

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FIRST REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF MARCH
Minutes of Monday, April 11, 2011

Mayor Kris Wasowicz called the Meeting to order at 7:30 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, Ed Rusch, Mary McGee and Kinga Bartoszek. Phil DePaola is absent with notice. 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 March 28, 2011 and the Special Board Meeting of March 30, 2011, each as submitted, or if necessary as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve the minutes as submitted.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

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

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Mayor Kris Wasowicz

Village President Kris Wasowicz read into the record a Proclamation naming the month of May 2011 as Motorcycle Awareness Month in the Village of Justice.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT: Village Clerk Kathy Svoboda

Clerk Kathy Svoboda explained that the official Proclamation of Results of the April 5th Consolidated Election as certified by the Cook County Clerk will be available by Tuesday, April 26, 2011. Until that time, results of the election are tentative and should not be acted upon. The Sine Die Board Meeting will be appropriately scheduled for May 9, 2011.

Mayor Wasowicz is in receipt of an invitation from the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus to the 2011 Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Gala, an event honoring the service of the Honorable Richard M. Daley, Mayor of the City of Chicago, to be held on Friday, April 29, 2011. Mayor Wasowicz has ten invitations. The cost of the event is \$100.00 per person and will not be paid for by the village. If any elected officials would like to attend, the invitations are available for their use.

Cook County Animal Control is offering low cost rabies vaccinations and micro-chip clinics throughout the county. There are a couple of convenient locations within an easy drive from our community; one such opportunity is on June 21st at the Sterling Estates Clubhouse. For more information, pick up a flyer in the vestibule.

The Countryside Senior Apartments will conduct an open house on April 17, from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm. Eligibility is based on income. Rents start at \$750.00 per month. There are one, and two-bedroom units available.

AREAS OF OVERSIGHT REPORTS:

FINANCE, INSURANCE & ADMINISTRATION – Trustee Bartoszek

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve payables posted for the period of 03/24/11 – 04/06/11, numbers 1-19, in the amount of \$20,060.97 plus recurring expenses of \$46,412.51, for a total of \$66,473.48.

SECOND: Trustee Koslowski

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

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve Resolution 2011-13, A Resolution Approving the Renewal of Certain Insurance Covering the Period of May 1, 2011 through April 30, 2012.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

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

Trustee Bartoszek tabled action on a proposal for web design and communications.

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve Ordinance 2011-05, AN ORDINANCE ABATING A TAX FOR TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2008A, AND FOR GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2008B, OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE FOR TAX LEVY YEAR 2010

SECOND: Trustee McGee

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

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve Ordinance 2011-06, AN ORDINANCE ABATING A TAX FOR GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL APPRECIATION BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2002, OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE FOR TAX LEVY YEAR 2010

SECOND: Trustee McGee

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

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve Ordinance 2011-07, Motion: To approve AN ORDINANCE ABATING A TAX FOR GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL APPRECIATION BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2003A, OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE FOR TAX LEVY YEAR 2010.

SECOND: Trustee McGee

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

Trustee Bartoszek announced that a Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Boy Scouts will be held on Sunday. Tickets can be obtained from Louie Longhi who is here in the audience this evening. The breakfast will be at the Oremus Center in Bridgeview.

The Justice Park District will hold an Easter Extravaganza on April 16th. More information can be obtained from the park district.

Justice/Willow Springs Little League is holding their annual Parade at 10:00 am on Saturday, April 16th. Dignitaries will be on hand to throw out the first ball for various divisions. Congressman Dan Lipinski and our own Mayor Kris Wasowicz were asked to participate.

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Trustee Mary McGee

MOTION: Trustee McGee Moves: To approve Resolution 2011-14, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN EXPENDITURES FOR THE ROBERTS PARK ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

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

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING –Trustee John Koslowski

MOTION: Trustee Koslowski Moves: To approve the Business License of Matteson Liquors II doing business at 8334 -36 S. Roberts Road in Justice, having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

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

PUBLIC SAFETY:

There was no report.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Bartoszek for Trustee DePaola

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve waiving any public bidding requirements applicable to the demolition of the structure located at 8035 S. 85th Court, pursuant to Section 8-9-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

SECOND: Trustee Koslowski

Attorney Castellino explained that this action would expedite the process should the village needs to take the building down in the event the owner does not act expeditiously.

Trustee Bartoszek asked about the intent regarding the temporary fence.

Mr. Lurquin stated that he is expecting the owner to pull a permit for the

demolition within the week. The temporary fencing cannot be delivered in less

than two weeks. If the permit is obtained this week the demolition could occur before the fence could be delivered.

Attorney Castellino added that he will continue to proceed with gathering the necessary data to satisfy statutory requirements of public notice and publishing, in case we need to proceed with demolition on our own.

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Trustee John Koslowski
There was no report.

