

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF JANUARY
Minutes of Monday, January 27, 2014

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

PLEDGE:

Village President Krzysztof Wasowicz led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Village President Kris Wasowicz; Trustees: Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban, Hank Oszakiewski and Sue Small. Trustee Rick Symonds is attending electronically. Trustee Sparr is on vacation. Attorney Michael 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 First Regular Board Meeting of January 13, 2014 as submitted, or if necessary as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski so Moves: To approve the minutes as submitted.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOTE: Trustees Symonds, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski and Small, aye. All Ayes. Motion passed.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Village President Kris Wasowicz had no formal report this evening.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Svoboda had no formal report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Ed Rusch Jr.

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-39 in the amount of 37,550.14, recurring expenses of \$28,408.06, MFT Expenses of \$20,465.85, TIF #2 expenses of \$6,000.00, TIF #3 expenses of \$3,645.00, And TIF #4 expenses of \$4,560.00 for a total of \$94,629.05.

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

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

The payables were amended following the last committee meeting to reflect the scheduled insurance payment as a recurring expense, rather than a payable. Trustee Rusch will be working with Margaret to insure that the payables are just that, purchases of goods or services that will hit the budget for the respective department making the purchase. All expenses that are monthly or are expected and follow a regular payment schedule will be allocated as recurring.

The Capital Grants from TIF #4 to the various taxing bodies have been awarded and letters and checks were sent to all except Argo HS. Attorney Vince Cainkar will distribute the Argo HS check for us in person, when he sees them on another matter in a day or two. He will also prepare the letter accompanying that distribution.

Trustee Rusch read a sample of the letters to the three districts, the park, the library and School District #109, for the information of the board members.

The sewer collection letters are going out this week via certified mail. We expect responses to commence upon their receipt.

Trustee Rusch has received another offer to extend our lease from American Tower and has forwarded the offer for our attorney to review. American Tower is proposing an extension to 2079.

Trustee Rusch will be in FL visiting family from Thurs. until Monday this coming week, but will return before the next regular committee meeting. He will be calling for an executive session tonight, at the end of regular business.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING & RECREATION – Trustee Sue Small

Trustee Small reminded all that the Lyons Township; Greater Chicago Mobile Food Pantry distribution will be here at the Justice Village Hall, on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 3:00 pm. Volunteers to help with the distribution are needed. Please make anyone who is in need of assistance aware of the upcoming distribution.

The Argo HS Band and Orchestra have requested a donation from the village and Trustee Small asked that Clerk Svoboda determine what amount we have contributed in past years.

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Trustee Rick Symonds

In the report from Director Joe Cekus and Deputy Director Ken White for the dates of January 13th to the 24th:

The crew cleaned, repaired and painted four pumps and five generators to get them in good working order. They also cleaned and organized the second floor, plumbing and sewer areas. A new hose and air-reel was found in that area to install.

A new motor for the stand-up grass cutter was purchased.

Cold-patching of pot holes continued throughout town. Ten tons of cold-patch was utilized.

Temporary repairs to signs and mailboxes were completed.

So far, 850 tons of salt have been used this year. We have 150 tons on order and another 100 tons on our current contract left to purchase.

On the week end of January 18th and 19th, Public Works took care of flooding issues due to the rain and to frozen storm-sewer, manhole breaks. Numerous calls regarding the Roberts Park lift-station were received due to the volume of water being more than the equipment could handle. A flow meter was installed to record the number of gallons pumped per minute, and the volume of gallon per day. This info will help determine the size and capacity of the pumps necessary for the rebuild we are planning.

Public Works performed snowplowing and ice removal on all streets on Saturday and again on Sunday.

Trustee Symonds will also require an executive session tonight to discuss the Appointment, Employment or Compensation of one or more employees, and pending litigation.

Trustee Symonds is in receipt of two nice thank you notes. One from a lady on 84th Place in the Highlands complimenting the plow drivers and another from a Roberts Park area resident thanking public works for the fine and fast snow plowing, and especially for the senior-driveway plowing as she is unable to do it herself.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Trustee Melanie Kuban

Trustee Kuban is in receipt of three Certificates of Recognition. Two are awarded to Cpl. Ryan Zima who on January 3rd affected a traffic stop and upon speaking to the driver found he was

driving on a revoked driver's license, and he had four prior convictions for aggravated driving while his license was revoked. He was arrested for aggravated driving while license is revoked.

