

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MAY
Tuesday, May 28, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: President Wasowicz called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Pro Tem Melanie Kuban led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Clerk Sue Small recorded the roll. Present are Trustees: Jeffrey Allen, John Obrochta, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban, Hank Oszakiewski and Fran Mills. Attorney Michael Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is present. Mayor Wasowicz is absent this evening.

MOTION: Trustee Mills Moves: To approve the appointment of Trustee Melanie Kuban to serve as the temporary Chairperson for the purpose of conducting this meeting.

SECOND: Trustee Obrochta

VOTE: Trustees Jeffrey Allen, John Obrochta, Melanie Kuban, Henry Oszakiewski and Frances Mills, aye. Trustee Rusch abstained. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Chairperson Melanie Kuban asked for questions or comments directly related to tonight's agenda.

There were none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the May 13, 2019 board meeting as submitted, or if necessary, as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Mills so moves (to approve the minutes as submitted.)

SECOND: Trustee Obrochta

VOTE: Trustees Obrochta, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski, Mills and Allen, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

There was no report.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Village Clerk Sue Small read a letter into the record resigning her position as the appointed Village Collector effective May 31st, 2019.

She will proudly continue to serve in her elected position as Village Clerk through her elected term.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMIN, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Frances Mills

MOTION: Trustee Mills Moves: To approve the list of committee assignments discussed at committee meeting of 5-22-2019. The changes will take effect immediately.

SECOND: Trustee Obrochta
VOTE: Trustees, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski, Mills, Allen and Obrochta, aye. All ayes.
Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Mills Moves: To approve ORDINANCE 2019-14, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE V, VILLAGE ATTORNEY; VILLAGE PROSECUTOR, BY CHANGING SECTION 2-161, DUTIES OF VILLAGE ATTORNEY, AND BY DELETING SECTION 2-166, ACCESS TO LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE

SECOND: Trustee Allen
Trustee Rusch commented that he does not support this action. He added that oftentimes second opinions are valuable. He acknowledges our village attorneys do an excellent job but the ability of our board to obtain another opinion may be valuable at some point. Trustee Oszakiewski agrees that he also supports our own village attorneys, but he also sees the opportunity for a second opinion as worthwhile.

VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Mills, Allen and Obrochta, aye. Trustees Rusch and Oszakiewski voted no. Motion passed.

Trustee Mills then thanked Special Events Coordinator, Janet Cervantes, the Building Department, Economic Development, Public Works, the Finance team, the Justice Police Honor Guard, Boy Scout Troop 13, Edyta Sikon, Pastor Seefeldt, Mayor Kris Wasowicz and all the trustees that attended. Also, a special thanks to Mr. Jim Lurquin for his excellent speech.

Trustee Mills then announced that the Greater Chicago Food Depository will provide a lunch bus that will be available at the Justice Park District from June 10th to August 16th from 11:25 to 11:40 am, Monday through Friday, except on July 4th, to provide nutritious meals to children and teens.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee John Obrochta

Trustee Obrochta spoke about resident requests for better vehicle speed control around the Lipinski Center. He suggested that the Police Department be called if obvious speeding is occurring.

He is conferring with Mike Kurschner regarding options for security cameras.

ECONOMIC DEV. & BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Edward Rusch Jr.

MOTION: Trustee Rusch moves: To approve a Home Occupation license to High-Flying Industries, LLC operating a home office for an E-Retail business located at 7303 Maplewood Drive in Justice

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Mills, Allen, Obrochta, Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Rusch moves: To approve a business license to Imperial Nutrition, operating an Online Nutritional Meal Replacement Business located at 8350 S. 88th Avenue in Justice.

SECOND: Trustee Obrochta

VOTE: Trustees Allen, Obrochta, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski and Mills, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC UTILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE: Trustee Jeff Allen

Trustee Allen commented that the recent rains have delayed any street work commencing by our public works crews.

