

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF NOVEMBER
Minutes of Monday, November 22, 2010

Mayor Kris Wasowicz called the Meeting to order at 7:34 pm.

PLEDGE:

Mayor Wasowicz led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Mayor Kris Wasowicz, Trustees: John Koslowski, Mary McGee, Kinga Bartoszek and Phil DePaola are present. Attorney Michael Castellino of the Del Galdo Law Group is also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 8, 2010 as submitted.

MOTION: Trustee DePaola Moves:

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

VOTE: Trustees Koslowski, McGee, Bartoszek and DePaola, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Mayor Kris Wasowicz

Mayor Wasowicz reminded the Board of Trustees that this evening is the final opportunity to take action on the appointment to the Board of Mr. Edward Rusch Jr., within the 30 day time frame.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the appointment of Edward Rusch to the Board of Trustees of the Village of Justice.

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called for a motion.

No motion was forthcoming.

In the alternative, Mayor Wasowicz then called for a motion to appoint Richard Sparr to the vacant seat on the Board of Trustees.

Attorney Castellino explained that should the Board of Trustees fail to approve the appointment of Mr. Sparr within 30 days of this date, then Mayor Wasowicz will, at his option, choose between the two candidates that he offered to the Board of Trustees for approval, Mr. Rusch and then Mr. Sparr.

MOTION: Trustee DePaola Moves: To table action on the appointment of Mr. Richard Sparr to fill the vacancy on the Board of Trustees.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

VOTE: Trustees McGee, Bartoszek, DePaola and Koslowski, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Kathy Svoboda

Village Clerk Kathy Svoboda had no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Trustee DePaola read a report from Chief Robert Gedville.

The police department is happy to announce that the Communications Center is now equipped with a Mobile Computer Aided Dispatch System (CAD). Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) is a method of dispatching emergency services assisted by computer. It is used to send messages to the emergency unit via a mobile data terminal (MDT) and used to store and retrieve data (i.e. radio logs, entities, incidents, etc.). The central idea is that persons in a dispatch center are able to easily view and understand the status of all units being dispatched. CAD provides displays and tools so that the dispatcher has an opportunity to handle calls-for-service as efficiently as possible.

The purchase of this \$50,000 CAD system was entirely made possible by use of a Federal Grant.

FINANCE & INSURANCE – Trustee Kinga Bartoszek

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve payables posted for the period of 11/04/2010 – 11/17/2010, numbers 1-37 in the amount of \$27,518.70, plus recurring expenses of \$38,176.33, TIF #1 expenses of \$ 263.79 and MFT expenses of \$1,687.38 for a total of \$68,655.20.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

VOTE: Trustees Bartoszek, DePaola, Koslowski and McGee, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Bartoszek commented that the first of the 2011 Budget Workshops was held on Saturday November 13th. Presentations by each department head were entertained. All department heads were sent back to the drawing board to implement further reductions in their respective budget numbers. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, December 4th.

Currently we are challenged with a proposed deficit of around \$700,000.00, so deep cuts are necessary. Trustee Bartoszek thanked all who attended.

Our liability and workers compensation insurance carrier, IMLRMA, has proposed a \$25,000.00 increase over last year's rates. Therefore, we are looking for alternative quotes.

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To table action on the approval the *Employee Handbook for the Village of Justice* to allow for implementation of revisions suggested by the attorneys for the village.

SECOND: Trustee Koslowski

VOTE: Trustees Bartoszek, DePaola, Koslowski and McGee, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING & RECREATION – Trustee Kinga Bartoszek

There was no report.

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Trustee Mary McGee

Trustee McGee commented that the Roberts Road Street Construction Project is coming along. The final lift on the asphalt will be performed in the spring.

Trustee McGee then asked who it was that authorized the grindings to be staged on Archer and 86th Ave. She added that she had been in communication with Mr. Lurquin and expected to be kept in the loop before any staging of the contaminated spoils was performed.

Mayor Wasowicz replied that it was he who authorized the dumping of the spoils because it was necessary to the continuation of the project. He assured Trustee McGee that the staging was very temporary and that the spoils would be removed to an appropriate dump as soon as the testing is completed and arrangements are made, hopefully, by the end of next week. There is no inherent danger from the contamination since it is organic in nature. We can, however, erect a temporary barricade to deter children playing on the pile at 86th and Archer, quite close to the school.

Mr. Lurquin added that the spoils were dumped on a stone base, so no further contamination of the dumpsite should occur.

Trustee John Koslowski expressed his displeasure at the lack of communication with the trustees regarding the decision to dump the spoils. He and former Trustee Pastorino had explored many more appropriate sites for the staging and felt that there should have been a consensus and the results should have been much more carefully thought out.

Mayor Wasowicz said if there is blame, he accepts it. Sometimes decisions must be made quickly.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING –Trustee John Koslowski

Trustee Koslowski stated that there were still considerations to explore regarding the ordinance amending smoking regulations.

MOTION: Trustee Koslowski Moves: To table action on the proposed, smoking regulation legislation.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

VOTE: Trustees DePaola, Koslowski, McGee and Bartoszek, aye. All ayes. Motion Passed.

MOTION: Trustee Koslowski Moves: To approve Ordinance 2010- 24, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article III, Section 2-86 of the Justice Municipal Code.

This action will consolidate the Finance & Insurance and the Administration Building & Recreation areas of oversight into one and will create an Economic Development area of oversight, as well.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

VOTE: Trustees Koslowski, McGee, Bartoszek and DePaola, aye. All ayes. Motion Passed.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Phil DePaola

There was no report.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY:

Attorney Castellino had no report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk Svoboda read a letter from a local veteran complimenting and thanking those responsible for the Veterans Day Celebration hosted by Mayor Landek and Mayor Wasowicz at Toyota Park recently. He stated that it was an outstanding event and he and his wife had a wonderful time. How nice it was to be honored at such a celebration.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING:
Wednesday, December 8, 7:00 p.m.**

Reporting Officer Reports:

FINANCE, INSURANCE & ADMINISTRATION: Trustee Bartoszek -
Posted payables, review of the proposed tax levy and possible discussion regarding the progress of the 2011 Budget.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee McGee - Any matters before the committee.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING: Trustee Koslowski -
Any new business licenses or ordinances, code amendments for applying senior discounts, and discussion regarding possible changes in smoking regulations and the implementation of senior rates..

BUILDING, PLATS & ZONING: Trustee DePaola - Any matters before the committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Any matters before the committee.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Trustee Koslowski

Any matters before the committee.

Deleted:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: If required.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. John Small asked if Trustee DePaola had reimbursed the Village for the wages he had pledged to relinquish due to the Village's difficult financial position.

Trustee DePaola replied that due to his change in circumstances from the loss of his full-time position he is at this time unable to forfeit his earnings from the Village. He does, however, intend to pay those wages back at a later date.

Mr. Ed Rusch asked if an ad hoc committee would indeed be formed to work with the village board, under Trustee Koslowski's oversight, in order to explore Economic Development.

Mayor Wasowicz said that is his intent.

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek so MOVES: To Adjourn.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Svoboda

Village Clerk