83rd Street.
Numerous faded stop signs replaced.
New blades installed on snow plows – truck #'s 4A, 5A, 17 and 22.
New brakes and hubs installed on truck #43.
Sewer jet rodding at several locations.
Regular maintenance on police vehicles, public works vehicles and small equipment.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To approve Ordinance 2017-01, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11, UTILITIES, ARTICLE 2, WATER, BY DELETING SECTION 11-14, POTABLE WATER, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Oszakiewski, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To approve Ordinance 2017-02, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11, UTILITIES, ARTICLE 2, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY ADDING SECTION 11-14, SITE SPECIFIC GROUNDWATER USE RESTRICTION ZONE, TO THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Sparr, Symonds, Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Symonds stated that these ordinances allow the village to be part of the decision making with regard to groundwater and public drainage systems.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney Michael Cainkar had no report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none of note.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

**Village of Justice
President and Board of Trustees
SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:
Wednesday, January 18, 2017, 7:30pm**

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Small
Any matters before the committee including an employee evaluation process.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Kuban
Any matters before the committee including travel expense legislation.

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Sparr
Any matters before the committee including a process to prioritize blighted properties and establish a program to help underprivileged homeowners with blight and code violation issues.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Oszakiewski
Any new business licenses or home occupation applications available for review and any other matters before the committee.

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Trustee Symonds
Any matters before the committee including an **Executive Session** to discuss maintenance worker position applications and an employment issue.

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Rusch

Posted payables, update on the budget process and other matters before the committee.

Executive Session: To discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of one or more employees.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen M. Svoboda, Village Clerk