

1 VILLAGE OF ALSIP  
2 MINUTES OF  
3 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
4 September 2, 2008  
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6 Mayor Kitching called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll and the  
7 following were present: Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk, Godfrey, McGreal and Michaels,  
8 Mayor Kitching, Clerk Venhuizen and Village Attorney Paul Stephanides.  
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10 Mayor Kitching opened the meeting to Jack Carlson, Chairman of the Board of Fire and Police  
11 Commissioners. Mr. Carlson reported the following are the expiration dates for the Fire and  
12 Police Eligibility lists for Patrol Officer (May 18, 2009), Firefighter/Paramedic (June 11, 2009)  
13 and Fire Lieutenant (July 25, 2009). Mr. Carlson explained that logistically, the commission is  
14 unable to schedule and manage the events of these exams to meet current expiration dates, and  
15 requested approval to extend the expiration date of the current Firefighter/Paramedic Eligibility  
16 list from June 11, 2009 to June 11, 2010.  
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18 Mr. Carlson reported the current Patrol Officer Eligibility list is close to running out of  
19 candidates, and the Board will strive to schedule the events for this exam so as to meet the new  
20 posting on May 19, 2009.  
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22 Mr. Carlson requested extension of the expiration date of the current Fire Lieutenant Eligibility  
23 list from July 25, 2009 to February of 2010. This is due to the Firefighter Promotional Act-  
24 Amended House Bill (HB) 988, P.A. 893-9411. This new law mandates that the eligibility  
25 requirements for the promotion process must be published at least one year prior to the beginning  
26 of a promotional testing process to ensure that all members of the department are afforded an  
27 equal opportunity to meet those eligibility requirements.  
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29 Mr. Carlson also requested the Board consider rescinding the residency requirement for police  
30 and fire employees in order to increase the number and quality of applicants.  
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32 MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching read a Proclamation declaring appreciation to the Alsip  
33 Fire Department and the Dow Chemical Company for partnering together to provide firefighters  
34 in the Village of Alsip and neighboring fire departments with a fire training tower to perform  
35 specialized training activities. The following were also included in the proclamation for their  
36 contribution in the construction of this fire training tower: Admiral Steel, Central Contractors  
37 Service, Inc., IBEW-NECA and Electrical Apprentices, Illinois Fire Sprinklers Association,  
38 Village of Alsip – Public Works, The Lombard Company, Blue Island Equipment Rental, Fox  
39 Home Center, GEM Electric, Ozinga Group, Walsh Construction, Wigboldy Excavating.  
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41 CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen presented Judy DeLuise with a Certificate of  
42 Appreciation and a gift certificate for twenty years of dedicated service to the Village of Alsip.  
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44 Clerk Venhuizen reported a bid opening for the Fire Rescue vehicle was held on August 28,  
45 2008 at 3:45 p.m. and the bids were referred to committee for review.  
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47 ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Stephanides reported he will be conducting a class at the  
48 Illinois Municipal Review Convention in September.  
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50 ENGINEER REPORT: No report.

51 FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented a list of bills dated August 25, 2008 totaling  
52 \$612,193.15. Trustee Graczyk reported a Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for  
53 September 15, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.  
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55 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: No report.

56 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented a request for approval to hire  
57 one replacement police officer from the current eligibility list due to an unexpected resignation.  
58 This was previously approved by consensus at the August 18, 2008 Board meeting.  
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60 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee McGreal presented a request for  
61 approval to contract with Semford Management & Construction, the lowest bidder, for the  
62 Sidewalk Replacement Program. The cost is not to exceed \$5.25 per square foot or  
63 \$52,480.00 for the replacement of ten thousand square feet of sidewalk located at various  
64 locations throughout the Village of Alsip.  
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66 Board of Trustees meeting  
67 September 2, 2008  
68 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: No report.  
69 HEALTH & POLLUTION: No report.  
70 SEWER & WATER: No report.  
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72 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Collins presented a list of licenses dated August 25, 2008.  
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74 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: No report.  
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76 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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78 VILLAGE PROPERTY: No report.  
79 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: No report.  
80 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: No report.  
81 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT: No report.  
82 BOAT LAUNCH: No report.  
83 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS: None.

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85 Mayor Kitching asked for any item to be removed from the Consent Agenda; there were none.  
86 CONSENT AGENDA

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88 A. Approval of minutes of August 18, 2008 Board meeting.  
89 B. Approval of minutes of August 25, 2008 Committee meeting.  
90 C. Approval of a list of bills dated August 25, 2008, totaling \$612,193.15.  
91 D. Approval of list of licenses dated August 25, 2008.  
92 E. Approval to hire one replacement police officer from the current eligibility list due to an  
93 unexpected resignation. This was previously approved by consensus at the August 18,  
94 2008 Board meeting.  
95 F. Approval to contract with Semford Management & Construction, the lowest bidder, for  
96 the Sidewalk Replacement Program. The cost is not to exceed \$5.25 per square foot or  
97 \$52,480.00 for the replacement of ten thousand square feet of sidewalk located at various  
98 locations throughout the Village of Alsip.  
99 G. Acceptance of committee reports as presented.

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101 Motion by Trustee Graczyk to accept the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee  
102 Godfrey. Roll Call #1: Voting "aye": Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk, Godfrey, McGreal and  
103 Michaels. Motion carried.

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105 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.  
106 NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Collins reported receiving several phone calls from residents asking  
107 why the water ban was not being enforced. Following brief discussion Mayor Kitching reported  
108 he will discuss excess water usage with the Water Commissioner.

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110 PUBLIC INPUT: Mayor Kitching asked for comments from the public; there were none.

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112 EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Trustee Godfrey to move into closed session to discuss  
113 collective negotiating matters; seconded by Trustee McGreal. Roll Call #2: Voting "aye":  
114 Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk, Godfrey, McGreal and Michaels. Motion carried at 7:45  
115 p.m..

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117 Mayor Kitching called the meeting back to order.

118 ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee Godfrey to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Michaels.  
119 Motion carried at approximately 8:55 p.m.

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121 Respectfully submitted,

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124 Deborah Venhuizen  
125 Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois