

VILLAGE OF ALSIP  
MINUTES OF  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
November 16, 2009

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6 Mayor Kitching called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll with the  
7 following in attendance: Trustees Shapiro, Godfrey, McGreal, Michaels, Daddona and Quinn,  
8 Village Attorney Sue Glover and Mayor Kitching.

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10 Mayor Kitching and Canine Officer Chad Rezny, along with Canine Eddie, presented the  
11 Arnabdi Naranjo, owner of Pet Smart, with a plaque of appreciation for all the respective  
12 donations of feed to the Alsip Police Department Canine Program.

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14 MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching reported Senate Bill 1894, the Home Foreclosure Bill, is  
15 waiting for the Governor's signature. Under SB 1894 municipalities would be sent two notices.  
16 The first notice would be the address of the property and the identity of the mortgage holder.  
17 Following the sale of the property a second notice would be sent to the municipality. This notice  
18 would list the purchaser of the property along with their contact information. SB 1894 also  
19 provides for a uniform method of filing a lien to recover the costs of removing certain nuisances  
20 that contribute to the property falling into a state of disrepair.

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22 Mayor Kitching thanked Mary Schmidt, Chamber of Commerce, for conducting a very  
23 successful Economic Summit at the Double Tree Hotel.

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25 CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen presented: a) The October, 2009 MFT allotment in the  
26 amount of \$33,233.79. b) Request for approval to close the Village Hall on Saturday, December  
27 26, 2009 and Saturday, January 2, 2010 for the long Christmas and New Year weekend. This will  
28 affect one clerk in the Building Dept. and one clerk in the Clerk's Office. They will work the full  
29 scheduled week prior to the holidays – with no time lost. c) Report that the Clerk's Office is  
30 promoting the collection of coats and outerwear and new toys. All items collected will be  
31 distributed through the Worth Township "Christmas Care" Program. Donation boxes will be  
32 located in the lobby of the Village Hall until December 12<sup>th</sup>. d) Reminder that there will be no  
33 Board meeting next week, November 23, 2009 – due to there being five Monday's in November.  
34 The next Board Committee meeting will be November 30, 2009.

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36 ATTORNEY REPORT: No report.

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38 ENGINEER REPORT: Village Engineer, Tom Lang, reported bids were opened for the second  
39 phase of the 115<sup>th</sup> Street Lighting Project and Hector & Company was the lowest, qualified  
40 bidder. There were sixteen bidders and bid came in at \$100,000 less than estimates.

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42 FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Godfrey presented: a) Request for approval of a list of bills dated  
43 November 9, 2009 totaling \$880,723.93. b) Request for approval of an Ordinance Adopting a  
44 New Section 2-7 ("Payments for Village Transactions") to Chapter 2 ("Administration"), Article  
45 I ("In General") of the Municipal Code for the Village of Alsip

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47 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Michaels presented: a) Request for approval of  
48 holiday pay for the fiscal year 2009/2010 in the amount of \$36,110.32. b) Request for approval  
49 for the Fire & Police Commission to begin the testing process for the position of  
50 firefighter/paramedic. The current eligibility list expires in June 2010. c) Letter of appreciation  
51 from Sandra Fisher for the Fire Department's quick response to her mother's recent accident.

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53 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) Informational warning:  
54 When snowfall is over one inch, vehicles parked on primary snow routes will be ticketed and  
55 towed. When snowfall is over three inches, vehicles will be ticketed and towed on all streets.  
56 b) Presentation that the Alsip Police Department has reinstated the accredited level of reporting  
57 as well as beginning the process of updating the department procedure manual. c) Presentation of  
58 the Alsip Police Department's October monthly report. d) Presentation of crimerports.com by  
59 Brian Massari, Technical Services employee and Lt. Scott Zblotner of the Alsip Police  
60 Department. Funding for this program could be through seizure monies or donations.

