

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MARCH
Minutes of Monday, March 27, 2017

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

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Mayor Kris Wasowicz, Trustees: Rich Sparr, Rick Symonds, Melanie Kuban, Hank Oszakiewski and Sue Small. Trustee Rusch is absent with notice. Attorney Michael Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is present.

PLEDGE:

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

PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW THE 2017 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE:

Village Financial Consultant and Treasurer, Ms. Kelly Zabinski introduced and reviewed the Proposed Appropriation Ordinance for the Village of Justice, Cook County, Illinois, Fiscal Year 2017, beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2017.

Ms. Zabinski indicated that the current budget has a slight positive position and that a 5% buffer is built-in for unexpected expenses.

We are starting from a positive position as well, since there is a positive fund balance from last year.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

There were no questions.

Mayor Wasowicz thanked the board members for all their hard work putting together this challenging financial plan.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no questions from the public.

ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING:

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To Adjourn to the regular meeting.

SECOND: Trustee Small

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 Regular Board Meeting as submitted, or if necessary as corrected.

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

SECOND: Trustee Small

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

VILLAGE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

President Wasowicz had no formal report.

VILLAGE CLERK’S REPORT:

Clerk Kathy Svoboda had no formal report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Oszakiewski

Trustee Oszakiewski commented that there are no new businesses to approve this evening.

He sincerely complimented the Economic Development team of Matt Zarebczan, Brittany Abrams and Chamber of Commerce President, Orley Betcher for the outstanding job organizing the Business Appreciation Dinner at the Lipinski Community Center. Also, kudos to Monika Kumor, Brittany Abrams and Trustee Sue Small for the well-presented marketing presentation.

Approximately 30 businesses were represented at the event.

The Economic Planning Board will meet from 6:00 – 8:00 pm on Monday, April 17th to conduct a planning workshop to formulate a Strategic Marketing Plan for future development in Justice. All are welcome.

The Rosary Hill Spring Fundraiser at the Orland Chateau on Sunday, March 26th was a resounding success and a great time was had by all.

Lucky Penney’s will host a Grand Opening on Friday, April 21st from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Elected officials attending the ribbon cutting should be there at 5:30 pm.

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE – Trustee Symonds

Public Works Work Schedule for weeks of: March 13 to March 24, 2017

All Public Works employees attended the Pipeline Seminar on March 22, 2017

The street- sweeper was repaired by Cesar’s Equipment.

The Paver was sent to Casey Equipment for maintenance and repair.

A hydraulic hose was replaced on 5A.

Culvert repair was completed on 73rd & Blackstone.

There were numerous stop signs replaced.

Snow plowing occurred on March 12th and 13th.

Branches from the recent storm damage were picked up from numerous homes.

Due to the strong smell of natural gas in Wilkins School, the sewer lines were rodded around the school. It was determined that there had been a natural gas leak resulting in natural gas leaching into our sewer lines.

All vehicles are being prepped for summer.

MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To approve Resolution 2017-01, A Resolution Concerning Authorization to Apply for 2017 Community Development Block Grant Funds from Cook County, Illinois.

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

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

MOTION: Trustee Symonds Moves: To approve the award of a bid from National Power Rodding Corp, 2500 W. Arthington Street, Chicago, IL, 60612 in the amount of \$4,357.50 for the cleaning and televising of the sanitary sewers on 87th Ave and 80th Street, Justice, IL, in conjunction with the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program, Project #1606-016.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

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

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES – Trustee Rich Sparr

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To approve Ordinance #2017-09, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND DIRECTING THE PUBLICATION OF AN OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

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

Trustee Sparr and the Building Department staff continue to formulate a process for the blighted and vacant property requirements.

The Code Review Committee continues to proceed with the revisions to the Justice Village Code. Trustee Sparr added his own personal thanks to all that are participating.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Small for Trustee Ed Rusch Jr.

MOTION: Trustee Small Moves: To approve payables numbers 1-35 in the amount of \$27,076.84, recurring expenses of \$21,790.33 and MFT expenses of \$5933.43, TIF #5 expenses of \$472.50 and a Capital Projects expense of \$33,661.39, for a total of \$88,934.49.

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

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

MOTION: Trustee Small Moves: To approve Ordinance # 2017-10, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION FOR CORPORATE AND OTHER PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2017 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2017 IN THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE, ILLINOIS.

SECOND: Trustee Symonds

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

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION – Trustee Sue Small

Trustee Small reminded all that Scholarship Applications are being accepted from graduating seniors who reside in Justice and will attend college in the fall who wish to apply. Applications are also available on the website. The due date for applications is April 14th this year.

The next Food Pantry is scheduled here, at the village hall on Tuesday, April 18th, 2017 at 3:30 pm. Volunteers should arrive at 2:30 pm.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES – Trustee Melanie Kuban

Trustee Kuban commented that an informational meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday March 28th at the Justice Village Hall to provide another opportunity to learn more about the Roberts Park Fire Protection District Referendum.

Please attend in order to better understand the issue and to determine how you will vote on the Referendum at the Consolidated General Election being held on Tuesday, April 4th, to join, or not to join the Roberts Park Fire Protection District. An informational video is up on the village's website at www.villageofjustice.org.

The Senior Club will have the presentation provided on that same day, Tuesday, March 28th at their regularly scheduled meeting time.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney Mike Cainkar had no report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none of note.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Wednesday, April 5, 2017

7:00 pm

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Oszakiewski Discussion regarding requests for additional liquor licenses for Sandy Harris (Harris Management) and Gold Rush Gaming – 8017 w. 79th Street, Justice, and for William Beahan (Go-Lo) – 8755 W. 79th Street, Justice.

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE: Trustee Symonds Any matters before the committee including electric repairs to the fuel pumps.

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Sparr Any matters before the committee including maintenance to the travertine floor in the vestibule, updating the rear entry doors and replacement or repair of the Lipinski Center drainage piping.

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Rusch Posted payables and any other matters before the committee.

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Small Any matters before the committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Kuban Any matters before the committee.

Possible Executive Session:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Mike Perillo commented that he recently attended an Economic Planning Board Meeting and that he found the process to be enthusiastically and compassionately performed by all of the members.

Mr. Perillo added his personal congratulations to the Mayor, Clerk and board members on the ballot this election for their uncontested candidacy.

He offered his congratulations to Clerk Svoboda on her upcoming retirement and stated she has been a welcoming and constant presence and that she will be missed.

Rich Berkowicz, former village trustee, commented on the “Great new entry doors!”

ADJOURNMENT:

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

MOTION: Trustee Symonds so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Mayor Wasowicz announced that no business will be conducted following the closed session.

Meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 7:30 pm.

Meeting Reconvened at 8:05 pm.

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Small so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen M. Svoboda, Village Clerk