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VILLAGE OF ALSIP
MINUTES OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
September 6, 2011

Mayor Kitching called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll with the following in attendance: Trustees Shapiro, Daddona, Quinn, Dalzell, Ryan, and Mayor Kitching. Also present Attorney Todd Hayden. Absent: Trustee McGreal.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching presented: a) Proclamation for Constitution Week 2011; September 17, 2011 marks the 224th anniversary of the drafting of the United States Constitution of the United States of America, and in honor of this event September 17th – September 23rd is declared Constitution Week. b) Village President Patrick E. Kitching Veto Message, which read in part; By the authority vested in me as the Village President of the Village of Alsip, I return without my approval Ordinance Number 2011-8-2 approved at the Village Board Meeting of August 15, 2011 titled, "Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Administration, By Adding Article XVII, Legal Department, to the Municipal Code for the Village of Alsip, Illinois." I veto this Ordinance because it was never discussed by the Board as a proper agenda item and vetted at a public meeting; never discussed at an Ordinance and Legislation Committee meeting; the citizens of Alsip did not have an opportunity to discuss with the Trustees; possible use of this legislative counsel to attempt to usurp the powers of the Mayor's office and change the Village's form of government; ongoing concern for the Village and for the Trustees themselves; the negative impact on the finances of the Village, with the current Village financial constraints we cannot afford additional legal costs for services already provided by the village attorney. The use of legislative counsel means two law firms will be paid to perform the same job. There is also the question of how in good conscience can this Board negotiate with Labor Unions while expending limited funds in such an arbitrary manner. Additionally, there were no monies appropriated in this year's budget, and based on past history, monies were allocated for only one legal firm.

CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen presented: a) Report the IDOT Motor Fuel Tax Allotment for July, 2011, in the amount of \$42,121.26. b) July, 2011 Freedom of Information Report totaling eleven requests. c) Request for approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Release of Certain Closed Session Minutes.

ATTORNEY REPORT: No report.

ENGINEER REPORT: Tom Lang, Village Engineer, reported: a) The 128th Place Street Reconstruction Project started today, and weather permitting this project should end in a month. b) Next Monday there will be a bid opening for two small water main location improvements; one along Pulaski and one near Avers Avenue.

PUBLIC FORUM: Mayor Kitching asked for any input from the public; there was none.

FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) Request for approval of a list of bills dated September 6, 2011 totaling \$876,966.43. b) Request for approval of an equipment loan in the amount of \$73,035, with First Midwest Bank at 3.28% for three years, for financing of the new Ambulance Re-Chassis. c) Request for approval of the recommendation of Robbins Schwartz Lifton & Taylor, Inc. concerning five PTAB (tax) appeals for 2009. Trustee Quinn requested a change in the wording of Line I on the Consent Agenda, to read "approving the intervention of four of the five PTAB tax appeals for 2009 by Robbins Schwartz Lifton & Taylor, Inc."

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Dalzell presented: a) Request for approval to replace the Fire Department SCBA units and equipment with Scott brand, and to waive the bidding requirement and award the contract to Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. (MES), using a lease to purchase program. b) Request for approval to purchase a 2012 Ford Explorer in accordance with the capital plan and vehicle replacement schedule, at a total cost of \$28,023. Trustee Dalzell tabled this item for further discussion. c) Thank you letter from William J. Sheehy III, Chief, Midlothian Fire Department, thanking the Alsip Fire Department for assistance with a structure fire on west 147th Street that resulted in quick extinguishment of the fire and limited damage.

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66 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Daddona presented: a) The July, 2011 monthly report.
67 b) Request for approval to purchase two budgeted squad cars supplemented by the purchase of two
68 additional squad cars out of seizure monies.

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70 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented: a) The July, 2011 monthly
71 report. b) Request for approval to advertise for bid for the 2011 Annual Sidewalk Replacement Program.

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73 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: No report.

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75 HEALTH & POLLUTION: No report.