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69 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee McGreal presented: a) The October 2009  
70 Monthly Report. b) Report from Vince Cullen that on the morning of October 27<sup>th</sup>, the Public  
71 Works Department hosted a meeting at the Village Hall that included twenty of the twenty-one  
72 communities that are members of the Southwest Conference of Mayors. The purpose of the  
73 meeting was to discuss forming a purchasing cooperative for road salt, guaranteeing reduced  
74 costs. Initially, Ozinga Company showed an interest in acting as a central depository (storage  
75 yard) for the 50,000 tons of salts required to meet the needs of the member communities.  
76 Unfortunately, Ozinga had a change of heart and decided not to participate which places the  
77 future of the program in jeopardy.

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79 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) Request for approval of a  
80 Resolution Approving the Sale of Woodland Court Apartments Pursuant to a Regulatory  
81 Agreement. The Village Attorney explained the Village is a party to an Amended and Restated  
82 Declaration of Restrictive Covenants and Regulatory Agreement dated November 1, 1993. The  
83 current owner desires to sell and transfer the properties and The Regulatory Agreement requires  
84 the Village to approve the sale and transfer of Woodland Court Apartments. b) Request for  
85 approval for a public sale to be held at At Home America, 5625 W. 115<sup>th</sup> Street, Alsip, to be held  
86 every Friday from 10am to 7pm, November 20, 2009 through December 18, 2009. c) The  
87 October 2009 monthly report.

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89 HEALTH & POLLUTION: Trustee Daddona reported: a) In support of Advocate Christ  
90 Hospital's Community Program the Clerk's Office has set up a donation box in the lobby of the  
91 Village Hall to collect needed items for South Suburban Pads shelters through December 6,  
92 2009.

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94 SEWER & WATER: Trustee Godfrey presented the Sewer & Water October 2009 Activity  
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97 Trustee Godfrey reported the original intent to table the request for approval of the bid submitted  
98 by Mid-America Underground LLC, Aurora, Illinois for the Calumet Sag Channel Water Main  
99 Project is changed because of notification received from MWRD that Alsip's project has been  
100 placed on their November 19, 2009 agenda. Trustee Godfrey recommended the Board accept the  
101 bid from Mid-America Underground LLC, pending MWRD approval of the easement. Trustee  
102 Quinn voiced disapproval with moving the project forward too quickly and accepting the sole  
103 bid. Trustee Godfrey explained this project has been in the workings for several months and  
104 because of the technicalities involved it was not surprising to receive only one bid.

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106 Following discussion, Trustee Godfrey made a motion to approve the bid submitted by Mid-  
107 America Underground LLC, Aurora, Illinois, in the amount of \$1,399,094.00 for the directional  
108 boring of a 30" diameter water main under the Calumet-Sag Channel adjacent to 127<sup>th</sup> Street,  
109 pending approval of an easement by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Chicago;  
110 seconded by Trustee Shapiro. Roll #1: Voting "aye": Trustees Shapiro, Godfrey, McGreal,  
111 Michaels and Daddona. Voting "nay": Trustee Quinn. Motion carried 5-1.

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113 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented: a) Request for approval of a list of licenses dated  
114 November 16, 2009.

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116 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: Trustee Michaels presented: a) Request for approval of an  
117 Ordinance Amending the Special Uses in the I-2 Industrial – Medium District to Add Permitted  
118 Uses in the B-2 Business District as Special Uses. b) Request for approval of an Ordinance  
119 Granting a Special Use Permit for the Property Located at 5420 West 122<sup>nd</sup> Street in the Village  
120 of Alsip.

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122 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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124 VILLAGE PROPERTIES: Trustee Michaels presented: a) An update from Rodger Early on  
125 boiler replacement at Heritage II. Trico has completed eight buildings all of which have been  
126 inspected by the State Fire Marshall. The first two buildings were completed with boiler and  
127 water storage tanks and were inspected and approved by the State Fire Marshall. Trico is  
128 scheduled to complete this project prior to their deadline.

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134 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: Trustee McGreal reported the results of the Insurance Committee  
135 meeting held November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009, as follows: 1) Insurance Appeal; reviewed and discussed a  
136 pre-certification appeal. Appeal denied. 2) Legislation; discussion held on the new Mental Health  
137 Parity Law, a federal mandate effective May 1, 2010. The committee has four options to consider  
138 before making a recommendation to the Board. 3) Workmen's Compensation Renewal; figures  
139 will be submitted later. 4) Preliminary budget.

