

Regular Meeting of the President and Board of Trustees - Wed., 6/26 /19 at 7 pm

Officials: Mayor Thomas A. Brown, Administrator Lazuka and Clerk Minnis

Roll Call: Trustees Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, Smith & Ortiz were present [Tr. Forte was absent].

Guests: PD Chief Janich, PW Supt. King, J. Hale, J. Thompson, H. Kearns, Ms. Mari-Kathleen Zaraza & Mr. Novak, Mr. Walt Hinton, Louie Dutka & Linda, and S. Slobowski.

Invocation & Pledge. After a moment of silent prayer, the Mayor lead everyone present in the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes: Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to approve the minutes of the 6/12/19 regular meeting. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].

Reports of Village Officials:

Mayor's Report:

- 1) **ORDINANCE 91-01; Sale by Auction of excess property.** Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to approve Ordinance 19-1 approving the sale by auction of the 2013 PD Ford Explorer. Roll Call: Trustees Ortiz, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, & Smith voted aye. Mtn. carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].
- 2) **ORDINANCE 91-02; Create OFFICE OF DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF**
A brief discussion on the need for a Chief of Administration and Operations. Trustees Ortiz and Ewan made the motions to approve Ord. 91-02. Roll Call: Trustees Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, Smith and Ortiz voted aye. Motions carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].
- 3) **Ordinance 19-03; Creating a 24 hr. Liquor License.** Item #3 was pulled from Agenda.

Clerk: No report.

Administrator:

- 1) **Request from SSHC for annual sponsorship.** The So. Sub. Housing Coalition asked the Village for their sponsorship. Brief discussion. Trustees Smith and Ortiz made the motions to approve continuing our annual \$500.00 sponsorship of this worthy organization. Roll Call: Trustees Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, Smith and Ortiz voted aye. Motions carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].

- 2) **PD request to purchase radios.** The radios in current use are obsolete. PD is currently in Network 3. Chief Janich spoke of the need to replace six (6) radios at a cost of \$31,175.00. Trustees Smith and Ortiz made the motions to approve the purchase. Roll Call: Trustees Ortiz, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, & Smith aye. Motions carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].
- 3) **Approval of IHIA 3 day training for Officer Tuley.** Chief Janich said the Major Crimes Task Force training is mandatory. Cost for the 3-day Conf. in Itasca is \$225.00. Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to approve the Oct. 15-17 Conference @ \$225.00, and hotel and meals for Officer Tuley. Roll Call: Trustees Ortiz, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, & Smith aye. Motions carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].
- 4) **Request/Approval to upgrade electric for new server.** Bids were solicited. After review, the proposal of Midwestern Electric at \$2,295.00 was selected to upgrade the electric in the Police Department. Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to approve Midwestern Electric at \$2,295.00. Roll Call: Trustees Ortiz, Kearns, Johnson, Ewan, & Smith aye. Motions carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].

Request for add'l. signage for the DayCare. Copies of the proposed signs was distributed to board members. The proposed sign for the front of building does not meet our Code. Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to deny Banner #1 for the front of the building and approve Banner #2 and the feather flags for installation on the fence. All trustees present were in favor. Mtn. carried. [Trustee Forte was absent]

OPEN TO VISITORS:

Trustees Smith & Johnson made the motions to open this segment of the meeting to visitors. All trustees present were in favor. [Trustee Forte was absent] Time: 7:25 pm

Ms. Mari Kathleen Zarage & Mr. Novak approached the Board. Ms. Zarage said her client is in the process of purchasing the property at 1212 W. 175th St. . Property is currently zoned single family residential with non -conforming use with 2 homes and 1 garage on it. Her client, Mr. Novak, will re-hab them. After discussion, Mayor Brown said he was not adverse to re-zoning the property. He advised Ms. Zaraza to seek a variance for a Public Hearing Meeting before the Zoning Board of Appeals. Ms. Zaraza could pick up the ZBA application at the Clerk's office. The application has a fee to cover publication, etc. giving neighbors the opportunity to give input at the Public Hearing Meeting.

Louis Dutka, Jr. of 1527 W. 172nd st. asked if Mayor Brown has received a response from the railroad relative to the Petition he submitted asking the Railroad for a Privacy Fence. Mayor Brown responded he had been contacted by Washington and they have referred it to local agency. Mr. Dutka also said that between 2-4 pm there have been cyclists with cell phones traveling thru the village.

Stan Slobowski of 17216 Loomis asked 'what's going on at the restaurant on Center'. Mayor Brown responded a contractor's looking at the building - possibly to re-hab it.

CLOSE: There being no other input, Trustees Ortiz & Smith made the motions to Close this segment of the meeting; all trustees were in favor. Mtn., carried. Time: 7:38 pm.

Streets: Trustee Forte was absent.

Finance/License: 1) Trustees Kearns & Johnson made the motions to approve payment of all bills on Claims Sheets dated 6/26/19 in the amount of \$22,759.74. Roll Call: Trustees Johnson, Ewan, Smith, Ortiz, and Kearns voted aye. Motions carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].

2) Bus. Lic. Application: Geo's Auto Body, Inc.- 925 W. 171st.

Mr. Walt Hinton spoke to the Board about his business – restoration of vehicles. There will be no storage of 'junk cars' in front or on the side of the building. Trustees Trustee Kearns and Smith made the motions to approve the license. Trustees Johnson, Ewan, Smith, Ortiz, and Kearns voted aye. Motions carried. [Tr. Forte was absent].

Signs/Maintenance/Construction: Trustee Johnson reported he will commence inspection of all signs within the village.

Health/Safety/Personnel: Trustee Ewan had nothing to report.

Water/Sewer: No report by Trustee Smith.

Police/Fire: Trustee Ortiz read the report of PD activities during the month of May. This report will be on file in the Clerk's office.

Old Business: Trustee Kearns spoke of the condition of the Kardaleff property - the back of 1307 W. 174th St. – condition of driveway – mail box falling down, etc. Grant has sent letters to the owner.

New Business: none

Announcement: none

Executive Session: Trustees Ortiz and Smith made the motions to go into Executive Session to discuss employment/dismissal. All trustees were in favor. Mtn.carried. Time: 7:58 pm.

Reconvene to Regular Executive: Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to reconvene to regular session. All trustees were in favor. Mtn. carried. [Tr. Forte was absent] Time: 8:10 pm.

Adjournment: Trustees Smith & Ortiz made the motions to adjourn. All trustees were in favor. [Tr. Forte was absent] Mtn. carried. Time: 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Helon M. Minnis
Village Clerk