

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL  
SECOND REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL  
Minutes of Monday, April 24, 2017

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

**ROLL CALL:**

Clerk Kathy Svoboda called the roll. Present are Mayor Kris Wasowicz, Trustees: Rich Sparr, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban and Sue Small. Trustee Oszakiewski is absent on the business of the village. Trustee Symonds is attending electronically. 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.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the minutes of the April 10, 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 Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban and Small, aye. Motion passed.

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

President Wasowicz read a Proclamation into the record naming the week of May 7<sup>th</sup> to May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as Municipal Clerk's Week in the Village of Justice.

**VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:**

Clerk Kathy Svoboda had no formal report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE AND INSURANCE – Trustee Ed Rusch Jr.**

MOTION: Trustee Rusch Moves: To approve payables 1-27 in the amount of \$10,928.70, recurring expenses of \$139,713.00, MFT expenses of \$13,289.22, TIF #5 expenses of \$1,890.00 and capital projects expense of \$35,821.39 for a total of \$201,642.31.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

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

Trustee Rusch commented that the posted payables are those expenses that are budgeted for and requested by department heads. He went on to explain when MFT and TIF funds are used and what qualifies for Capital Projects. He is working with the Finance Department staff to provide the board a comparison of budget to expenditures for the first quarter of 2017.

**ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION – Trustee Sue Small**

- MOTION:** Trustee Small Moves: To approve sending four administrative employees to the Bridgeview/Justice Administrative Professional Day Luncheon at a cost of \$25.00 each attendee.
- SECOND:** Trustee Kuban
- VOTE:** Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch, Kuban and Small, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Small added that the Administrative Luncheon is held each year and our administrative employees take turns attending.

- MOTION:** Trustee Small Moves: To approve donating \$125.00 for a Community Sponsorship of the St. Fabian’s Family Festival being held in June.
- SECOND:** Trustee Sparr
- VOTE:** Trustees Symonds, Rusch, Kuban, Oszakiewski, Small and Sparr, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Small asked that Scholarship Applications be reviewed by all trustees to identify five tentative picks for awards. Everyone’s picks will be tallied at the next committee date.

Discussion surrounding the upgrade to Caselle will occur at the next committee meeting.

Trustee Small then asked that the DVN retract the statement in the newspaper quoting the price for the incoming Clerk’s laptop at \$41,360.00 instead of \$1,360.00 which was the actual cost.

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES – Trustee Melanie Kuban**

- MOTION:** Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve Ordinance 2017-12, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF JUSTICE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE MID-SOUTH COMM. ETSB.
- SECOND:** Trustee Small
- VOTE:** Trustees Small, Sparr, Symonds Rusch and Kuban, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

- MOTION:** Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of Justice, Village of Willow Springs and Village of Lyons establishing the Mid-South Comm. ETSB.
- SECOND:** Trustee Sparr
- VOTE:** Trustees Sparr, Symonds, Rusch Kuban and Small, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Kuban described a police call call that occurred on March 17<sup>th</sup> when officers were dispatched due to a domestic disturbance where a handicapped, 15 year-old youth was brandishing a knife and threatening his parents.

Our officers lured the youth to the garage where a tazer was utilized to subdue the youth safely and diffuse the situation.

The ongoing training of our officers is responsible for their good judgement and calm use of controlled force.

Body cams provided a clear picture of the events as they unfolded. We offer our sincere gratitude to these fine officers and the department, and also to Chief McDermott for his leadership and commitment to ongoing education for all of the officers.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Kuban for Trustee Oszakiewski**

**MOTION:** Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve the home occupation license of Root X Sewer & Drain to operate a home office for a Sewer Rodding & Drain business located at 7528 S. Oak Grove Avenue, Justice, being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

**SECOND:** Trustee Sparr

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

**MOTION:** Trustee Kuban Moves: To approve the business license of Dr. Green Thumb to operate a Landscape Business Office at 7859 S. Cronin Avenue, Justice, being in compliance with all codes and ordinances.

**SECOND:** Trustee Sparr

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

Lucky Penney's Grand Opening on Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 4:00 to 7:00 pm was a resounding success. Elected officials, employees of the establishment and the public joined together to give the new business a great start.

The Tollway will host an informational meeting tomorrow from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Lipinski Community Center to discuss their plans for the tollway improvements. All are welcome.

CMAP is offering FLIP (Future Leaders in Planning). High School students can apply to be included in planning exercises for the 2050 plan. Information is available on the website and on Facebook.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE – Trustee Small for Trustee Symonds**

Public Works Work Schedule for weeks of: April 10 to April 21, 2017

Chipping continues every Monday and Tuesday.