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141 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: Trustee Godfrey presented: a) Request for approval of an  
142 Ordinance Adopting a New Article XVI ("Freedom of Information Act") to Chapter 2  
143 ("Administration") of the Alsip Municipal Code Regarding the Release of Public Records. This  
144 Ordinance is to comply with the new laws regarding the Freedom of Information Act.

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146 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT: No report.

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148 BOAT LAUNCH: No report.

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150 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS: None.

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152 Mayor Kitching asked if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda; there  
153 were none.

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155 CONSENT AGENDA

- 156 A. Approval of minutes of November 2, 2009 Board meeting.  
157 B. Approval of minutes of November 9, 2009 Committee meeting.  
158 C. Approval of a list of bills dated November 9, 2009 totaling \$880,723.93.  
159 D. Approval of a list of licenses dated November 9, 2009.  
160 E. Approval of an ORDINANCE ADOPTING A NEW SECTION 2-7  
161 ("PAYMENTS FOR VILLAGE TRANSACTIONS") TO CHAPTER 2  
162 ("ADMINISTRATION"), ARTICLE I ("IN GENERAL") OF THE MUNICIPAL  
163 CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF ALSIP. **Ordinance No. 2009-11-2.**  
164 F. Approval of an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SPECIAL USES IN THE I-2  
165 INDUSTRIAL MEDIUM DISTRICT TO ADD PERMITTED USES IN THE B-2  
166 BUSINESS DISTRICT AS SPECIAL USES. **Ordinance No. 2009-11-152-3.**  
167 G. Approval of an ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR  
168 THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5420 WEST 122<sup>ND</sup> STREET IN THE  
169 VILLAGE OF ALSIP. **Ordinance No. 2009-11-152-4.**  
170 H. Approval of an ORDINANCE ADOPTING A NEW ARTICLE XVI  
171 ("FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT") TO CHAPTER 2  
172 ("ADMINISTRATION") OF THE ALSIP MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING  
173 THE RELEASE OF PUBLIC RECORDS. **Ordinance No. 2009-11-5.**  
174 I. Approval of a RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALE OF WOODLAND  
175 COURT APARTMENTS PURSUANT TO A REGULATORY AGREEMENT  
176 **Resolution No. 2009-11-R-3.**  
177 J. Acceptance of the October 2009 IDOT MFT allotment totaling \$33,233.79.  
178 K. Approval to close the Village Hall on Saturday, December 26, 2009 and Saturday,  
179 January 2, 2010 for the long Christmas and New Year weekend.  
180 L. Approval of Fire Dept. holiday pay for the fiscal year 2009/2010 in the amount of  
181 \$36,110.32.  
182 M. Approval for the Fire & Police Commission to begin the testing process for the  
183 position for firefighter/paramedic.  
184 N. Approval for a public sale to be held at At Home America, 5625 W. 115<sup>th</sup> Street,  
185 Alsip, to be held every Friday from 10am to 7pm, November 20, 2009 through  
186 December 18, 2009.  
187 O. Acceptance of committee reports as presented.

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189 Motion by Trustee Michaels to accept the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee  
190 Shapiro. Roll #2: Voting "aye": Trustees Shapiro, Godfrey, McGreal, Michaels, Daddona and  
191 Quinn. Motion carried.

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200 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

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202 NEW BUSINESS: None.

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204 EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Trustee Shapiro to enter into closed session to discuss the  
205 appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific  
206 employees of the public body and collective bargaining issues; seconded by Trustee Michaels.  
207 Roll #2: Voting "aye": Trustees Shapiro, Godfrey, McGreal, Michaels, Daddona and Quinn.  
208 Motion carried.

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210 Mayor Kitching reconvened the meeting and called for a motion to adjourn.

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212 ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee Michaels to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Godfrey.

213 Motion carried at approximately 9:12 p.m.

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215 Respectfully submitted,

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Deborah Venhuizen

220 Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois