

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
FIRST REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF JULY
Minutes of Monday, July 9, 2012

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

PLEDGE:

Mayor Kris Wasowicz led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Village President Kris Wasowicz; Trustees: Rich Sparr, Rick Symonds, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban and Sue Small. Trustee Small is attending electronically from Florida, where she is on business. Trustee Kinga Bartoszek is on vacation this week. Attorney Joe Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 25, 2012 as submitted, or if necessary as corrected

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

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

VOTE: Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban and Small, aye. Motion passed.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Mayor Wasowicz had no formal report.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Svoboda commented that the large increase in property taxes experienced by many of our residents was in most part due to the expiration of the expanded homeowners exemption that was in place for 2007, 08,09, and 10. If you look at the various taxing bodies and compare the individual line items from last year to this year, the changes are minimal.

We will, however, not see the huge increase from this year on the next few year's bills. Normal increases should apply.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE & INSURANCE –Trustee Ed Rusch for Trustee Kinga Bartoszek

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-26 in the amount of \$28,143.07, recurring expenses of \$87,374.78, MFT expenses of \$3,812.88, TIF #2 expenses of \$ 9,233.66 and TIF #4 expenses of \$5,286.95, and CDBG payment of \$29,498.77 for a total of \$163,350.11.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOTE: Trustee Symonds, Kuban, Small and Sparr, aye. Trustee Rusch abstained.
Motion passed.

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Trustee Rick Symonds

Trustee Symonds reported that the repaving and corrections to the drainage of 83rd Street are well underway. Grass cutting, chipping, maintenance of squad cars and PW equipment repairs has been completed. Resident complaints and requests are ongoing and were dealt with as usual. Pot-hole patching, sewer rodding and clean-outs continue.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To approve Resolution 2012-17, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAY ESTIMATE #2 TO INSTALL SIDEWALKS ON 79TH STREET & ROBERTS ROAD UNDER DCEO SIDEWALK PROJECT GRANT AND CMAQ SIDEWALK PROJECT GRANT.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOTE: Trustees Rusch, Kuban, Small, Sparr and Symonds, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Trustee Melanie Kuban

Trustee Kuban is in receipt of correspondence from the Oak Lawn Chief of Police thanking our Justice Police Department and in particular Officer Conrad for assistance provided through ILEAS, recently. Officer Conrad conducted himself professionally and distinguished himself in the aid of the Oak Lawn Department.

Sgt. Mark Krummick was recognized by AIM (Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists) for his exemplary number of DUI arrests. Sgt. Krummick has continuously been a leader in DUI arrests statewide. He deserves our appreciation and congratulations for his efforts to keep our community safe. He is recognized as one of AIM's Top Cops!

Another communication was received from Rita Crestland, the Executive Director of Fourpath at the Justice Medical Center for watching over the facility in the wee hours of the morning when only a few employees are present. It gives confidence to those who come and go that the Justice Police are conscientious and highly visible at the location. She expressed her thanks.

Work on the redlight cameras at eastbound and westbound 79th Street at Cork Ave. continue. There will be a moratorium on citations in the early weeks of operation.

The JPD has collected more than \$60,000.00 to date on the Immobilization Program.

A STEP Grant has been secured for increased patrol over Labor Day Weekend.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING & RECREATION – Trustee Sue Small

Trustee Small has no formal report this evening.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING – Trustee Ed Rusch

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve the Business License of Easy Truck Sales, LLC doing business at 8750 W. 82nd Place, having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Small, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Rusch commented that a grant is being sought to improve 82nd Place from IDOT.

We were also intending to renew a grant request in the spring of 2012 to perform work on the Brownfield's Property. Trustee Rusch asked if we had heard any reply.

Trustee Sparr stated he thought that we did not make the cut this time but will reapply as soon as an opportunity presents itself.

Trustee Rusch added that he was in contact with Attorney Mike Cainkar to prepare a draft agreement and a notification letter to the delinquent sewer customers in order to set up a process for collections and ultimately shut off of water service to those that refuse to comply or to set up acceptable payment arrangements. We have a lengthy list of delinquencies.

It is the intent of Trustee Rusch to capture some of the collections to be set aside toward replacement of the lift stations that are going to require replacing quite soon. He would also like to start setting aside \$5,000.00 - \$10,000.00 from each billing cycle of the regular sewer accounts toward that end as well.

Recently, Trustee Rusch had the opportunity to see the operation of Solar Signs at a SWCM function. IDOT has begun using them and they require no energy cost. They appear to be excellent safety options, especially in areas where children are frequently present. He would like to ask Ken White to obtain pricing for review by the board.

Trustee Rusch then asked Clerk Svoboda to expound on her recent conversation with a senior citizen regarding the aggregation program.

Clerk Svoboda stated that a well-informed senior was solicited by a power provider recently who claimed to be the village's aggregation supplier. He told her she needed to enroll with his company in order to be included in the aggregation. This was a scam. No action needs to be taken by anyone who wants to participate in the municipal aggregation. Only if you decide not to participate is action required. Letters went out to residents with an option to opt out and unless you are opting out you need do nothing. Don't be fooled by unscrupulous salespeople.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Rich Sparr

Trustee Sparr stated that he has been reviewing charges for fines, fees, permits and inspections for updating, as well as any building liens available for collection.

He will review the results of that review at the next committee meeting. Also, Trustee Sparr will review the various charges and financial responsibilities of a petitioner for subdivision. There seems to be confusion over what is a petitioner's expense and what is a builders expense on a newly created lot.

Trustee Sparr would like to hear from anyone interested in joining the Zoning and Planning Commission.

Trustee Ed Rusch suggested that Rich Berkowicz be contacted to fill the vacancy. It was agreed that Trustee Rusch would call Mr. Berkowicz to see if he is interested.

To date, this year, there have been 57 permits at a cost of \$325,000.00 issued by the Building Department.

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ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Joe Cainkar

Atty. Joe Cainkar had no report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk Svoboda then announced that the next Historical Committee Meeting will be on Monday, July 16th at 7:00 pm in the all-purpose room. We are looking for any photos, anecdotes or mementos from Justice's past.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

**Wednesday, July 18, 2012
7:00 p.m.**

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Bartoszek

Review of posted payables, possible review of the first quarter financials and any other matters before the committee.

ADMINISTRATION BLDG. & RECREATION: Trustee Small

Any matters before the committee including further discussion regarding the continuing process for creating Special Service Areas for the purpose of street reconstruction and development of the new website.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Trustee Kuban

Any matters before the committee.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING: Trustee Rusch

Review of any new businesses or home occupation licenses and any ordinances or code amendments available for review. Discussion regarding creating a process for collection of unpaid sewer accounts.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Symonds

Any matters before the committee.

BUILDING, PLATS & ZONING: Trustee Sparr

Any matters before the committee including a review of charges for various inspections.

Possible executive session to discuss:

- (1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees or classes of employees of the Village.
- (2) Potential or Pending litigation.
- (3) Collective Bargaining Matters.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn to Closed Session to discuss potential or pending litigation, the Lease or Sale of Property and Collective Bargaining matters.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned to Closed Session at 8:06 pm. Trustee Small did not join in the executive session.

Meeting Reconvened at 8:36 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Village President Kris Wasowicz; Trustees: Rick Symonds, Rich Sparr, Melanie Kuban and Ed Rusch. Attorney Cainkar is present.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:37 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen M. Svoboda
Village Clerk