

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL  
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MAY  
Minutes of Monday, May 22, 2017

President Wasowicz called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

**ROLL CALL:**

Clerk Suzanne Small called the roll. Present are Mayor Kris Wasowicz, Trustees: Rich Sparr, Rick Symonds, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban and Hank Oszakiewski. 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.

**PRESENTATION OF VEHICLE STICKER DESIGN CONTEST WINNERS:**

**President Wasowicz welcomed our distinguished guests from School District 109. Retiring Superintendent Jon Nebor and recently appointed Superintendent Blair Nuccio were among the guests. Mayor Wasowicz added that we received many creative entries and choosing the winning designs was a difficult task.**

**The winners were announced and the First Place Winner was awarded a plaque displaying her winning sticker design. First, second and third place winners were awarded a monetary prize from the village and were also recognized by President Orley Betcher of the Justice Chamber of Commerce with a certificate and the congratulations of the chamber.**

**First Place – Ms. Monika Pituch – Brodnicki School**

**Second Place – Nicole Mirecki – Brodnicki School**

**Third Place – Aleks Wozniak – Wilkins Elementary School**

**Presentation to the 2017 Scholarship Winners:**

**President Wasowicz then announced our five, scholarship winners from among those entered. All are residents of Justice and graduating seniors attending college in the fall. This year, all five winners are from Argo Community High School.**

**The 2017 Scholarship Winners are:**

**Nidhi Dave**

**Edyta Sikon**

**Vincent Longhi**

**Daniel McGee**

**Kathryn McGee**

**President Wasowicz provided a few details about the qualifications and plans for the future of each of these fine young people.**

**A brief recess for cake and coffee in honor of both the Vehicle Sticker Design Contest Winners and the Scholarship Winners was observed.**

**The meeting resumed at 7:30 pm.**

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

President Wasowicz had no formal report.

**VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:**

Clerk Sue Small had no formal report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION – Trustee Melanie Kuban**

**MOTION:** Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve publishing an ad in the DesPlaines Valley News honoring the 2017 Graduates and an ad in the Village View commemorating the Fourth of July for a combined cost of \$460.00.

**SECOND:** Trustee Oszakiewski

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

**MOTION:** Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve closing the Finance Office on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, during the Memorial Day weekend.

**SECOND:** Trustee Oszakiewski

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

Trustee Kuban reminded all that our Memorial Day Service will occur on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am at the Veteran's Memorial in Commissioner's Park.

We will honor our veterans at our customary Veteran's Dinner on either Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> or Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

Winter Wonderland is being planned for Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and Holiday Baskets will be distributed on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES – Trustee Melanie Kuban**

**MOTION:** Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve Ordinance 2017-15, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1, GENERAL PROVISIONS, BY ADDING SECTION 1-18, BOND FEES, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE.**

**SECOND:** Trustee Symonds

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

Trustee Kuban explained that this legislation allows us to collect a \$20.00 fee for the collecting and processing of bail deposits.

Trustee Kuban added that Homeland Security will once again present the Fifth District SWAT with valuable equipment to upgrade our equipment and improve our effectiveness. This year we anticipate receiving close to \$500,000.00 worth of equipment including Night Vision Goggles and Thermal Imaging Scopes.

Mayor Wasowicz and Trustee Kuban recently attended a presentation regarding the award of equipment and most sincerely thanks Deputy Chief Mike Kurschner for all his work with Homeland on our behalf.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Oszakiewski**

- MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve Ordinance 2017-16, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3, BUSINESS REGULATIONS, BY ADDING ARTICLE XXVII, INVALIDITY OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, TO THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE.
- SECOND: Trustee Kuban
- VOTE: Trustees, Kuban, Oszakiewski, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Oszakiewski explained that this ordinance confirms our opting out of the minimum wage and sick leave legislation as enacted by Cook County.

The next Economic Planning Board Meeting is being held on Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Plans for tree planting are being evaluated for either Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> or June 10<sup>th</sup>. Let Brittany, our Economic Planning Coordinator, know your availability to participate.

