

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER
Monday, September 24, 2018

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Wasowicz led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Clerk Sue Small called the roll. All are present including President Wasowicz, Trustees: Rich Sparr, Rick Symonds, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban, Hank Oszakiewski and Karen Warner. Attorney Mike Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is present. All department heads are present; Police Chief Kraig McDermott and Deputy Chief Mike Kurschner are present. Deputy Clerk Kathleen Svoboda is absent with notice

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Resident of Justice and member of the Economic Planning Board, David Shipyor asked for a discussion regarding an agenda item on the agenda for this evening regarding two resolutions related to the property on 88th ave. He asked why the project did not come before the Economic Planning Board prior to being presented at the Committee meeting of September 19, 2018.

Trustee Kuban asked the chair for permission to respond and it was granted. Trustee Kuban stated that the Village's Strategic Plan was followed where the presentation was to be made to the Board, the Economic Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals at the same time and there was an e-mail blast sent to those individuals prior to the committee meeting for interested parties to attend. There was further discussion related to the planning board, the strategic plan and the possibility of changing the plan for the future.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the September 10, 2018 board meeting minutes as submitted, or if necessary, as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

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

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Mayor Wasowicz gave an update to the board regarding the tri-angle property. He stated the contractors are in the process of registering with the village and ground should break in the next week or two

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Small offered a reminder: There will be a tax appeal seminar Tuesday evening starting @ 6:30 pm. This seminar will be led Cook County Board of Review Commissioner, Dan Patlak and hosted at the Village Hall, 7800 S. Archer, Justice

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Rick Symonds

Trustee Symonds started his report by inviting Chief McDermott to the front to offer a presentation and video for two of our officers that went above and beyond their duties to help a resident in distress. The video was a replay of the officers body camera that showed an incident from the fire that had occurred at the Sunset Lakes apartment complex on 8-04-2018. Corporal DeBella and Officer Wyatt were on scene going door to door in an effort to evacuate the building. A physically impaired resident needed help getting out of the burning building. Our officers stayed with the resident and helped the fire department get the resident to safety. Chief McDermott and Mayor Wasowicz offered praise and thanks for their service.

- MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To approve the setting of the designated Halloween hours for the Village of Justice at 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm on Wednesday, October 31, 2018
- SECOND: Trustee Warner
- VOTE: Trustees Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski, Warner, Sparr and Symonds, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Kuban

- MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve RESOLUTION 2018-07: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 14 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT 83rd AND CORK AVENUE, WITHIN THE LNC TIF NO. 2 TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, VILLAGE OF JUSTICE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

DISCUSSION: Trustee Oszakiewski call for discussion and reads the following statement:

Henry Oszakiewski

Village of Justice Trustee

September 24, 2018

Circumventing the established economic development process is NOT recommended. You have a copy at your desk. On page _6 of the document written and published in 2016, the economic development board has an opportunity to review a developer's plans at a meeting scheduled by them, so that they and ANY Justice resident or business owner who attends, especially those property owners within 250 feet of the development site, could offer village trustees their feedback and recommendations on the development site. We should not be voting on any motion today before our residents have had a chance themselves to listen to the proposal. Our residents have a voice in decisions through us and that should not be circumvented for any reason, including to expedite the review process for the developer. In particular and in this case, we need to hear from the Asbury Woods, Deer Path, Lost 17, Cork Highlands, and the Justice Industrial Park property owners.

We also need to vet the developer by asking for key references, researching those references and discussing our findings in a public forum.

Finally, we also need to speak with our neighbors in Bridgeview, specifically Mayor Steve Landek and their Board of Trustees, to see if another soccer sports dome in Justice would really benefit the region, knowing they already have a sports dome in Bridgeview operating there for many years.

This motion needs to be withdrawn and the steps to hear our residents, business owner's and Mayor Landek's feedback scheduled. Let's not only talk about putting residents first, just do it Where selfish ambition exists, there is disorder and every foul practice

Mayor Wasowicz responded to the board that the presentation from the committee meeting was not a full presentation; just an overview of what they wanted to do. He also explained to Henry that his comment about Bridgeview was "preposterous." Henry must have wasted his time on the Economic Planning Committee. He went on to say the resolutions are meaningless at this time.

