

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF JULY
Minutes of Monday, July 28, 2014

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

PLEDGE:

Village Trustee Melanie Kuban led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Trustees: Rich Sparr, Rick Symonds, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban, Hank Oszakiewski and Sue Small. Mayor Wasowicz is home recuperating from a minor health procedure. Attorney Michael Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is also present.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To designate Trustee Melanie Kuban to serve as Chairman Pro Tem for the purpose of conducting tonight's board meeting.
SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
VOTE: Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Oszakiewski and Small, aye. Trustee Kuban abstained.
Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the First Regular Board Meeting of July 14, 2014 as submitted, or if necessary as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the minutes as submitted.
SECOND: Trustee Symonds
VOTE: Trustees Symonds, Rusch, Oszakiewski, Small, Kuban and Sparr, aye. All Ayes.
Motion passed.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Chairman Kuban had no formal report.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda sincerely thanked Mayor Wasowicz, each and every member of the board of trustees, and employees who sent get well wishes during her recent hospitalization and recuperation. The flowers from the village were beautiful. She also thanked the many residents who sent cards, candy and called. She is sincerely grateful for all of the good wishes for a speedy recovery.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING – Trustee Henry Oszakiewski

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve a stipend for the Economic Development Secretary for her attendance and preparation of the minutes and agendas for the commission effective as of the July 17, 2014 meeting.
SECOND: Trustee Small
Trustee Rusch questioned the amount of the stipend.
Trustee Oszakiewski stated that it is \$100.00 per commission meeting including preparation of the agenda and minutes.

VOTE: Trustees, Rusch, Oszakiewski, Small, Kuban and Sparr, aye. Trustee Symonds voted no.
Motion passed.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE –Trustee Ed Rusch Jr.

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-36 for the period of July 15, 2014 to July 21, 2014 in the amount of \$34,971.28, Recurring Expenses of \$19,188.27 MFT Expenses of \$3,375.62, TIF #2 Expenses of \$ 7,300.00 and TIF #3 Expenses of \$536.00, for a total of \$65,371.17.

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

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

Municipal Services Administrator, Jim Lurquin stated that the MFT Expenses as quoted should include an Administrative Fee of \$1,250.00 to Bank of New York Mellon for a total TIF #2 expense of \$8,550.00.

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To add the payable of \$1,250.00, due to Bank of New York Mellon for Administrative Fees to the TIF expenses of \$7,300.00 for a total of \$8,550.00 in expenses attributed to TIF #2.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

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

Note: It was later determined that the bill for \$1,250.00 payable to Bank of New York was indeed included in the payables expenses as originally quoted. The administrative fee, although attributable to TIF #2, is an appropriate General Fund expense. We receive an annual allotment from TIF #2 to the General Fund to cover such expenses. The initial motion was correct.

Trustee Ed Rusch stated that the second group of collection letters for those customers with outstanding balances over \$500.00 has been sent. We are receiving responses from some. We will be working with our attorney to send appropriate notification to the final three accounts for disconnection of water service. Once the service is disconnected the property becomes unfit for occupancy so we must proceed cautiously.

The ordinance listed on the agenda to implement a garbage collection rate increase is being returned to committee by Trustee Rusch for additional discussion to set the rates before passage at a subsequent meeting.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING & RECREATION – Trustee Sue Small

Trustee Sue Small reminded all that the next Mobile Food Pantry distribution is scheduled for Tuesday, August 19th here at the village hall. As usual we need volunteers to assist with the distribution. Volunteers should arrive around 2:30 pm. Usually, we're done by around 5:30 pm.

The new village information sign for the front of the village administration building is about two weeks out. We are looking forward to the digital message capabilities.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Trustee Melanie Kuban

Trustee Kuban had no formal report this evening.

PUBLIC UTILITIES –Trustee Rick Symonds

Trustee Symonds quoted the report from Joe Cekus for the period from July 14th until July 25th. Blackstone – from 75th Place to Figura and Figura from 75th Place to the cul-de-sac are ready for paving.

Storm Water Maintenance continues; drains were repaired at 8018 W. 85th Place and the culvert was replaced at 7601 Cronin. A storm drain was installed at 8150 S. 84th Court and the ditch was swaled from Frontage to 76th Place on Banks.

New pumps are installed at the Roberts Park Lift Station and the PW Yard is cleaned. Two workers attended Flagger Training and numerous JULIE mark-ups were performed.

The new Time Clock is installed at Public Works. Several street signs were installed and the benches in front of the village hall were re-painted. Truck #5 has the suspension repaired and #6 had a tie-rod repaired and the oil changed. A tire was repaired on the chipper.

Chipping continues on Monday and Tuesday of each week, grass-cutting continues with the assistance of our summer help.

