

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL
Minutes of Monday, April 25, 2016

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Trustees: Rich Sparr, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban, Hank Oszakiewski and Sue Small. Trustee Rick Symonds is attending electronically; he is on duty at the firehouse. 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 April 11, 2016 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 stated that the construction season in the Village of Justice has opened with a bang! He added that it just goes to show what can be accomplished with the proper leadership. The progress is clearly evident and in a few years our village will be unrecognizable.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Village Clerk Kathy Svoboda reminded all that we are still accepting applications for 2016 scholarship awards. Applications are being accepted until May 1st.

The Vehicle Sticker Design Contest presentation will be held on May 9th at 7:00 pm before the regular board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES – Trustee Melanie Kuban

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve an agreement for the Village of Justice Police dispatchers to provide dispatch services for the day-shift, as needed, for the Willow Springs Police Department effective 04/21/2016.

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

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

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve Ordinance 2016-15. AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 12, ZONING, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

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

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To authorize the immediate codification of ordinances through and including the Amendments to Chapter 12, Zoning.

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

Trustee Kuban reminded all that the next Neighborhood Watch Meeting is this Thursday, April 28th at 7:00 pm. here in the village hall.

Trustee Kuban then thanked everyone involved in the arduous task of rewriting Chapter 12, Zoning, of the village code.

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES – Trustee Rich Sparr

Trustee Sparr thanked Ed Shilka and the building department staff for all the hard work throughout the demolition process at the triangle. It looks so different now that it is cleared.

The contractor (A-Lamp) working on Frontage Road was pleased to report that the base is better than expected.

The detour has created considerable traffic and speeding through the residential area is a problem. The speed limit indicator was helping until the power gave out. Trustee Sparr is now powering it from his house.

Considerable repairs were indicated that resulted from a broken pipe in the wall that flooded much of the downstairs area. Also repair and updates to the Fire Department washroom were accomplished. A new hot water tank for the building was installed and an additional tank in the finance office kitchen.

A final remediation plan for the gas station property at 8401 88th Ave. has been submitted. It is our hope that the project will resume in June.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To authorize Hoeffler/Butler Engineering to develop and provide an updated Zoning Map for the Village of Justice incorporating all changes since the last zoning map was issued.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Henry Oszakiewski

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve a single roll call vote for passage of Home Occupation Licenses for the business applicants 1-6 listed on the consent agenda.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

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

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the Home Occupation licenses 1-6 as listed on the Consent Agenda.

Home Occupation License Applications:

1. A Plus Construction as a construction business at 8451 S. 79th Court, Justice
2. R L Towing Inc. operating as a Towing business at 8019 S. 85th Avenue, Justice
3. SMS Consulting operating as a Business Consulting business at 7225 S. 86th Avenue, Justice
4. Lakeshore Transportation Corp. operating as a Transport business at 8141 W. 84th Place, Apt# 1F, Justice
5. MOD Exteriors Inc. operating as a Construction Business at 8918 W. 85th Place, Justice
6. STX Homes Inc. operating as a Construction Business at 7231 Bradford Court, Justice

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

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

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the Business License for Kali Justice Inc. d/b/a Zak's Food & Liquor to operate as a Grocery Store without meat, and requesting a tobacco license at 8584 S. 88th Avenue, Justice.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

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

Matt Zarebczan reported that the Economic Development Planning Commission is looking forward to hosting a discussion with the end-users at the triangle property regarding proposed plans for the development.

Both Frontage Road and the Illinois Jobs Now projects are underway. The Memo of Understanding with the Tollway is held up a bit awaiting the results of the traffic modeling that is underway.

The Flower Pot Program is proceeding. We hope to have the pots out mid-May.

Trustee Oszakiewski added that the Justice Chamber of Commerce and the Bridgeview Chamber will host a Business Expo at the community center on May 21st. The Justice Chamber is also looking forward to meeting the end-users at the triangle property once they are clearly determined.

Trustee Rusch asked if we will still entertain alternate proposals for development at the triangle. Mayor Wasowicz replied that purchase of the property from the bank will be by the developer and once that purchase is finalized we will have input regarding the specifics of the development being proposed. We have a beneficial interest in the property as well.

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE—Trustee Sue Small for Trustee Rick Symonds

MOTION: Trustee Small Moves: To authorize Director Joe Cekus to interview for and hire two, summer helpers in Public Works at \$10.50 per hour contingent upon passage of the customary background check and drug screen.

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

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

MOTION: Trustee Small Moves: To approve the purchase of 245 additional, Blue Street signs from LA Traffic Signs in Crown Point, IN with MFT funds that meet the mandated requirements for retro-reflectivity for installation in the Highlands and on the Northside for the amount of \$3,985.00.

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

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

Public Works Work Schedule for weeks of: April 18, 2016 to April 22, 2016

Truck #17 was repaired by Lindco at no charge.

New brake lines were installed on Truck 5C.

A clutch was replaced on the chipper.

A concrete structure/basin was cleaned and the grate painted at the 85th St. & 90th Ave. Ditch.

Storm drains were cleaned and manholes vacuumed along Cork Ave., from 75th St. to 76th Pl.

All traffic control signs were removed from Frontage Rd., for construction.

The Public Works employees would like to thank all those who were able to attend the Barbeque/luncheon that was held on April 15th. The cost of the luncheon was funded by the sale of scrap metal that Public Works recycled from repairs to our vehicles and street signs.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Ed Rusch Jr.

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-33 in the amount of \$27,439.49 and recurring expenses of \$131,927.80, MFT expenses of \$6,902.80, TIF #2 expenses of \$ 353.50, TIF #3 expenses of \$1,060.50, and TIF #4 expenses of \$3,130.41 for a total of \$170,814.50.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

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

Trustee Rusch added that we continue to maintain a healthy financial position. At this point a full third of our budget year will soon be expended, and it is a good time for department heads to review expenditures in comparison to budget. We are aware some revenues and some expenses are cyclical but taking that into consideration, it is still a good time to review.

Trustee Rusch will attempt to have a working document for board members to review through April, by the end of May.

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION – Trustee Sue Small

The next food pantry distribution is scheduled for Tuesday, May 17, 2016.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT: Attorney Michael Cainkar had no report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none of note.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Sparr commented about the very evident positive direction the village is taking. Throughout all departments and with all department heads and employees everyone is doing their part to create progress and improvement to the community.

Trustee Rusch remarked about how cooperative and effective the police department was recently when he expressed his concerns regarding the semi-trucks parking in the median to enter the Dunkin Donuts strip mall.

Trustee Oszakiewski complimented the outstanding job performed by Ed Shilka coordinating the clearing and demolition of the triangle property. He deserves high praise for a job well done.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Wednesday, May 4, 2016

7:00 pm

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Sparr

Any matters before the committee including renewal of the agreement with IC&SC for bus shelters and the purchase of informational signs for the Building Department, Public Works, and for the Industrial Park.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Oszakiewski

Discussion of the business plan for Lucky Penny’s, Bryan Sterbenz the project development manager will attend. Any business licenses and home occupations available for review.

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Trustee Symonds

Any matters before the committee including the Rain Barrel Program, update regarding summer help and discussion regarding Joe's search for a new dump truck.

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Rusch

Posted payables and other matters before the committee including discussion regarding implementing an EAP (Employee Assistance Program.)

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Small

Any matters before the committee including plans for Memorial Day, newspaper ads for Memorial Day and Graduation, review of scholarship applications, donation to Senior's Club, Christmas decorations and job descriptions for non-union employees.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Kuban

Any matters before the committee including a request for road closure for the SD #109, Resurrection Run.

Executive Session: If required.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mike Maruszak expressed his concern regarding the lack of a crosswalk across Archer Road at Oak Grove.

Yes, especially when there is heavy attendance at Damar and people are crossing at night. IDOT moves slowly and special signalization is required. We continue to lobby for a crosswalk.

Ms. Cookie Gaskin thanked the board for finally getting the road improvements started on 86th Ave. She is so pleased to see the project underway.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn

MOTION: Trustee Small so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Rusch

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen M. Svoboda, Village Clerk