Rick Symonds added the resolution to place the ad had nothing to do with the project being voted on in the next item

VOTE: Trustees Rusch, Kuban, Sparr and Symonds, aye. Trustees Oszakiewski and Warner, no Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve RESOLUTION 2018-08 : A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE RELATIVE TO THE REDEVELOPMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 14 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT 83rd AND CORK AVENUE, WITHIN THE LNC TIF NO. 2 TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, VILLAGE OF JUSTICE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

SECOND: None

After the motion, yet before a second, trustee Kuban read from the actual proposed resolution:

"To explain, the Resolution states, "Notwithstanding anything in this resolution expressed or implied to contrary, neither the Developer nor any other party is entitled to rely on this resolution as a commitment on behalf of the Village to establish the to enter into a redevelopment agreement, to convey the subject property, or for the approval of the Project, nor shall the same be deemed to obligate or require the Village to expend or loan monies, or to issue notes, bonds, or any other form of security, and the Village hereby reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to refuse to take any of the aforementioned action without cause and without notice, and in such event the Village shall not be subject to suit or liability for damages of any nature, whether or not Developer or such other party has incurred such costs, expenses, liability or damages in reliance on this resolution or the statements made herein."

President Wasowicz called for a second for the motion on the floor

Motion FAILS for lack of a second

Mayor Wasowicz and Trustee added commentary about the lack of a second.

Trustee Kuban added, "to let you know what happened here is this was to say to the developer yes Justice is interested in your project which was not seconded."

Trustee Rusch added that village interest in a "dome" may detract other developers from coming forward with a different plan.

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve a home occupation license for C&C Plumbing & Sewer operating a home office for a Plumbing & Sewer Business located at 7541 Banks Street, Justice.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

- VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Warner, Sparr and Symonds, Rusch and Kuban aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.
- MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve a home occupation license for Evolution Heat & Cooling Inc. operating a home office for a HVAC business located at 8620 W. 81st Street, Justice
- SECOND: Trustee Warner
- VOTE: Trustees Warner, Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban and Oszakiewski aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.
- MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve a home occupation license for I & R Towing, Inc. operating a home office for a towing business located at 8925 W. 83rd Place, Justice
- SECOND: Trustee Sparr
- VOTE: Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski and Warner, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.
- MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves To approve a Business License: To Avalon Beauty Supply LLC operating as a Beauty Supply Retail Business located at 8517 S. 88th Avenue, Justice. This license is contingent on the business passing all inspections
- SECOND: Trustee Symonds
- VOTE: Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski and Warner, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Kuban reported and thanked all of the volunteers for their help with the food pantry. The event fed a total of 178 households and 599 people. This was one of the highest turnouts of people yet.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Sparr

- MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To approve the hiring Bradley Shearder as a full time PW maintenance employee. This offer is contingent on Bradley passing a background check and drug screen
- SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
- VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Oszakiewski, Warner, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.
- MOTION: Trustee Sparr moves: To Accept the Quote from: Perform Traffic Control System, LTD. to complete annual striping at a cost of \$7,799.08.
- SECOND: Trustee Symonds
- VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Warner, Sparr, Symonds, Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Rusch

- MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To Compensate DEPUTY BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT INSPECTOR JAMES LURQUIN at a rate \$20.00 per hour to prepare for and testify in court for demolition properties per request of village attorney.

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

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Warner

MOTION: Trustee Warner Moves To approve posted payables 1-34 of \$52,593.32, Recurring Expenses of \$32,330.19, MFT expenses of \$18,359.31, TIF#4 expenses of \$645.00 and TIF#5 expenses of \$2,365.00 for a total of \$106,292.82

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

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

MOTION: Trustee Warner Moves: To approve the cost of placing the notification in the DesPlaines Valley News to publish the annual Treasurer's Report. This is mandated by the State of Illinois and the cost is \$1061.50

SECOND: Trustee Rusch

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

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATION & RECREATION: Trustee Oszakiewski

