

VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7800 ARCHER ROAD, JUSTICE, IL
FIRST REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER
Monday, October 8, 2018

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Wasowicz led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Clerk Sue Small called the roll. All are present including President Wasowicz, Trustees: Rich Sparr, Rick Symonds, Ed Rusch, Melanie Kuban, Hank Oszakiewski and Karen Warner. Attorney Mike Cainkar of the firm of Louis F. Cainkar Ltd. is present. All department heads are present except for Finance Office Manager Margaret Garbacz who is absent with notice.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Wasowicz asked for questions or comments directly related to tonight's agenda.

A resident of Blazer Avenue questioned the disposition of the home next door to him at 7819 owned by Mr. Larry Faderer.

Attorney Cainkar explained that the property is scheduled for prove-up in court this Thursday and we expect to prevail. We will then have the authority to seek proposals for demolition from eligible contractors and eventually demolish the structure. The demolition should occur within 60 days from the acceptance of a bid. A demolition lien will be filed, and we will likely proceed to deed in lieu so that we may sell the property to recover our costs.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair will entertain a Motion: To approve the "revised" minutes of the September 24, 2018 board meeting as submitted or if necessary, as corrected.

MOTION: Trustee Sparr so Moves.

SECOND: Trustee Kuban with corrections.

The word commendation is still accommodation on the paper copy of the minutes, and Trustee Rusch's comment under Old Business about his reasoning for a vote are excluded.

Clerk Small has corrected the digital version will review the tape once more for any necessary additional corrections to the minutes.

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

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Mayor Wasowicz had no formal report this evening.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT:

Clerk Small had no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Kuban

Trustee Kuban asked Economic Development Director Matt Zarebczan to provide updates.

Matt Zarebczan provided these updates:

The Request for Proposals from developers for the property located at 8200 Cork Avenue was published in the Thursday, October 4, 2018 edition of the DesPlaines Valley news. Proposals are to be submitted directly to the Mayor by October 25, 2018.

The final plans for the Frontage Road Sidewalk Project have been submitted to IDOT for final review and comments on Friday, October 5, 2018. The Village is still on schedule for a March/April Letting. We anticipate construction to begin in June or July of 2019.

A meeting with the local municipalities, CMAP and Terra Engineering was held on Friday, September 28, 2018 for the I&M Canal Bike Trail Extension Project. Topics discussed were the selected alternative routes and the External Conditions Report which is currently a draft. CMAP has created a webpage, that has been linked to our website, that will soon provide information to the current planning progress.

The next Economic Planning Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 18th at 7:00PM. All are welcome to attend.

Trustee Oszakiewski asked where the request for proposals was published. It was published in the DesPlaines Valley News.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Sparr

Trustee Sparr complimented Director of Public Works Joe Cekus and his crew for laying 423 tons of asphalt on Cork Ave., an all-time record.

Bill Picman deserves special thanks for saving us nearly \$500.00 on scag equipment.

Also, Bradley Shearer, the new hire in Public Works seems to be fitting in nicely.

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Rusch

Trustee Rusch asked Attorney Cainkar to explain the upcoming court action for 8820 W. 84th Place. In court, the judge found in favor of the Village of Justice, fined Wells Fargo \$2,500.00 and ordered Wells Fargo to pay the village's legal fees and ordered that the property be demolished. WE are currently soliciting proposals for the demolition which should be reimbursed by the grant.

Regarding 8916 W. 86th Street, the property owner agreed to demolition and will give us deed to the property in lieu of foreclosure. It will take about three months to finalize and demolish and then we can sell or dispose of the property as we see fit.

Trustee Rusch questioned whether we could offer the property for sale at fair market value, and we may.

There are still some maintenance issues at the Lipinski Center. Trustee Rusch will work with the Building Commissioner to accomplish.

Trustee Rusch is considering proposing the hire of a handyman in the next budget year.