Trustee Oszakiewski presented Deputy Clerk Kathy Svoboda with a photo collage from her recent retirement party.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE – Trustee Symonds**

Public Works Work Schedule for weeks of: May 8<sup>th</sup> to May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017

The Lipinski Center fence has been removed and landscaping restoration is complete.

In Danhoff Park: Retaining wall, drainage improvements, two sink holes, and the sod is complete.

A 72” SCAG, used riding lawnmower was purchased.

Sink holes were repaired on Christeen Drive and 83<sup>rd</sup> Avenue.

All trucks are now serviced and ready for summer; the plows and spreaders have been removed and scheduled maintenance is done.

A new battery was installed on the hot box and a tune-up was performed.

Grass-cutting is occurring in detention ponds and on village-owned properties.

Street sweeping is underway.

Numerous pot holes throughout town are being filled.

- MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To authorize Public Works Director Joe Cekus to purchase American Flags and poles needed to replace those in poor condition at a cost of \$550.00
- SECOND: Trustee Kuban
- VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Sparr, Symonds, Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

**BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES – Trustee Rich Sparr**

Trustee Sparr announced that final agreements are being executed for the \$75,000.00 Abandoned Properties Grant.

Spring cleaning is occurring in all village owned buildings and properties.

The date for the 2017 Auto Show is set for Friday, August 25, 2017 from 4:00 until 10:00 pm.

**FINANCE AND INSURANCE - Trustee Ed Rusch Jr.**

**MOTION:** Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables 1-42 in the amount of \$63,101.89, recurring expenses of \$136,3623.72, MFT expenses of \$330.00, TIF #2 expenses of \$678.60, TIF #3 expenses of \$4,750.00 and TIF #4 expenses of \$7,342.75, for a total of \$212,566.96.

**SECOND:** Trustee Kuban

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

Trustee Rusch commented that he will table the ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article II regarding officers and paying over of fees.

The proposed legislation will be reviewed at the next regular committee meeting.

Trustee Rusch added that our Financial House in in good order. He recently became aware that we inadvertently did not budget for our share of the LED Street Lighting Project but we were able to elicit the necessary funding from our Capital Projects line and stay within our proposed budget.

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT:**

Attorney Mike Cainkar had no formal report.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Clerk Small quoted correspondence from Steven J. Rauschenberger of the Technology & Manufacturing Association thanking the village for opting out of the new Cook County ordinances regulating minimum wage and employee personal time off (PTO).

The Association and its members are opposed to these ordinances and are grateful for our leadership in ensuring our municipality opted out of these costly mandates.

Those members who are in Cook County pay some of America's highest property taxes because of the Cook County property tax classification system. Many of our Cook County members are additionally paying some of the highest sales taxes in the United States. And all our TMA members are subject to Illinois' very expensive Workmen's Compensation system. They conclude that adding further regulation and compliance costs just doesn't make sense.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Village of Justice  
President and Board of Trustees  
SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:  
Wednesday, June 7, 2017  
7:00 pm**

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

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES:** Trustee Oszakiewski  
Any matters before the committee.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES:** Trustee Rick Symonds  
Update regarding progress of the Danhoff Park agreement and other matters before the committee.

**BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES:** Trustee Sparr  
Any matters before the committee.

**FINANCE & INSURANCE:** Trustee Rusch  
Posted payables and any other matters before the committee.

**ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION:**  
Any matters before the committee.

**Possible Executive Session:**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Ms. Liz Chicola asked when the project to redesign 86<sup>th</sup> Ave. at Archer Ave. and 75<sup>th</sup> Street would commence.

Matt Zarebczan replied that Phase II Design Engineering is underway and we are working with MWRD regarding detention. Underground storage may be necessary. Regardless the letting should be late 2017 or early 2018 with construction in 2018.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.

**MOTION:** Trustee Sparr so Moves.

**SECOND:** Trustee Symonds

**VOICE VOTE:** All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kathleen M. Svoboda  
Deputy Village Clerk