CORRESPONDENCE:
There was none of note.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY:
Attorney Castellino informed the board that he submitted revisions to the agreement with the fire protection district to their attorney. He will let us know when the agreement is ready for execution.

OLD BUSINESS:
There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING:
Wednesday, April 20, 2011
7:00 p.m.

Reporting Officers' Reports:

FINANCE, INSURANCE & ADMINISTRATION: Trustee Bartoszek
Review of posted payables, the repair, installation and landscaping of the public informational sign at Oak Grove and Frontage Road and a brief presentation by Mr. William Jessie regarding the addition of a digital kiosk at the Marseilles, Middle East Conflict Wall.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee McGee - Any matters pertaining to Public Utilities.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING: Trustee Koslowski
Any new business licenses, specifically the application of the Barber Unit at 8403 S. Roberts Road and any ordinances or code amendments available for review.

BUILDING, PLATS & ZONING: Trustee Bartoszek for Trustee DePaola
Any matters pertinent to Building, Plats & Zoning including an update regarding the progress on the plans to demolish the building at 8035 S. 85th Ct.

Executive Session: If necessary, a possible executive session to discuss:

- (1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees or classes of employees of the Village,
- (2) Collective negotiating matters between the Village and its employees or their representatives,
- (3) Potential or Pending litigation
- (4) Sale or Acquisition of property

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Ray Hodson asked what the village's bond rating is.

Attorney Castellino replied that the village does not have a bond rating.

Mr. Mike Maruszak questioned the facts surrounding the Asbestos Certificate for the property at 8035 S. 85th Court. The response surrounding the issue of asbestos seems inconclusive.

Mr. Jim Lurquin explained that the inspection for asbestos was completed. Although he has not seen the actual report, the owner has indicated that the property was found to contain no asbestos. In order for the Cook County Permit to be issued the certificate must be presented to the county. We will require proof in the form of the Cook County Permit before allowing demolition to occur. Mr. Lurquin will obtain a copy of the Asbestos Certification for the file as well.

Mrs. Karen Warner asked when the Roberts Park Street Reconstruction Project would resume.

The project should resume around the 15th of April, depending on the weather.

She continued, asking if the soft shoulder that was installed in the fall and was disturbed by the snow plows would be repaired.

Mayor Wasowicz stated that they will be restored.

No parking regulations from 2:00 am until 6:00 am is not being enforced.

Chief Gedville explained that when the parking is called in to the police department by a resident, an exception is granted and the car is not ticketed. If Mrs. Warner calls, either the police will respond or she will be informed that the car was called in.

Mr. Obradovic of 8326 S. 78th Court renewed his complaint regarding an adjacent property owner who has built-up his back yard and is flooding Mr. Obradovic's property.

Mr. Ken White has been out to view the problem. Many elected officials have been contacted regarding his problem but he has found no relief. We will renew our efforts to find a solution, now that the winter is over.

Mr. Lurquin will pull the file to see where the progress stopped.

Mr. Mike Maruszak then asked who cleans the swale between the sidewalk and the funeral home property across the street. The sewers appear to be clogged and the swale is not draining.

We will look into the problem.

Mr. Gerry Mendralla asked if a proposal is being considered for website maintenance and design and communications, why weren't local people notified of an opportunity to submit a proposal. Also, if there is money in the budget for such work, why is the appointed webmaster not being utilized?

Trustee Bartoszek replied that she tabled any action on such a proposal and is not inclined to discuss the issue with Mr. Mendralla at this time.

Mr. Curt Schubert asked about the rumor that the Mayor was considering abolishing the police department.

Mayor Wasowicz stated that he assures everyone that he will not consider abolishing the police department. The only initiative relating to the police department that was mentioned by himself was the idea of a Metro department that would combine command staff and dispatch services with a couple of surrounding departments. Under such a plan we would still maintain our own officers, patrolling our own streets, just as they do now.

There is a large hole at Daniel Drive and Thomas Street since April 1st. It has been there for some days. It presents a safety concern.

Mr. Lurquin stated that AT&T is installing a v-rad that requires a foundation. They have a permit and are fully insured. The work should be completed soon.

Mr. Joe Egas asked about the likelihood of a truck stop being developed in TIF #3.

Mayor Wasowicz replied that there was indeed an idea presented for a travel center. The developer was asked for economic data and logistics of the proposal. They have not provided that data as of this time. Mayor Wasowicz continued, stating that he does guarantee that the public will have an opportunity to voice their opinions and will have a voice in any development that is considered. However, the toll way would be interested in such a use and that type of use might encourage the cooperation of the toll way to open the ramps. The Lakota Group will suggest reasonable development options for that site. The information will be very useful and will be presented to the residents. Another developer has shown interest in the property but no proposal has been generated as of this time.

Mrs. Lynn Novak asked when chipping and yard waste pick-up would resume. Both have resumed effective April 1st.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn

MOTION: Trustee McGee so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen M. Svoboda
Village Clerk