

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 24, 2005

President VanAllen called the Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Village Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are: President Mel VanAllen, Trustees: Vicki Kelly, Don Slapelis, Ed Jurgel, Mike Maruszak, Rich Berkowicz and Rich Sparr. Attorney Paula Wallin is in attendance.

PLEDGE: The Village Board led The Pledge of Allegiance.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS OR PETITIONS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:
There were none.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: TO WAIVE READING OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2005 AND TO APPROVE AS SUBMITTED.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOTE: Trustees Kelly, Jurgel, Slapelis, Maruszak, Berkowicz and Sparr, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Maruszak

MOTION: Trustee Maruszak Moves: To approve payables, posted January 19, 2005, numbers 1-30, in the amount of \$25,518.20.

SECOND: Trustee Berkowicz

VOTE: Trustees Slapelis, Jurgel, Maruszak, Berkowicz, Kelly, and Sparr, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.

Trustee Maruszak announced that Bank One would replace LaSalle Bank as the payment agency for property tax bills to the Cook County Treasurer. There will be four ways to pay your property taxes, through your mortgage escrow, on line, through the mail and at Bank One locations. The first-installment bills are out and on time so are due on March 1st, 2005.

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Trustee Slapelis

Trustee Slapelis had no report.

PUBLIC SAFETY - Trustee Jurgel

MOTION: Trustee Jurgel Moves: To authorize the Police & Fire Commission to hire from the current eligibility list, up to two candidates for Patrol Officer to maintain the

accepted compliment of officers.

SECOND: Trustee Berkowicz

VOTE: Trustees Jurgel, Maruszak, Berkowicz, Kelly, Sparr and Slapelis, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Jurgel Moves: To ratify a Waiver of the Competitive Bidding Process for the purchase of the ETSB, 911 system upgrades, due to the competitive pricing process having been performed by Mercury Systems, the installation contractor for the upgrade, on behalf of the Village of Justice.

SECOND: Trustee Maruszak

VOTE: Trustees Maruszak, Berkowicz, Kelly, Sparr, Slapelis and Jurgel, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND RECREATION – Trustee Kelly
Trustee Kelly had no report.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING – Trustee Berkowicz

MOTION: Trustee Berkowicz Moves: To approve the Home Occupation License of Juniper’s Attic, doing business at 7265 Skyline Drive in Justice, being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOTE: Trustees Berkowicz, Kelly, Sparr, Slapelis, Jurgel and Maruszak, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Sparr

Trustee Sparr announced that the Zoning & Planning Commission would review the next phase of the Comprehensive Plan on Tuesday, January 25, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. All those interested are invited to attend.

Revisions to village code regarding fire sprinklers are under review by the Fire Inspector, the Building Department and the Village Board and should be ready for passage at the next regular board meeting.

Trustee Sparr added that he had received a note of gratitude from a resident for help provided by he and our attorney for assistance negotiating with a landlord.

VILLAGE ENGINEER’S REPORT:

President VanAllen reported that the Bids are in for the Arbors Pond Site Lighting Project. There were five bids that ranged from a high of \$182,000.00 to a low bid of \$143,000.00. This price includes the option of the scoreboard for approximately \$20,000.00 that we may not use at this time, but we will maintain the ability to accept this price as part of the acceptance of the bid.

The Chair would entertain a Motion: To approve Resolution 2005-01, A Resolution Awarding the Bid for the Arbors Detention Pond Site-Lighting Project to Utility Dynamics for the Total Bid Price of \$143,363.00, retaining the right to exclude the scoreboard at the Village’s discretion.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Berkowicz
VOTE: Trustees Kelly, Slapelis, Jurgel, Berkowicz and Sparr, aye. Trustee Maruszak abstained. Motion passed.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY:

Attorney Paula Wallin reported that negotiations are concluded on the Sergeants Contract and the details and the final contract should be forthcoming this week. Attorney Wallin introduced an Ordinance authorizing the sale of the property currently leased to Child Advocacy, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE AND WRB ENTERPRISES II, WILLIAM R. BEAHAN FOR THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 7919 S. 88TH AVENUE, JUSTICE, IL. The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve Ordinance 2005-02, as described by the Attorney.

MOTION: Trustee Maruszak so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Jurgel

VOTE: Trustees Kelly, Slapelis, Jurgel, Maruszak, Berkowicz and Sparr, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Attorney Wallin explained another proposed ordinance that would reduce the number of Class F Liquor Licenses by one, in order to retire the license that was in use by the driving range before the Justice Park District took over the operation.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve Ordinance 2005-03, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3-88, REGARDING THE NUMBER OF ALCHOLIC LIQUOR LICENSES, IN THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE.

MOTION: Trustee Jurgel so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Maruszak

VOTE: Trustees Slapelis, Jurgel, Maruszak, Berkowicz, Sparr and Kelly, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

President VanAllen introduced a Plat of Dedication that would dedicate a strip of land along 88th Avenue to facilitate the widening of that roadway. This giving of property along the 88th Ave. frontage of the Asbury Woods Development marks a long awaited improvement that results in major benefits to the Village. This allows the straightening of 83rd St. for a potential stoplight, creates a fifth (turn) lane for safety concerns, restricts the openings onto 88th Ave. to designated intersections and almost insures the opening of the Cork Ave. Toll way ramp to North or Southbound traffic. The project also benefits our plan for sidewalks by County participation in the project. The County will pay half of our matching funds for an STP Grant and construction to State, rather than Federal guidelines will save even more money. Our share of the total sidewalk project should be reduced to about 15% of the total cost.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve Resolution 2005-02, A Resolution Approving A Dedication Along 88th Avenue, as described.

MOTION: Trustee Maruszak so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Jurgel

VOTE: Trustees Jurgel, Maruszak, Berkowicz, Sparr, Kelly and Slapelis, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

The Regional Transportation Authority has approved a grant for a feasibility study for a Justice Metra Platform at 71st and Blackstone. The grant of up to \$125,000.00 pays for the study and automatically reapplies for a grant for the construction of the facility, should the original study approve feasibility. We should see activity at that site in the next few months.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

The following meetings to begin at 7:00 p.m. and follow consecutively with topics of discussion listed in each committee:
Wednesday, February 9, 2005

OPEN SESSION

FINANCE AND INSURANCE: Posted payables and discussion regarding implementation of a 457 Plan.

BUILDING PLATS & ZONING: Review of additional revisions to the building code regarding fire-sprinklers.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Review of operating software specific to Public Works Depts.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING: Licenses pending before the committee, specifically, J Z International Trading, Inc., a home occupation at 8046 W. 82nd St. in Justice.

CLOSED SESSION

Discussion regarding salaries of one or more classes of employees.

CORRESPONDENCE:

President VanAllen is in receipt of correspondence from the Illinois Municipal League offering the Legislative Bulletin via e-mail rather than by hard copy. Both he and Clerk Svoboda receive the Bulletin, monthly. We will add the Trustees e-mail info so that they may benefit as well.

Clerk Svoboda has correspondence from the Salvation Army Kettle Program asking for permission to perform their annual collections in the Village of Justice. Also, Clerk Svoboda received a thank you from Chief Ron Szarzynski for our get-well greetings and from a resident thanking us for our help at Christmastime.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chair will entertain a Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so MOVES:

SECOND: Trustee Maruszak

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:52 pm.