

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE  
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FIRST REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
August 8, 2005

President VanAllen called the Meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

PLEDGE: President VanAllen led the Village Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Village Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are: President Mel VanAllen, Trustees: Vicki Kelly, Ed Jurgel, Mike Maruszak, Rich Berkowicz and Rich Sparr. Trustee Jim Gabrys is absent this evening. Attorney Karl Ottosen is in attendance.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS OR PETITIONS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:

Mr. Dan McGee asked if the Village has looked into acquiring property North of 79<sup>th</sup> St. and West of Roberts Rd. from Resurrection Cemetery for commercial development?

President VanAllen replied that we have been in contact with Resurrection Cemetery, on and off, for the past few years regarding development at that site. Representatives of Resurrection Cemetery had indicated that they would consider commercial development of about 10 acres.

At least 17 acres was necessary to pursue an interested developer.

At this time, no active negotiations are in progress.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: TO WAIVE READING OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2005 AND TO APPROVE AS SUBMITTED.

SECOND: Trustee Maruszak

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

MOTION: Trustee Maruszak Moves: TO WAIVE READING OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2005 AND TO APPROVE AS CORRECTED. (A Motion under the Ordinances, Licenses & Public Printing Committee Report had been transcribed, twice.)

SECOND: Trustee Berkowicz

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Maruszak

MOTION: Trustee Maruszak Moves: To approve payables, posted August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2005, numbers 1-49, in the amount of \$48,741.25.

SECOND: Trustee Berkowicz

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

Trustee Maruszak requested that all department heads make every effort to cut back on hours for part-time employees, wherever possible.

PUBLIC UTILITIES –Trustee Gabrys

Trustee Gabrys is absent and did not provide a report.

PUBLIC SAFETY - Trustee Jurgel

Trustee Jurgel read a report from Chief of Police, Carmine Gioiosa.

Chief Gioiosa stated that the theft of a number of items from the Fire Department had been discovered. A stair-stretcher valued at around \$2,700.00 was removed from the department but has since been returned, anonymously. A compressor is still missing. An inventory of equipment is being performed to determine if any additional equipment is missing. There was considerable damage to doors and locks and a thorough investigation is being conducted.

MOTION: Trustee Jurgel Moves: To approve Ordinance 2005-16, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4-30.1 FEE SCHEDULE IN THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE.

SECOND: Trustee Maruszak

President VanAllen explained that from time-to-time ambulance rates are increased to conform with other local area providers in order to maximize insurance and Medicare payments.

VOTE: Trustees Berkowicz, Kelly, Jurgel and Maruszak, aye. Trustee Sparr abstained from voting. Five ayes. One abstention. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND RECREATION – Trustee Kelly

Trustee Kelly reported that on Thursday, July 28, 2005 she and Clerk Kathy Svoboda met with Sandy Alexander of Aging Well, an Illinois suburban organization on aging. Bertha Rodriguez of the community service organization, the Pillars, located in Hickory Hills, was also in attendance.

Projects for the benefit of Justice seniors were discussed. A follow up meeting was tentatively scheduled for late October.

The recent Block Party at Willow Hill Apartments was well attended and everyone had a good time. The last Block Party of the season will be at Wilkins School on August 20<sup>th</sup>.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING – Trustee Berkowicz

MOTION: Trustee Berkowicz Moves: To approve the Home Occupation License of B/W Remodeling at 7301 S. Cork Ave. having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

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

MOTION: Trustee Berkowicz Moves: To approve the temporary Business License of Milk & Honey #3, doing business at 8801 W. 84<sup>th</sup> Place for the sale of gas and a mini mart, only, no automotive repairs, having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

SECOND: Trustee Jurgel

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

Trustee Berkowicz commented that he had been questioned about why the Village was looking to revise legislation and increase enforcement of swimming pool regulations.

He stated that per the Daily Southtown, five children have died in swimming pool accidents in Illinois this season alone.

Fencing around pools and parental supervision are of the utmost importance.

Thank you to the Chamber of Commerce for the recent Rib Fest. The ribs were great and everyone had a good time.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Sparr

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To approve Ordinance 2005-17, AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A PETITION TO REZONE AND PERMIT THE LOCATION OF A TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER WITHOUT VARIANCES CERTAIN PROPERTY IN JUSTICE, ILLINOIS. [9050 W. 81<sup>st</sup> Street (Forest Hill Med/Surg)].

SECOND: Trustee Berkowicz

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

Trustee Sparr reported that there are 5 new homes, 4 new townhouse projects and 3 room additions under construction in Justice, at this time. Also, the owner of a commercial building, (the old Clark Gas Station), is looking to rebuild. The sale of property in town is booming.

Trustee Sparr announced the upcoming, Ninth Annual Auto Show at the Justice Village Hall from 10:00 am. till 4:00 pm. on Saturday August 27<sup>th</sup>.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY:**

Attorney Karl Ottosen stated that he has prepared a response to the Labor Board answering a petition from the Service Employees International Union to represent a new bargaining unit comprised of the Justice Firefighters.

We did not receive the communication until after August 1<sup>st</sup>, and, we no longer employ Village of Justice Firefighters and have no other employees in that category. Attorney Ottosen will keep us informed.

We received notification regarding the PrimeCo suit indicating that the wireless customers portion of that suit may result in additional liability for the Village.

We are providing additional paperwork to determine liability for refunds to this class of customer. We may be liable for another pay out on the suit.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A TIF Joint Review Board Meeting is being planned for the last week in August and must be scheduled and published at least 10days but not more than 30 days in advance. Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> is the date being considered for the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

President VanAllen announced that CDBG Funds for Lighting Projects around Wilkins and Player Schools have been approved. We should receive notice of the details of the award in four or five months.

**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 August 17, 2005*

**FINANCE AND INSURANCE:** Posted payables.

**ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING:** Licenses pending before the Committee and review of potential legislation for swimming pools and tattoo parlors.

**BUILDING PLATS & ZONING:** Review of any recommendations by the Zoning and Planning Commission or business of the Building Department.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Clerk Kathy Svoboda received a nice thank you from Mrs. Aurella Good and Mrs. Jean Symonds thanking Deputy Clerk Judy Fields and herself for assistance with the purchase, placement and dedication of "Mona's Fountain", the new fountain honoring the Women of Justice dedicated to the memory of Mona Duke.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.  
MOTION: Trustee Sparr so MOVES:  
SECOND: Trustee Jurgel  
VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Kathleen M. Svoboda*  
Village Clerk/Collector