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Warner

MOTION: Trustee Warner Moves To approve posted payables 1-24 of \$9,310.62, Recurring Expenses of \$102,459.46, MFT expenses of \$4,499.98, and Capital Projects expenses of \$6,540.50 for a total of \$122,810.56

SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski

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

MOTION: Trustee Warner Moves: To accept the change in management of the ATM machine located in the parking lot of the Justice Village Hall to Meritran INC, no longer being sponsored by Bridgeview Bank.

SECOND: Trustee Rusch

VOTE: Trustees Rusch, Oszakiewski, Warner, Sparr and Symonds, aye. Trustee Kuban voted no. Motion passed.

ADMINISTRATION, COMMUNICATION & RECREATION: Trustee Oszakiewski

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the donation of \$100.00 to the Justice Seniors Club to help support their organization.

SECOND: Trustee Rusch

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

To welcome the public with a well-maintained village hall for the upcoming Winter Wonderland festivities, we need to accomplish some additional housecleaning tasks.

MOTION: Trustee Oszakiewski Moves: To approve the proposal from Bloomingtree Facility, LLC to complete “deep cleaning” at the Village Hall for three specific projects: Carpets @ \$300.00, All-Purpose room bathrooms @ 130.00 and woodwork/walls in board room at \$350.00.

SECOND Trustee Kuban

Trustee Kuban seconded with discussion.

Trustee Kuban commented that Bloomingtree has been unresponsive to requests for additional cleaning or correcting of identified deficiencies. She feels these issues need to be addressed before adding to their undertakings for the village.

Mayor Wasowicz added that he feels the extra tasks should wait until after the event.

VOTE: Trustees Oszakiewski, Warner, Sparr, Symonds and Rusch, aye. Trustee Kuban voted no. Motion passed.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Rick Symonds

Trustee Symonds commented that we are in receipt of two IGA’s (agreements) regarding the Roberts Park Fire Protection District and the Village.

One is a repayment agreement and the other addresses continuing use of the village's fire station by RPPFD with a lease agreement.

The District's board has not ratified the agreements yet but will entertain tomorrow at their regular board meeting.

We will entertain at the next regular board meeting.

Trustee Symonds added that since taxpayers purchased and support the village hall building and purchased and support all structures and equipment for RPPFD, the lease amount for the station will be a mere \$1.00.

In the event the village would lease public property at a profit, our property tax exempt status would be at risk.

ATTORNEYS' REPORT:

Attorney Mike Cainkar had no formal report.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was none.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Sparr added that he agrees we must make sure that Bloomingtree does their best work at the Lipinski Center. Little extra tasks that make the facility most welcoming to our renters for their events must be performed.

Trustee Oszakiewski will speak to them.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Wednesday, October 17, 2018

PUBLIC UTILITIES: Trustee Sparr
Any matters before the committee

BUILDINGS, ZONING AND ORDINANCES: Trustee Rusch
Any matters before the committee including
Information on the results of the demolition hearings

FINANCE & INSURANCE: Trustee Warner
Any matters before the committee including Posted payables

ADMIN, COMMUNICATIONS & RECREATION: Trustee Oszakiewski
Any matters before the committee including a reminder regarding Caselle training on
October 20 and a first discussion for Winter Wonderland

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Trustee Symonds
Any matters before the committee including the IGA's

ECONOMIC DEV. & BUSINESS LICENSES: Trustee Kuban
Any matters before the committee

John Bruce, Chairperson of Zoning and Third Millennium will be attending with information to the board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ray and Donna Haebel generously pledged \$1500.00 toward the Winter Wonderland Event earmarked toward providing heated tents.

ADJOURNMENT: President Wasowicz called for a Motion to Adjourn.

Trustee Warner requested an Executive Session: To discuss probable or imminent litigation against the village by E&S Restoration as supported by a letter from an attorney received by the village on or about September 21st, 2018.
The Chair entertains a motion to adjourn to Executive Session.

MOTION: Trustee Warner so Moves
SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
VOTE: All ayes.
Meeting Adjourned at 8:02 pm

The meeting reconvened at 9:30 pm
MOTION: The chair entertained a motion to adjourn
Trustee Warner so Moves
SECOND: Trustee Oszakiewski
VOTE: All ayes.
Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathleen M. Svoboda, Deputy Village Clerk
