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, Hank Oszakiewski and Sue Small. 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 February 13, 2017 Regular Board Meeting as submitted, or if necessary as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To approve the minutes as submitted.
SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
VOTE: Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski and Small, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:
Mayor Wasowicz read into the record a Proclamation naming the week of March 5, 2017 to March 11, 2017 as National Severe Weather Awareness Week in the Village of Justice. The Proclamation confirms that we will participate in the State-wide tornado drill on Tuesday, March 7th at 10:00 am. We also commit to promote severe weather safety information to the general public and encourage businesses, industry and residents to recognize severe weather as it may approach our area.

VILLAGE CLERK’S REPORT:
Clerk Kathy Svoboda announced that she was informed of an agency who will accept televisions for recycling. Burr Ridge Public Works at 451 Commerce Street in Burr Ridge will accept televisions with screens under 21” for $25.00 and over 21” screens for a $35.00 donation. They have assistance available to unload.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES – Trustee Rich Sparr
Trustee Sparr spoke about actions to assist residents at 82nd Avenue and 84th Street with the issue of a crumbling retaining wall. He has authorized the village engineer to assist with the design portion of the wall, but it is a private improvement and we will not finance the cost of the wall.

The abandoned properties grant is being reviewed and efforts are continuing to identify all vacant properties.
A commercial location at 85th and Roberts Road, just south of the Roberts Road Bible Church, has been newly purchased and the owner is encouraged to seek economic development advice from Matt Zarebczan, our Economic Development Director.

The Frontage Road Sidewalk Grant provided by STP funds has agency agreements in process and we await final approval to begin Phase 1 Engineering.

There is a situation occurring at 76th Place and Garden Lane. The vacant, residential parcel has become a constant path from Sterling Estates to Garden Lane through a hole in the fence. We will contact Sterling Estates to see that the fence gets repaired.

The property at 8801 84th St. had additional borings required to be performed and we await the evaluation of those borings to proceed with the remediation.

Burke Engineering will complete the Tollway feasibility study in 2017. We were awarded an additional $2,000,000.00 for Phase II of the Tollway Project which will be project engineering.

ECOnomic DeVeLOPment And BuSineSS LicEnSeS: Trustee Oszakiewski

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the business license of Wired Truck, Inc. to operate a truck parts & service business located at 8237 S. 86th Court, Justice, having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

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

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the business license of Madhavi Gadde DMD Ltd to operate a Dentist’s Office at 8535 W. 79th Street in Justice having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

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

Trustee Oszakiewski added that we are collecting responses for the Business Appreciation Dinner being held at the Lipinski Center on March 15th.

Also, please Save the Date; the Justice Chamber of Commerce Rib Fest is scheduled this year on Saturday, July 22, 2017 at the Lipinski Community Center.

PuBlic UtิLities And InFRAstrucTuRe—Trustee Richard Symonds

Public Works Work Schedule for weeks of: February 13th to February 24, 2017

Bushes were trimmed along Lipinski Center back fence.
Sink holes were repaired at 82nd St. & 82nd Ave. and at 84th Ct. & 83rd St.
Missing (blue) street signs were installed and numerous stop signs were replaced.
Several sanitary sewer lines were jet rodded including the sanitary lines at the Lipinski Center and the Public Works Building.
The main air-compressor was replaced in the shop at the Public Works garage.
At Jocare Pond: Public Works dug a trench to the outlet to help keep the ponds dry.
The street-sweeper and an operator were sent to Willow Springs to sweep their streets (they will reimburse us for operator time and use of equipment).
The control handles were repaired on the JVC backhoe.
200 tons of salt was delivered.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To approve publishing a Notice to Bid and to accept bids for the cleaning and televising of sanitary sewers on 87th Avenue from 80th Street to the Tollway and 80th Street from 87th Avenue to 86th Court as part of the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), project #1606-016, commonly known as the 80th Street/87th Avenue Project.
SECOND: Trustee Rusch
VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Oszakiewski, Small, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To accept a proposal from C.J. Dewitz Electric, 9709 S. 90th Avenue, Palos Hills, IL 60465 in the amount of $23,750.00.) for the labor required to install the fixtures and lamps being provided by Twin Supplies, LTD, funded by the DCEO Rebate Program.
SECOND: Trustee Small
VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Small, Sparr, Symonds, Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Ed Rusch Jr.
MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-28 in the amount of $8,252.41, recurring expenses of $47,460.54 and MFT expenses of $4,540.87, for a total of $60,253.82.
SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Oszakiewski, Small, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Rusch commented that an executive session to discuss raises for non-bargaining unit employees will likely occur on March 8, 2017 at the regularly scheduled committee meeting.

