CALL TO ORDER: President Wasowicz called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Wasowicz led the reciting of the pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Clerk Suzanne Small

PRESENT:
- MAYOR WASOWICZ
- CLERK SMALL
- ATTORNEY CAINKAR
- POLICE / KURSCHNER
- TRUSTEE RUSCH
- TRUSTEE OBROCHTA
- TRUSTEE ALLEN
- TRUSTEE KUBAN
- DEPT. HEAD CEKUS
- DEPT HEAD ZAREBCZAN

ELECTED ABSENT
- TRUSTEE OSZAKIEWSKI

The Business Recognition Awards were presented / Proclamation made

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**Village of Justice**

*Business Recognition Awards*

2019

Village President, Kios Wasowicz

Economic Development Chair, Trustee Ed Rusch

Economic Development Director, Matt Zarebczan

TO PRESENT THE FOLLOWING:

- **Celebrating 25 Years in 2018 (1994)**
  - Businesses
    - Anagnos Doors - Richard/Kathleen Anagnos
    - Naser's Salon - Naser D noweh

- **Celebrating 50 Years in 2019 (1969)**
  - Business
    - The Flower Shop - Emil & Suzanne Zager

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**Mayor Krzysztof Wasowicz Will Read a Proclamation**

- **Celebrating 125 Years in 2019 (1894)**
  - Business
    - Bethania Cemetery - Randy Liese - Superintendent

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Awards presented at our Business Recognition dinner included these businesses celebrating 10 years in 2018:

- A. Lugan Contractors, Inc.
- Constant Motion Service d/b/a Oll Delux
- New Bridges
President Wasowicz read the following Proclamation and it was presented to Bethania Cemetery:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Bethania Cemetery Association is celebrating their 125th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the Bethania Cemetery Association was founded in 1894 and organized by seven predominantly German Lutheran congregations from Chicago’s south side; and

WHEREAS, the Bethania Cemetery Association purchased 114 acres of land for the cemetery and the cemetery was dedicated on July 15, 1894, and its first burial was performed on July 22, 1894; and

WHEREAS, during their first year in operation, there were 99 burials, of which 78 were children under the age of 10 who succumbed to pneumonia, bronchitis, enteritis, and tuberculosis; and

WHEREAS, since 1894, Bethania’s historic bell is tolled as every procession passes through their gates; and

WHEREAS, the care and concern Bethania Cemetery Association has for their families and visitors is founded on faith and exemplified by service; and

WHEREAS, Bethania Cemetery Association serves families with a tradition of compassion, integrity, and excellence; and

WHEREAS, its mission has remained the same for 125 years and will continue for all generations to come.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Justice, Illinois, that we congratulate Bethania Cemetery Association on their 125th Anniversary and their continued service to their community, commend their dedication, and wish them success in years to come.

A suitable copy of this proclamation is hereby presented to the Bethania Cemetery Association as an expression of our esteem and respect, on this day, December 9, 2019.

Krzysztof Wasowicz
Village President

Attest: ____________________________
Suzanne Small, Village Clerk

Pictures were taken and congratulations to these milestone businesses
The meeting continued to the regular agenda

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Individuals were given the opportunity to comment or ask questions about the agenda for tonight’s meeting. Comments related to topics other than those on this agenda will be given time at the end of the meeting to discuss.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*Mayor Wasowicz moved:* To approve the minutes of the November 25, 2019 board meeting as submitted or, if necessary as corrected.

So moved: Trustee Mills
Second: Trustee Kuban ....Added ordinance # to minutes (Ordinance 2019-35)

Yes: Kuban, Mills, Allen, Obrochta, Rusch
Absent: Oszakiewski

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** President Kris Wasowicz
- Any matters for the record including:
  The mayor extends holiday greetings to all

**VILLAGE CLERK’S REPORT:** Suzanne Small, Village Clerk
- Any matters for the record including:
  The clerk extends holiday greetings to all

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES:** Trustee Obrochta
- Any matters for the record including:
  - No Report

**ECONOMIC DEV. & BUSINESS LICENSES:** Trustee Rusch
- Any matters for the record including:
  - No Updates: Be careful driving on winter roads!

**BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES:** Trustee Oszakiewski was absent; Trustee Allen gave report
- **MOTION:** To Approve ORDINANCE NO. 2019-36 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13, RATES AND FEES, ARTICLE I, RATES AND FEES, SECTION 13-1, RATES AND FEES, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE
  - Second: Trustee Kuban
  - Yes: Kuban, Mills, Allen, Wasowicz
  - Abstain: Obrochta
  - NO: Rusch
  - Absent: Oszakiewski

*Amount of License added to record by Trustee Rusch. The fee will be $5,000*
• **MOTION:** To Approve ORDINANCE 2019-37 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3, BUSINESS REGULATIONS, ARTICLE IV, ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR, BY AMENDING SECTION 3-88, NUMBER OF LICENSES, OF THE JUSTICE MUNICIPAL CODE

  • Second: Trustee Kuban (Clarifies this adds 1 “f” license)
  • Yes: Kuban, Mills, Allen, Wasowicz
  • Abstain: Obrochta
  • NO: Rusch

  Trustee Rusch asked about complaints for a property and the mayor validated he has delegated the code enforcement officer to take care of it

**PUBLIC UTILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE:** Trustee Allen

  Any matters for the record including:

  No Report

**FINANCE & INSURANCE:** Trustee Kuban

  • Any matters for the record including:

  • **Trustee Kuban moved** To approve posted payables 1-19 of $54,137.57; Capital Projects expenses of $71,015.04, TIF#2 expenses of $165.00, TIF#4 expenses of $15,524.83 and Recurring Expenses of $28,914.12 for a total of $169,756.56

  2nd: Mills

  Yes: Kuban, Mills, Allen, Rusch, Obrochta

  Absent: Oszakiewski

  • **Trustee Kuban moved** To Approve ORDINANCE NO. 2019-38 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVYING, ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF TAXES FOR THE 2019 TAX YEAR OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

  2nd: Mills

  Yes: Kuban, Mills, Allen, Rusch, Obrochta

  Absent: Oszakiewski

  • Updates:

    o Clarified a 1.9% tax levy
    o Added her wished for a very Merry Christmas

**ADMIN, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION:** Trustee Mills

  • Any matters for the record including:

  • **Trustee Mills Postponed moving** To approve the quote from First Communications for a new telephone system for the Building Department, Public Works and Economic Development. The agreement will create a monthly cost of $522.11 plus tax and a one-time set up fee of $250.00

  • **TRUSTEE MILLS MOVED** To approve the hiring of a full time Accounting Clerk 2 for the finance Office.

  2nd: Kuban

  Yes: Kuban, Mills, Allen, Rusch, Obrochta

  Absent: Oszakiewski
TRUSTEE MILLS MOVED: To approve the hiring of a part-time Administrative Assistant for the Finance Office to work up to twenty (20) hours per week and to not exceed 1,000 hours per year with a schedule to be determined by the Village needs.

2nd: Kuban
Yes: Kuban, Mills, Allen, Rusch, Obrochta
Absent: Oszakiewski

Updates:
- The next committee meeting will be on Thursday 12/26 @ 6:30 pm
- Committee and Board meeting info by 12/20/19
- Fran thanked everyone for their help and attendance at Winter Wonderland

ATOREY’S REPORT: No report

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Rush read his prepared statement and asked it to be placed in the minutes:

Had I been a member of the audience I would have liked to ask the facilitator if he knew the telephone numbers, by heart, of all the people on his block as it would be as foolish as the question asked the audience members.

I was embarrassed to sit there and watch our concern residents treated with such disrespect in order to promote the all yes vote as necessary because the state created this foolish legislation in order to raise money for their relentlessly spending of tax dollars.

Make no mistake, this wasn’t about the state’s decisions or economic development but rather a quick grab for revenue. If we all have to listen to a half-truth lecture then please don’t lecture at all. Our residents deserve better.

Thank you.

Madam clerk I will be supplying you a copy for tonight’s minutes.
OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED:
Trustee Kuban reminded Trustee Rusch of an e-mail that had been sent regarding a new hire posting

NEW BUSINESS: Scheduling of Committee Meetings
FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Kuban
  • Any matters for the record including: Payables, Treasurer additions
ADMIN, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Mills
  • Any matters for the record including:
PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Obrochta
  • Any matters for the record including:
ECONOMIC DEV. & BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Rusch
  • Any matters for the record including:
BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Oszakiewski
  • Any matters for the record including:
PUBLIC UTILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE: Trustee Allen
  • Any matters for the record including:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:
Marty from EMA presented the village “STORM READY” Certifications. We are good for 3 more years-15 years and going

Trustee Rusch asked the Mayor to explain to the actions to be taken about the code violations that had been discussed earlier. The neighbors requesting action were in the audience.

POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE

ADJOURNMENT:
Mayor Wasowicz Called for Motion to adjourn
So Moved: Trustee Kuban
Second: Trustee Mills
All Ayes
Meeting adjourned @ 7:30 pm

Submitted By:
Suzanne Small
Village Clerk, Village of Justice