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve expenses to prepare and host the Village of Justice Annual Veteran's Day luncheon. This luncheon is scheduled for Sunday, November 4 at 1:00pm at the Lipinski Center. Funds are budgeted for this event and are approved not to exceed \$4,000.00.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

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

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the hiring of Windy City Window cleaning to clean the insides and outside of all windows at Village Hall (not counting interior Police station) once per quarter at a cost of \$225.00; weather permitting

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

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

MOTION: Trustee OSZAKIEWSKI Moves: To approve the closing of the Finance Office on Saturday, October 20, 2018 for Employee Training of the Caselle System. Training is scheduled for 9:00 am – noon on October 20, 2018.

SECOND: Trustee Warner

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

Trustee Oszakiewski also discussed bringing additional information for the next committee meeting related to the seminar several elected officials and department heads attended hosted by the SWCM for Planning Commissioner Training Workshop

ATTORNEYS' REPORT:

Attorney Mike Cainkar had no formal report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk Small read a letter sent from Chris Getty and Lyons Township. The letter thanked the village for hosting the summer intern at the village and expressed interest in continuing the program next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Rusch mentioned that as the chair of the finance for many years, he is happy to see the bank balances are at a level where the village has about 6 months of reserves.

Trustee Symonds brought up a discussion related to the Create Project and the Railroad fly over project. He had several comments related to the public hearing that was hosted in Summit. Matt explained that the entire project plan is on display at the Justice Public Library and comments are being taken for the next couple of weeks. Trustee Symonds is concerned about the bike path project that is also going on in that area and wants to ensure everyone is aware of both projects. The Mayor, Matt and Trustee Kuban explained that they spoke with the individuals from the Create Project at the public hearing and they are aware of and have talked with CMAP about the bike trail, and the need for drainage and access. They suggested possibly a new culvert.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Wednesday, October 3, 2018

ECONOMIC DEV. & BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Kuban
Any matters before the committee

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Sparr
Any matters before the committee

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Rusch
Any matters before the committee including
Information on the demolition hearings scheduled

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Warner
Any matters before the committee including Posted payables

ADMIN, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Oszakiewski
Any matters before the committee including Caselle training on October 20 and a first discussion for Winter Wonderland

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Carlos Juarez, owner of CLJ Automotive at 9012 W. 79th Street, Justice, prepared a folder for each of the elected officials and handed one out to each. The folder contained a

letter of complaint about the mayor and a series of questions and pictures concerning an illegal automotive repair business at a Justice residential home at 7531 Cronin Ave, Justice. Carlos also provided parts of a string of e-mails that provided information about the complaint as well as personal communication based on what he called "an illegal business across the street from the mayor's home."

There was a discussion between the mayor, the business owner, our building commissioner and deputy code enforcement inspector. Carlos reviewed the details of his complaint and the timeline of activities that he has recorded. He also provided pictures of cars. **Carlos** complained of continuous car repair operations at the resident's home on Cronin Ave. These complaints were dated from June 2018 to current. A home automotive repair facility violates code. The mayor also stated he has known these neighbors at 7531 Cronin Ave for many years, having them both living in Chicago on 59th Street as neighbors. The mayor continued that in position as mayor, he should be able to do favors for friends, as why would helping a friend be a problem? Carlos' questions were not answered by the mayor. His response was that he saw nothing wrong of it. The mayor called the automotive work done at the 7531 Cronin Ave residence as a "hobby". Hank asked the mayor what he planned on doing to resolve the ordinance infraction; with no answer given at the meeting.

MOTION: **ADJOURNMENT: President Wasowicz called for a Motion to Adjourn. Trustee Warner asked for an Executive Session:** To consider the appointment, employment compensation, discipline performance or dismissal of specific employees or classes of employees

MOTION: The chair entertains a motion to adjourn to Executive Session
Trustee Warner so Moves

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

VOTE: All ayes.
Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 pm

The meeting reconvened at 9:25 pm

MOTION: The chair entertained a motion to adjourn
Trustee Warner so Moves

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

VOTE: All ayes.
Meeting adjourned at 9:28pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Suzanne M. Small, Village Clerk