On January 12th, Cpl. Ryan Zima stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation. The vehicle fled at a high rate of speed and when he stopped it for a second time, he found the driver's license was suspended for a prior DUI. The driver was then charged with aggravated driving while a license is suspended.

On January 15th, Officer Anthony DeBella was dispatched to 75th and Oak Grove where a male was detained by a resident for breaking into vehicles in the vicinity. Officer DeBella detained the suspect and found large amounts of change in his possession. The offender, from Palos Hills, was charged with two counts of burglary.

Trustee Rusch asked if drivers who are found to have a suspended or revoked license, are their vehicles then towed and impounded?
Indeed they are.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING – Trustee Henry Oszakiewski

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve Ordinance 2014-01, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12, ZONING, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY ADDING REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO SPECIAL USE PERMITS AND PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS FACILITIES.

SECOND: Trustee Small

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

This action is in response to action by the State allowing medical cannabis facilities to operate in Illinois after January 1, 2014. We have created Special Use permitting to be utilized to further limit the locating of such facilities in the Village of Justice.

Trustee Oszakiewski announced the Theme for the 2014-2015 Vehicle Sticker Design Contest will be "Build Justice Together". He asked Clerk Kathy Svoboda to write a paragraph to the schools expanding on the theme, and also to create a letter for the review of the village board to hand out with vehicle tags highlighting plans, goals and strategies for economic development of the Village of Justice. It is important for all residents to be aware and take part in the initiative.

The opportunity to apply for the Economic Development Commissioners positions is still listed on the website. Trustee Oszakiewski asks that we continue seeking applications until February 15th.

Discussions will continue on February 17th at 9:30 am with representatives of EXP and Gateway Development Partners, and again with the instructors from MVCC at 1:00 pm that same day. The instructors will be training our board members, Economic Development Commissioners and employees on the strategies, tools and processes of economic development.

Trustees Sue Small and Hank Oszakiewski will attend a presentation on Hazard Mitigation presented by Cook County, downtown, on Thursday afternoon.

Brochures will be delivered by Eileen Flanagan from Attorney General Lisa Madigan's office outlining the rights of tenants in foreclosure situations. Help lines and foreclosure timeline information will be featured in the brochure.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Kuban for Trustee Rich Sparr

Trustee Kuban asked Jim Lurquin and Ed Shilka if there was anything to report.

Mr. Lurquin stated that he responded to a call at an apartment building for no heat. An inspection was conducted of two buildings owned by the same owner and violations were issued. The heat in the subject building has been repaired and is now operational.

A short circuit produced sparking and smoke causing the fire department to respond to an illegal connection to a Com Ed pole. The wire was disconnected by Com Ed, but the window was left open causing pipes to freeze and burst, creating an additional problem at the building.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT: Attorney Joseph Cainkar

Attorney Michael Cainkar had no formal report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none of note.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Wednesday, February 5, 2014

7:00 pm

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Rusch

Review of posted payables and other matters before the committee including continuing discussion regarding the progress of the sewer collection initiative.

ADMINISTRATION BLDG. & RECREATION: Trustee Small

Any matters before the committee including requests for a donation to the Argo HS Bands and Orchestra and an Ad for the Rosary Hill Home Spring Dance Ad Book.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Trustee Kuban

Any matters before the committee including an update regarding cameras at the Building Department/ Public Works Building and discussion regarding the filling of a Sergeants position in the PD.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING: Trustee Oszakiewski

Review of any new ordinances and any new businesses and an Economic Development initiatives update.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Symonds

Any matters before the committee including discussion regarding requests to purchase equipment in PW from Joe Cekus and lift station inspection agreements.

BUILDING, PLATS & ZONING: Trustee Sparr

Any matters before the committee.

Executive Session: To review Executive Session Minutes for possible release, or to continue to be held.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of one or more employees or classes of employee.

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:52 pm.

Meeting Reconvened at 8:47 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Village President Kris Wasowicz; Trustees: Rick Symonds, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban, Hank Oszakiewski and Sue Small. Attorney Michael Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is also present.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Kuban so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Small

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen M. Svoboda
Village Clerk