Trustee Allen and Building Commissioner Ed Shilka were out yesterday surveying drainage problems in Cork Highlands. They called out Tim Dalton of Public Works to clear the ditch with a tractor. This morning some pipes were installed. Numerous obstacles were removed from the ditches.

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Hank Oszakiewski

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To direct the village attorney to begin the process of creating an agreement with the village and the AOCAC (All Our Children's Advocacy Center) to manage the maintenance and day-to-day operations of the village-owned property

SECOND: Trustee Allen

VOTE: Trustees Obrochta, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski, Mills and Allen, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Oszakiewski asked how the Lipinski Center roof fared in the recent rains. Ed Shilka replied just a few drips occurred but nothing of consequence.

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Melanie Kuban

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve posted payables 1-53 of \$36,803.14, MFT expenses of \$10,788.05, TIF#2 expenses of \$1,290.00; TIF#4 expenses of \$23,910.16, TIF#5 expenses of \$138.00, TIF#2 Capital Project Fund of \$670.00 and Recurring Expenses of \$40,978.86 for a total of \$114,578.21

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

VOTE: Trustees Obrochta, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski, Mills and Allen, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To Approve ORDINANCE NO. 2019-15, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE APPROVING CLASS 7a ASSESSMENT STATUS FOR THE REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 7901 SOUTH 87TH COURT (P.I.N.s: 18-35-117-001-0000 & 18-35-117-002-0000), IN THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

SECOND: Trustee Mills

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To postpone consideration of this ordinance until further discussion has occurred in committee.

Trustee Rusch stated that he has several questions that have not been addressed and he would move to take this issue back to committee for further discussion. We are not clear as to how much revenue we are giving up. He also takes issue with the criteria of the property being abandoned for at least 24 mos. There has been activity particularly, in the form of a sale.

It was noted that our approval is necessary for the County to consider granting this 7A status.

Trustee Kuban added that the village does not grant the incentive. The County is the deciding agency and that the increased assessment from development of the property will certainly bring additional revenue to all taxing bodies.

(Discussion occurred regarding the priority of the motions on the floor)

Trustee Oszakiewski added his position that there should have been considerably more discussion and input from the community.

VOTE: Trustees Rusch and Oszakiewski, aye. Kuban, Mills, Allen and Obrochta voted no. Motion failed.

A Vote was then called on Trustee Kuban's motion to approve Ordinance 2019-15

VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Mills, Allen and Obrochta, aye. Rusch and Oszakiewski voted no. Motion passed.

MOTION: Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve: ORDINANCE NO. 2019-16, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Mills, Allen, Obrochta, Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Rusch then commented that at the last board meeting it was noted that the Sewer Improvement Fund, established a few years ago to save money for mandates and emergencies was down to \$90,000.00. The Mayor rudely commented that the board had not seen fit to continue depositing into that account.

Trustee Rusch stated that he checked, and Mayor Wasowicz could transfer funds between accounts without formal board approval and could have continued the process himself.

Trustee Kuban added that she has requested quarterly financial statements be provided asap. We are well into the second quarter.

ATTORNEYS' REPORT:

No report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

**Schedule of Committee Meetings
Wednesday, June 5, 2019**

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Obrochta
Any matters before the committee including:

- Discussion related to part time patrol officers and pay
- Video camera update (Trustee Oszakiewski)

ECONOMIC DEV. & BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Rusch

Any matters before the committee

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Oszakiewski

Any matters before the committee including:

- Discussion about progress on the AOCAC

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Allen

Any matters before the committee

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Kuban

Any matters before the committee including:

- Posted payables

ADMIN, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Mills

Any matters before the committee:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Trustee Rusch asked if the Lunch Bus initiative was discussed with the schools.
Trustee Kuban stated she was sure Dr. Nuccio was informed.

Mr. John Small then asked about the 7A incentive and didn't Trustee Kuban state at the last consideration of the incentive that without immediate action the opportunity would expire?

Trustee Kuban replied that the applicant received an extension to apply.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Kuban asked for a Motion to Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski so moved.

SECOND: Trustee Mills

VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm
Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Svoboda, Deputy Village Clerk