

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL  
FIRST REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF JULY  
Minutes of Monday, July 13, 2015

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. by Mayor Kris Wasowicz.

**ROLL CALL:**

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Village President 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 also 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 June 22, 2015 Board Meeting as submitted, or if necessary, as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Small

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

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Village President Kris Wasowicz welcomed all in attendance; he remarked about the nice turnout from the public for tonight's meeting. He is glad to see the added interest in our municipal operations.

**VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:**

Clerk Kathy Svoboda commented that on Friday, July 17, State Representative Mike Zalewski will be here at the village hall from noon until 3:00 pm to meet with village residents and discuss their concerns, suggestions or comments. Please stop in and meet our State Representative.

Clerk Svoboda read a letter from the Customer Service Managers of the Chicago Passport Agency complimenting the Village of Justice Staff for their commendable knowledge and practices when serving the traveling public with their passport application processes. They sincerely congratulated our staff on their excellent marks on the evaluation.

Clerk Svoboda added that Margaret Garbacz is our resident passport expert and has personally added to the knowledge of all of the Finance Office staff who also attended training downtown, at the Chicago Passport Agency.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables 1-33 in the amount of \$50,494.51, recurring expenses of \$57,521.18, MFT expenses of \$11,879.32, TIF #2 expenses of \$731.25, TIF #3 expenses of \$487.50 and TIF #4 expenses of \$25,390.51 for a total of \$146,504.27.

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

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

Trustee Rusch added that our department heads are very diligent about staying within budgetary guidelines.

Trustee Rusch has scheduled a meeting with the President of the Police and Fire Commission, George Pastorino, to discuss budgetary concerns of the commission.

Trustee Rusch then thanked Finance Office Manager, Margaret Garbacz, for the recent demonstration of our government operating software to better equip our elected officials to closely monitor our budgetary position. He has asked Margaret to provide a six month budget review at the next available committee meeting.

**ADMINISTRATION BUILDING & RECREATION – Trustee Sue Small**

**MOTION:** Trustee Small Moves: To approve **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE III, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, DIVISION 1, GENERALLY, BY CHANGING SECTION 2-85, STANDING COMMITTEES COMPOSITION, APPOINTMENT, CHAIRMAN, AND SECTION 2-86, STANDING COMMITTEES – ENUMERATED, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE**

**SECOND:** Trustee Kuban

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

Trustee Small explained that the law regarding conducting public meetings had recently changed. This legislation provides for compliance with the changes and redefines the committees to better reflect the practices of the village board. In the past, there was no mention of an Economic Development liaison and that responsibility has been added as well.

Trustee Small asked Janet Cervantes to speak to the next available Food Pantry. The next distribution is scheduled for August 18<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are welcome. Please arrive at 2:30 pm. Sincere compliments to Janet for the outstanding work she does for the Food Pantry and many other projects for the village.

**ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING – Trustee Henry Oszakiewski**

**MOTION:** Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the Business License for I Corp. dba Environmental Recycling & Disposal operating from 2277 W. Moen Ave. in Rockdale, IL, having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

**SECOND:** Trustee Symonds

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

**MOTION:** Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the Business License for B&D Investment Group dba the Justice Party Hall at 8507 S. 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Justice, having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

**SECOND:** Trustee Sparr

**VOTE:** Trustees Oszakiewski, Small, Sparr, Rusch and Kuban, aye. Trustee Symonds voted no. Motion passed.

The Chamber of Commerce will host their annual Rib Roast at the Lipinski Community Center on Saturday, July 25, 2015 from noon until 3:00 pm. The cost is \$22.00 per adult person for all-you-can-eat ribs and accompaniments.

Trustee Oszakiewski added that the next Economic Development Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Agenda items include discussion surrounding Dog Parks and Welcome Signs. Trustee Oszakiewski is hoping to host a community meeting to gather input surrounding the potential creation of a dog park.

**PUBLIC SAFETY – Trustee Melanie Kuban**

Trustee Kuban reminded the public that in the event of excessive heat we always have cooling centers available. In fact, the village hall is a cooling center. Call the Justice Police Department at 458-2191, 24 hours a day, if the need arises.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES –Trustee Rick Symonds**

Trustee Symonds added his sincere thanks to Janet Cervantes for her excellent work with the food pantry and other projects.

Trustee Symonds quoted the Public Works Report for the weeks of June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 10<sup>th</sup>. An additional 50 flags were installed along the main streets before the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. A manhole was rebuilt at 7460 S. Cork Ave. Tires were installed on the tractors. Air leak was repaired on truck #4 and new hydraulic lines were installed on truck #10.

Asphalt grinding was performed on Garden Lane between 76<sup>th</sup> Place and 75<sup>th</sup> Street, on 76<sup>th</sup> Place from Blazer to Garden Lane, and on Cork Avenue from 76<sup>th</sup> Place to 75<sup>th</sup> Street. Asphalt was repaired at 8817 ½ 84<sup>th</sup> Place following repair to a sinkhole.

Trustee Kuban asked questions regarding the practice of grinding only the sides of the pavement on streets where an overlay would increase the grade in flood plain and floodway areas. Aren't we violating FEMA guidelines that do not allow adding to the current grade? This is evident on Cork, Blazer and on 76<sup>th</sup> Place.

Considerable discussion occurred with the resolution being to contact the village engineer for an evaluation of the proposed process and a recommendation for grinding and overlaying in flood zone areas.

**BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Rich Sparr**

Trustee Sparr recalled the warm welcome our delegation received in Springfield from Senator Steve Landek and Representative Mike Zalewski when they visited. Representative Zalewski will be here on the 17<sup>th</sup> of July. Please stop in and share your comments with him.

Reminder – the Justice Car Show in cooperation with the Justice Park District will be held on Friday, August 28, 2015 from 4:00 pm until 9:00 pm.

Trustee Sparr continues to work on establishing a sign at 83<sup>rd</sup> and 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue to identify the industrial area businesses and that is acceptable to the County.

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

There was none of note.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

**Wednesday, July 22, 2015**

**7:00 pm**

**PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Trustee Symonds**

Any matters before the committee including updates from Joe Cekus for the 2015 street resurfacing program

**FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Rusch**

Review of posted payables and other matters before the committee including a six month budget review and discussion of the use of line items (revenue streams) for capital projects.

**ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Small**

Any matters before the committee including plans for HR related training classes for non- police department employees and a UHC hosted Wellness Event.

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Kuban**

Any matters before the committee including possible updates regarding an Intergovernmental Agreement and a Resolution authorizing the closing of Archer Ave. from 7:00 am until 11:30 am on October 18<sup>th</sup>, for the Resurrection Run.

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

Any matters before the committee including any Economic Development updates and any new licenses available for review including - Mo Mobile at 8304 S. 88<sup>th</sup> Ave in Justice.

**BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Sparr**

Any matters before the committee including the progress of plans for the Car Show.

**Executive Session: If necessary.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mr. Dennis Burke, uncle of Mr. Anthony Fill, issued a very respectful and heartfelt plea on Tony's behalf.

He added it was he who retained an attorney to safeguard Tony through the necessary proceedings.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn to Closed Session for discussion of the hiring, firing or discipline of a specific employee.

MOTION: Trustee Kuban so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned to Closed Session at 7:42 pm

The meeting reconvened at 8:42 pm.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:42

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kathleen M. Svoboda  
Village Clerk