A drive shaft was repaired on the John Deere tractor. Maintenance to police vehicles is ongoing and multiple trailers received repairs.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To approve Resolution 2014-07, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE BID TO RECONSTRUCT ROADS IN THE SOUTH JUSTICE STREET PROJECT UNDER THE 1306-012 CDBG AND ERP IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

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

Trustee Symonds offered his most sincere get well wishes to Marty Vilimek, our EMA Director, who underwent a hip replacement surgery.

Thank you to Chief McDermott and the police department for their assistance and support of the Bedford Park officer Ken Bernstein for whom a fundraising event was conducted.

Trustee Rusch asked that we suggest to Director Joe Cekus that he place cones and notify the school before he works at 80th Street at 81st and 82nd. Summer school may be in progress and will create traffic and increased pedestrians.

Trustee Symonds thinks we targeted a week when summer school is on break, but we will check.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Rich Sparr

Trustee Sparr reported that he had conversation with John Hoefflerle about a new process from Prairie Materials for paving. It utilizes rolled concrete and may be suitable for 82nd Place and the cul-de-sac by the public works building.

Tomorrow, Trustee Sparr and members of our staff will meet with Patten Industries Inc. to evaluate recommendations for necessary maintenance to our main generator that powers the administration building and police department.

Plans are progressing for the Frontage Road improvement. We are excited to anticipate new drainage, lighting, paving and landscaping.

Tomorrow, the Zoning Board will convene to evaluate a variance for side setback on a garage.

Trustee Sparr added his admiration to the FOP for their participation in the “Night for Bernie” the fundraising event for the Bedford Park officer who is fighting devastating cancer. Many of our officers participated in the event and others covered duties to insure the safety of Bedford Park while the event was taking place.

Trustee Sparr called upon Jim Lurquin who talked about the projects by IDOT that are underway. 79th Street was a two year project that started in 2013. At the end of the construction season temporary striping was performed. The striping didn’t last through the winter and will

need to be replaced. The project is slated to be completed by the end of the 2014 construction season.

The ramps to Route 45 are scheduled to be resurfaced with a process that has a 10-year life. The resurfacing will occur before the end of this construction season.

We are evaluating the need for a revised Special Events Application. Jim Lurquin will discuss his ideas with the Mayor/Liquor Commissioner, and then will report to the board.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Michael Cainkar
Attorney Cainkar had no formal report.

CORRESPONDENCE:
There was none of note.

OLD BUSINESS:
Trustee Ed Rusch commented that he had gone on record to oppose the salary increase for Public Works Director Joe Cekus that was discussed while he was on vacation. Trustee Rusch wants everyone to know that he is extremely impressed with the job being done by Director Cekus. He is responsive to all requests and has performed his duties in an exemplary manner. Ed felt that the amount of the raise was excessive in a single award and creates a poor precedent.

Due to comments from the audience indicating that it is very difficult to hear the board members during their reports and conversation, Trustee Small asked that the microphones be utilized during all meetings where the public is present.

NEW BUSINESS:

**SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:
Wednesday, August 6, 2014
7:00 pm**

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Rusch
Review of posted payables, sewer collections, garbage collection rates, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 5, HEALTH AND SANITATION, ARTICLE VI, GARBAGE COLLECTION, DIVISION I, GENERALLY, SECTION 5-260, GARBAGE COLLECTION RULES, AND BY AMENDING CHAPTER 13, RATES AND FEES, ARTICLE I, RATES AND FEES, SECTION 13-1, RATES AND FEES, OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE, and any other matters before the committee.

ADMINISTRATION BLDG. & RECREATION: Trustee Small
Any matters before the committee including a Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of the Bid for the Village of Justice Administration Building Flat Roof Replacement Project, transition/succession planning for the duties of the Municipal Services Administrator, and discussion to formulate plans to celebrate Veterans' Day.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Trustee Kuban
Any matters before the committee.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING: Trustee Oszakiewski
Any new businesses or ordinances available for review, proposal to post new ordinances and agendas to our website, attendance at the upcoming IML conference and other matters before the committee.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Symonds

Any matters before the committee including review of the results of the Sewer televising - bid opening of 7-31-14 and a Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of the Bid to Televis Sanitary Sewers in the Village of Justice and A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATIONS FOR THE DCEO GRANT #140134 FOR ROAD REPAIRS. .

BUILDING, PLATS & ZONING: Trustee Sparr

Any matters before the committee including possible review of the rates and fees for zoning variances and subdivisions.

Executive Session if required.

VOICES FROM THE FLOOR:

Mrs. Diane Powers asked if there was an update regarding the gas station at 84th Place and 88th Avenue. Mrs. Powers inquired about the safety of the water to the Highlands with the number of water breaks that have occurred. Is the contamination from the old gas station leaking into the water supply to that area?

There is no movement as yet regarding requiring an owner to remove the underground tanks and to mitigate the contaminated soil. However, every time a water break occurs the water is tested to insure it is safe for consumption. The water has tested safe at all such occurrences.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen M. Svoboda
Village Clerk