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION – Trustee Sue Small
Trustee Small reported that annual employee reviews are underway. This year she has implemented a 360 degree review process in which supervisors review employees and employees review supervisors and liaisons.

We are seeking a part-time, seasonal worker in the Finance Office. Applications and resumes are being collected for a spring start.

Scholarship Applications are being accepted from graduating seniors who reside in Justice and will attend college in the fall who wish to apply. Applications are also available on the website. The due date for applications is April 14th this year.
The Stagg HS Arts & Crafts Fair is scheduled for March 18 & 19th. Admission is $2.00 to enter.

The Argo HS Higher Education Foundation will host a Casino Night on Friday, March 3rd at Toyota Park. It promises to be an entertaining fundraiser for a great cause.

An informational meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, March 9th (and again on Tuesday March 28th) at the Justice Village Hall to provide an opportunity to learn more about the Roberts Park Fire Protection District Referendum. Please attend in order to better understand the issue and to determine how you will vote on the Referendum at the Consolidated General Election being held on Tuesday, April 4th, to join, or not to join the Roberts Park Fire Protection District. An informational video is up on the village’s website as well, at www.villageofjustice.org.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES – Trustee Melanie Kuban

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve Ordinance 2017-08, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, BY ADDING ARTICLE XXII, REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES TO THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE.

SECOND: Trustee Small
Trustee Kuban explained that this legislation was reviewed last month in committee but we failed to enact it until now.

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

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To schedule the First Regular Board Meeting of March, on March 13, 2017 at 7:00 pm to allow for time to conduct the swearing in of a police officer.

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

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

Trustee Kuban commented that informational meetings will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, March 9th and again on Wednesday March 29th at the Justice Village Hall to learn more about the Roberts Park Fire Protection District Referendum.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT:
Attorney Michael Cainkar requests that we convene an Executive Session this evening to discuss Pending Litigation.

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:
PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Trustee Symonds
Any matters before the committee including possible executive session regarding acquisition of property.

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Rusch
Posted payables, update on the budget process and any other matters before the committee.

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Small
Any matters before the committee including discussion regarding extending the contract with Groot and possible executive session for deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of non-bargaining unit employees.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Kuban
Any matters before the committee.

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Sparr
Any matters before the committee including plans to create a vacant property registration process and construction of a beer garden at the Duett Bar.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Oszakiewski
Further discussion regarding a meeting with Countryside that provided Economic Development ideas and initiatives and any new business licenses or home occupations available for review. Possible discussion regarding requests for Video Gaming.

Possible Executive Session:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:
Mr. Mike Gordon asked if there was any progress regarding his issues with his neighbor.
President Wasowicz informed him that this was not the forum to discuss this disagreement. Speak to the trustee liaison to the Building Department, Rich Sparr after the meeting.

Mrs. Diane Powers asked about a sinkhole at 8817 ½ 84th Place.
Director Joe Cekus replied that the hole requires replacement of an underground pipe, then stone and paving to be properly repaired and that no truck parking will be strictly enforced once the repair is completed.

ADJOURNMENT:
The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn to Closed Session to discuss Pending Litigation.
MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.
SECOND: Trustee Symonds
VOICE VOTE: All ayes.
Meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 7:57 pm.
Meeting reconvened at 9:00 pm.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.
MOTION: Trustee Small so Moves.
SECOND: Trustee Sparr
VOICE VOTE: All ayes.
Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kathleen M. Svoboda, Village Clerk