

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF AUGUST
Minutes of Monday, August 27, 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, Ed Rusch, Rick Symonds, Melanie Kuban and Kinga Bartoszek. Trustee Sue Small was called away on a family emergency. 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 Regular Board Meeting of August 13, 2012 as submitted, or if necessary as corrected.

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

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

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

PRESENTATION:

Chief of Police, Robert Gedville made a formal presentation on behalf of the Village of Justice Police Department to Deputy Chief Michael Kurschner for achieving 20 Years of Dedicated Service to the Justice Police Department

Chief Gedville chronicled Deputy Chief Mike Kurschner's rise to his current rank of Deputy Chief. Deputy Chief Kurschner received the thanks of the Village of Justice and the JPD for his distinguished service.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Wasowicz reported on the condition of the village following the considerable rain last night. As usual, 75th Street was under water so public works was called out to install temporary barricades. Several cars were stalled in Roberts Road so the Bridgeview Justice EMA was contacted to provide assistance and notification of subsequent drivers.

Mayor Wasowicz is pleased to report that Roberts Park withstood the heavy rain very well.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Village Clerk Kathy Svoboda issued sincere congratulations to Davern's Tavern & Lounge for their fundraising efforts in assisting VFW Post 9801 in supporting

the 1st of the 30th infantry that have three active members of the Markham VFW currently serving in Afghanistan.

Clerk Svoboda reminded the board members that the September Meeting of the South and West Municipal Clerks is being held here in Justice on Thursday, September 6, 2012 at Szarotka's Hideaway. She is hosting the meeting for the Clerk's organization. Cocktails are at 6:00 pm and dinner will follow the meeting that will occur at 6:30 pm. The village board is invited to attend. Senator Landek will be swearing in the newly elected 2012-13 officers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE & INSURANCE –Trustee Kinga Bartoszek

Trustee Bartoszek added her sincere congratulations to Deputy Chief Kurschner for attaining 20 years of dedicated and distinguished service.

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-26 in the amount of \$14,217.79 recurring expenses of \$5,878.26, MFT expenses of \$44,872.88, for a total of \$64,968.93.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOTE: Trustee Symonds, Rusch, Kuban, Bartoszek, and Sparr, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Bartoszek Moves: To approve payment in the amount of \$33,059.00 from TIF #4 funds to the Justice Park District for capital improvements contracted by the district to enhance the Justice Veteran's Memorial including footings, flagpoles, sidewalks, fencing, lighting and landscaping.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

Trustee Rusch expressed mixed emotions about this vote. He appreciates the work that was accomplished at the site, but has reservations regarding this board being asked to vote on an initiative that they did not have an opportunity to approve as TIF eligible expense prior to it being completed. He understands that this was discussed with a prior board

Trustee Bartoszek stated that this vote is the opportunity to approve the expenditure of TIF funds for the project and that until this vote, all expenses were paid by the park district.

President Wasowicz stated that improvements within a TIF district are certainly eligible. Consider the extra improvements that were done in the Arbors. A community center and the installation of a concrete fence.

VOTE: Trustee Rusch, Kuban, Bartoszek, Sparr and Symonds, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Bartoszek reminded all that the next Historical Committee Meeting will be on September 24th. She thanked Jean Symonds and Liz Chicola for their concerted efforts interviewing people and gathering historical photos and data.

PUBLIC UTILITIES – Trustee Rick Symonds

Trustee Symonds has a report from Asst. Director of Public Works, Ken White for the period including August 13th to the 24th. Mr. White reports that maintenance of squad cars, sewer rodding, chipping, clean-outs and grass cutting is ongoing. Asphalt patching, maintenance of PW equipment and responding to resident requests and complaints continues. Inspections of sewer laterals and set up and clean up for the car show and recent family-fest.

Costs were compiled for the proposed 83rd Street project at about \$72,000.00 and the 75th Street and Banks improvements at around \$17,000.00.

All streets were passable this morning, and were quite clear by around 9:00 am.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Trustee Melanie Kuban

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To authorize Chief Gedville to interview for and hire a Dispatcher to fill the vacancy created by an employee's recent separation from service to the dispatch staff.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

VOTE: Trustee Kuban, Bartoszek, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Kuban quoted a letter addressed to Deputy Chief McDermott from Western Illinois University School of Law Enforcement expressing thanks for our recent participation in their intern program.

