

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE  
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FIRST REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
November 14, 2005

President VanAllen called the Meeting to order at 7:30 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, Jim Gabrys, Ed Jurgel, Mike Maruszak, Rich Berkowicz and Rich Sparr. Attorney Paula Wallin is in attendance.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS OR PETITIONS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:

Mr. John Small of 7225 S. 86<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Mr. Michael Murray of 7826 Blazer submitted questions regarding correspondence received by President VanAllen on behalf of the Village of Justice from the Cook County State's Attorney, Richard A. Devine.

The questions submitted were not regarding items on this evening's agenda but instead, were regarding a complaint of alleged violations of the Open Meetings Act said to have occurred on July 6<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

President VanAllen chose to respond by explaining that we were advised that we failed to enter a closed session committee meeting by roll call vote and the subject of that meeting, having been announced as "Discussion regarding the appointment, employment, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees," was about the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement with R.P.F.P.D. and although it would impact employees by subsequent dismissal, was not specifically about that dismissal, and so, was inappropriately called.

President VanAllen explained that we had properly noticed the closed session meeting and we were not in the habit of a roll call to enter into a closed session committee meeting but would do so in future.

The resulting Board Meeting of July 11, 2005 had proper notice of the proposed action on the agreement with RPFPD and was held outdoors to accommodate the unexpected crowd and the action taken at that meeting was found to be proper, according to the State's Attorney.

On the matter of Trustee Jurgel's residency, we have been advised by counsel that Trustee Jurgel is a legal and permanent resident of Justice.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Trustee Berkowicz Moves: TO WAIVE READING OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 24, 2005 AND TO APPROVE AS SUBMITTED.

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

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

##### FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Maruszak

MOTION: Trustee Maruszak Moves: To approve payables, posted November 9, 2005, numbers 1- 41, in the amount of \$64,043.19.  
SECOND: Trustee Berkowicz  
VOTE: Trustees Gabrys, Jurgel, Maruszak, Berkowicz, Sparr and Kelly, aye. All ayes.  
Motion passed.

##### PUBLIC UTILITIES –Trustee Gabrys

Public Works is in the process of getting the salt spreaders installed on our vehicles. We currently have enough salt for two complete passes through town and we will be ordering more, as needed. The salt spreader that is of concern regarding operating condition is being tested for readiness should it need to be replaced.

The asphalt work at the Lipinski Center is completed and sod and landscaping are in process.

Chipping was completed last week for the final clean up until the spring.

##### PUBLIC SAFETY - Trustee Jurgel

Trustee Jurgel quoted correspondence from Chief Gioiosa informing us that three Mobile Vision in-car cameras obtained through LLEBG funding have been installed and are operating, successfully. The sound and images from the cameras will provide useful evidence for court cases and will provide training materials for officers.

Lts. Gedville and Kurschner have recently completed the 40 hr. Basic Crisis Negotiation Course presented through the joint efforts of the Illinois State Police and Northeast Multi Regional-Training.

Sgts. Bonarek and Urbanski completed the latest training modules on domestic violence issues held in Springfield. The Sergeants took part in this training as a part of their duties as liaisons for the Child Advocacy Center.

Trustee Jurgel commented that Clerk Svoboda, Trustee Sparr, Trustee Maruszak and Trustee Kelly attended the award presentation for the Governor's Hometown Award to the Bridgeview/Justice ESDA in Springfield this past week. Trustee Jurgel added his heartfelt congratulations for the outstanding effort by ESDA to receive this prestigious award.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND RECREATION – Trustee Kelly

Trustee Kelly reported that almost seventy people attended the Child Advocacy Center Groundbreaking held on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, many of who were law enforcement personnel from the 38 communities served by the Center.

Several board members attending the SWS Municipal Clerks Dinner hosted by Clerk Kathy Svoboda here in Justice at the Canterbury Inn on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Danielle Butts, Director of the Child Advocacy Center, presented an overview of that organization and Jim Lurquin outlined the Child Advocacy Project, encouraging those communities that are served by CAC to assist with this endeavor.

Clerk Svoboda, Trustee Sparr, Trustee Maruszak and Trustee Kelly attended the Governor’s Hometown Award presentation to the Bridgeview/Justice ESDA in Springfield on November 11<sup>th</sup>. Trustee Kelly expressed how very proud we all are of ESDA for earning this prestigious award.

On Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> the Village of Justice will host a Team Leader’s meeting for the Justice Chapter of the Aging Well organization. A few dedicated seniors signed up to join together to share ideas for projects to benefit our seniors.

Trustee Kelly quoted a letter from the Boy Scout’s of America, Des Plaines Valley Council, thanking her and the Village for participation in the recent 2005 Distinguished Citizen Awards.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING – Trustee Berkowicz

MOTION: Trustee Berkowicz Moves: To approve **Ordinance 2005-23**, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3 – 88 REGARDING THE NUMBER OF ALCHOLIC LIQUOR LICENSES IN THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr  
Trustee Berkowicz explained that this action would reduce the number of Class A Liquor Licenses from 8 to 7.

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

The Tattoo Ordinance is still being fine tuned for passage at a later date.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Sparr

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To approve **Ordinance 2005-24**, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8 ARTICLE II SECTION 8-31 OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE WITH REGARD TO BUILDING CODES.

SECOND: Trustee Berkowicz  
Trustee Sparr explained that this legislation was updating and upgrading our Building Code standard to 2003 International BOCA, and any future amendments.

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

VILLAGE ATTORNEY:  
Attorney Wallin had no report.

OLD BUSINESS:  
There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:  
President VanAllen met last Wed. with PACE and the RTA. The RTA Grant that we have received has moved into the consulting phase. The grant will provide around \$100,000.00 for a feasibility study and will require a \$10,000.00 - \$20,000.00 match. Jim Lurquin will be working on the paperwork and is confident that we can keep the match at around \$10,000.00 - \$12,000.00. PACE is reviewing a request by President VanAllen for a direct-line route from LaGrange Rd. at O'Hare Airport to Orland Park that would come through Justice. A Park-N-Ride was also discussed from 83<sup>rd</sup> St. east of Cork and a potential route from Willow Hill to the Orange Line. President VanAllen will keep us informed of the status of these proposals.

**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.

***Tuesday, November 22, 2005***

*Open Session*

**ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING:** Any new licenses, in particular a proposed pool emporium, and ordinances for review by the Committee.

**FINANCE & INSURANCE:** Posted payables and other matters before the Committee.

**BUILDING PLATS & ZONING:** Proposed changes to the Village of Justice code regarding fees charged for various inspections and services.

*Closed Session*

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Appointment, employment, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk Svoboda read a thank you note from Girl Scout Troop #361, thanking the Village for sponsorship of the troop.

A thank you from Child Advocacy was quoted, as well.

Trustee Berkowicz reminded all of the Christmas Decorating Contest being conducted by the Justice Chamber of Commerce. Forms can be obtained at the Clerk's Office. There will be five winners from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> place. Those that won last year are not eligible to enter this year to allow other the opportunity to be chosen.

Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> is the date for the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party. The party will be held at Canterbury Inn at 6:00 pm. and tickets are \$22.00 per person.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Berkowicz so MOVES:

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 pm.

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