Several sewers were cleaned out.

Sewer solvent was utilized on 82<sup>nd</sup> and also on Marion Drive.

Trucks have been readied for summer.

Lawn-mowing equipment is prepared and ready for summer.

Grass-cutting has been done at various locations throughout town.

Maintenance was performed on several police vehicles. A few major repairs were required.

The Asphalt paver was repaired and serviced by Casey Equipment.

For many years there has been a problem with standing water on

83<sup>rd</sup> Street and 86<sup>th</sup> Court, this has finally been fixed.  
All brakes were replaced on Truck #2.  
Faded stop signs were replaced.  
All materials are gathered and ready for the repair to the fence around the Thomas Street Pond.  
Steering column and controls were repaired on chipper.

MOTION: Trustee Small Moves: To authorize Public Works Director Joe Cekus to advertise for and hire two part-time summer helpers contingent upon compliance with a background check and drug screen.  
SECOND: Trustee Kuban  
VOTE : Trustees Rusch, Kuban, Small, Sparr and Symonds, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

Trustee Rusch asked once again that Public Works be tasked with cleaning-up under the viaduct on Roberts Road at 87<sup>th</sup>. He reminded all that first impressions are very important and even though it may not be our responsibility, it is our problem.

#### **BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES – Trustee Rich Sparr**

MOTION: Trustee Sparr Moves: To approve Resolution 2017-03, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY’S ABANDONED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY MUNICIPAL RELIEF PROGRAM.  
SECOND: Trustee Kuban  
VOTE: Trustees Kuban, Small, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. All ayes. Motion passed.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT:  
Attorney Mike Cainkar had no formal report.

CORRESPONDENCE:  
There was none of note.

OLD BUSINESS:  
**President Wasowicz commented that due to increased complaints in the Wesley Fields area regarding sightings of rats, he is recommending legislation be prepared to tighten enforcement of rules for dumpsters and garbage cans to tightly regulate the maintaining of waste containers to insure the removal of any food source for the rodents.**

NEW BUSINESS: **Village of Justice  
President and Board of Trustees  
SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:  
Wednesday, May 3, 2017  
7:00 pm**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES:** Trustee Oszakiewski William Beahan of GoLo (Beahan Oil) will attend to discuss the possible creation of an additional Class B Liquor License.

**ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION:** Trustee Small  
Any matters before the committee including discussion of the changes to the chart of accounts, the upgrade to our government operating software and deciding on the scholarship winners.

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

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES:** Trustee Oszakiewski  
Any matters before the committee.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES:** Trustee Rick Symonds  
Update regarding progress of the Danhoff Park drainage and retaining wall repairs, the Street Resurfacing plans for 2017, zero-turn mower purchase, 2016 street resurfacing report, LED Street light installation progress, and other matters before the committee.

**BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES:** Trustee Sparr  
Any matters before the committee including maintenance to the travertine floor in the vestibule.

**FINANCE & INSURANCE:** Trustee Rusch  
Posted payables, review of the comparison of budget to expenditures for the first quarter and any other matters before the committee.

**Possible Executive Session:**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mr. Mike Maruszak thanked Public Works for replacing the badly faded stop sign on Terrace Drive.

Also Mike Maruszak thanked Trustees Ed Rusch and Rich Sparr for their assistance and support of the recent Honor Flight that Mike's Dad was a guest on.

Mr. Mike Perillo questioned an article that appeared in the Village View regarding as decrease in our General Fund due to spending.

Mr. Rusch stated that the fact is we spent \$110,000.00 more in the General Fund than we took in, in 2016. Because we have a surplus of more than one million dollars it was not an issue.

Mr. Perillo questioned once again our inability to require that the County clean the area under the viaduct.

Once again we explained that what we can do is limited. Matt Zarebczan added that a project by the county is in the works that will have a favorable effect on the area.

A larger TV is dumped on 81<sup>st</sup> Ave. around 8350. May we use grant funds to remove? Indeed we can't use the Abandoned Property Grant. A letter to the homeowner was sent to require removal of the TV.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn to Closed Session to discuss the Employment, Compensation or Evaluation of specific employees.

MOTION: Trustee Small so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban

VOICE VOTE: All ayes. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Meeting reconvened at 9:01 pm

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To Adjourn.

MOTION: Trustee Small so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Sparr

VOICE VOTE: All ayes.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kathleen M. Svoboda, Village Clerk