Another letter to Chief Gedville was received from Chief Alan Vodica of the Hickory Hills Police thanking Deputy Chief Kurschner for his participation in their National Night Out festivities. Deputy Chief Kurschner participated in an exciting SWAT demonstration that was enjoyed by all who were in attendance.

One more letter to Chief Gedville was quoted by Trustee Kuban indicating how impressed the staff of MIICU was with the professional and compassionate conduct of Detectives Plotke and Malloy who were at their facility recently doing an investigation.

Lastly, Trustee Kuban indicated that an additional squad car will be added to the JPD fleet and a new phone system for the department is also being purchased with the use of Asset Forfeiture funds available for the supplementing of police department equipment and services.

Chief Gedville added that we are now Phase II compliant and are accepting cell phone 911 calls at our own dispatch center. There is an additional income to the Village of Justice ETSB for that service.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING & RECREATION – Trustee Kuban for Trustee Small

- MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve a donation from Special Events to the I&M Canal National Corridor Civic Center Authority Rendezvous in the amount of \$250.00, for the Des Plaines Valley “Rendezvous” School Day..
- SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek
- VOTE: Trustee Bartoszek, Sparr, Symonds, Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

ORDINANCES, LICENSES & PUBLIC PRINTING – Trustee Ed Rusch

- MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: Motion: To approve the Home Occupation License of Business Ally, doing business at 7230 Bradford Court, in Justice, a marketing firm that works by telephone and computer, being in compliance with all codes and ordinances and having passed all inspections.
- SECOND: Trustee Symonds
- VOTE: Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban and Bartoszek, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

- MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: Motion : To direct the village attorneys to work with village staff to craft a letter notifying delinquent sewer service customers that it is the intent of the village to shut-off water service, if no acceptable arrangements are made to satisfactorily address past due balances.
- SECOND: Trustee Symonds
- VOTE: Trustees Symonds, Rusch, Kuban, Bartoszek and Sparr, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

We will take the IMRF Resolution back to committee for further clarification.

BUILDING, PLATS AND ZONING – Trustee Rich Sparr

Jim Lurquin, with the advice and assistance of other staff members is working on policies for events held within the community. There are at least fifteen areas of concern to be addressed.

The procedure continues to facilitate the demolition of the two Justice properties. Letters went out to the responsible parties and we are still at least 30 days to condemnation, if that becomes necessary.

Trustee Sparr sincerely thanked all of the volunteers that participated in the recent Auto Show and park district festival. The Auto Show was presented at no cost to the residents due to the generous donations received from our business owners and benefactors.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT: Attorney Michael Cainkar

Atty. Cainkar had no formal report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none of note.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Wednesday, September 5, 2012

7:00 p.m.

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Bartoszek

Review of posted payables, further review of the first quarter financials, update regarding the 2011 audit and any other matters before the committee.

ADMINISTRATION BLDG. & RECREATION: Trustee Small

Any matters before the committee.

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 the proposed letter to past-due customers that do not respond with suitable payment arrangements, that their water service will be suspended.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Symonds

Any matters before the committee.

BUILDING, PLATS & ZONING: Trustee Sparr

Any matters before the committee including discussion regarding recommendations from the Zoning and Planning Commission for changes to the village code.

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:

Mr. John Small expressed his disapproval at TIF funds being used to beautify and rebuild a place for the Veterans Memorial. He feels that TIF funds should be used for economic development initiatives and not to compensate the park district for beautification projects.

Mayor Wasowicz explained that, on the contrary, capital improvements are allowed and customary. In fact, they can be improvements to the schools, library, parks or even churches within a TIF District.

Mrs. Cookie Gaskin asked why Mr. Rusch voted yes if he disagreed with how the project was handled.

Mr. Rusch felt bound to honor the verbal commitment made by the prior board to the park district.

Mayor Wasowicz reminded all that the improvement enhanced the appearance of the village and honors our veteran past and present. That's good enough for him.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn to closed session for the purpose of discussion of collective bargaining matters.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned to Closed Session at 8:08 pm.

Meeting reconvened at 8:45 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Village President Kris Wasowicz; Trustees: Rich Sparr, Ed Rusch, Rick Symonds, Melanie Kuban and Kinga Bartoszek. Trustee Sue Small was called away on a family emergency. Attorney Michael Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is also present.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Bartoszek

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen M. Svoboda
Village Clerk