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77 SEWER & WATER: Trustee Ryan presented: a) Request for approval of a renewal of the City of
78 Chicago water supply agreement/contract under the same terms and conditions for an additional 10 year
79 term (through December 31, 2021), to become effective upon the Village's acknowledgement of the
80 City of Chicago notice; and authorization for the Mayor and Clerk to sign the agreement/contract when
81 Chicago delivers them to the Village. b) Request to approve the award of the contract for the North
82 Reservoir Water Pumping Station, 117th & Karlov, to the lowest qualified bidder, Gaskill & Walton
83 Construction Company for the bid amount of \$2,689,050.00; as recommended by Robinson Engineering
84 and the Alsip Water Commissioner. Bid opening was held August 15, 2011.

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86 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented: a) Request for approval of a list of licenses dated August
87 29, 2011.

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89 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: No report.

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91 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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93 VILLAGE PROPERTIES: Trustee Ryan presented: a) Request for approval of an Ordinance
94 Authorizing the Sale of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Alsip.

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96 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: No report.

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98 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: No report.

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100 IT REPORT: Trustee Dalzell reported: a) An IT Committee meeting will be scheduled to discuss the
101 previous proposal for the Board agenda/minutes project. Comments or suggestions should be submitted
102 to the Committee.

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104 BOAT LAUNCH: Trustee Quinn reported: a) At the end of the season there was an increase in usage
105 and revenues at the Boat Launch.

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107 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS: None.

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109 CONSENT AGENDA

110 Mayor Kitching asked if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda; Trustee Quinn
111 removed Item F.

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113 Motion by Trustee Dalzell to establish the Consent Agenda as modified; seconded by Trustee Shapiro.

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115 CONSENT AGENDA

- 116 A. Approval of minutes of August 15, 2011 Board meeting.
117 B. Approval of minutes of August 29, 2011 Committee meeting.
118 C. Approval of a list of bills dated September 6, 2011, totaling **\$876,966.43**.
119 D. Approval of a list of licenses dated August 29, 2011.
120 E. Approval of an ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF ITEMS OF PERSONAL
121 PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF ALSIP. **Ordinance No. 2011-9-1**.
122 F. ~~Approval of a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF CERTAIN CLOSED~~
123 ~~SESSION MINUTES.~~ (removed)

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- G. Acceptance of the IDOT Motor Fuel Tax Allotment for July, 2011 in the amount of \$42,121.26.
- H. Approval of an equipment loan in the amount of \$73,035, with First Midwest Bank, at 3.28% for three years, for the financing of the new Ambulance Re-Chassis.
- I. Approval of the recommendation from Robbins Schwartz Lifton & Taylor concerning intervention in four of the five PTAB tax appeals for 2009.
- J. Approval to replace the Fire Department SCBA units and equipment with Scott brand, and to waive the bidding requirement and award the contract to Municipal Emergency Services, Inc. (MES), using a lease to purchase program.
- ~~K. Approval to purchase a 2012 Ford Explorer in accordance with the capital plan and vehicle replacement schedule at a total cost of \$28,023. (Tabled to October 10, 2011 Committee meeting.)~~
- L. Approval for the Police Department to purchase two budgeted squad cars supplemented by the purchase of two additional squad cars out of seizure monies.
- M. Approval to advertise for bid for the 2011 Annual Sidewalk Replacement Program.
- N. Approval of a renewal of the City of Chicago water supply agreement/contract under the same terms and conditions for an additional 10 year term (through December 31, 2021), to become effective upon the Village's acknowledgement of the City of Chicago notice; and authorization for the Mayor and Clerk to sign the agreement/contract when Chicago delivers them to the Village.
- O. Approval to award the contract, for the North Reservoir Water Pumping Station, 117th & Karlov, to the lowest qualified bidder, Gaskill & Walton Construction Company for the bid amount of \$2,689,050.00., as recommended by Robinson Engineering and the Alsip Water Commissioner.
- P. Acceptance of committee reports as presented.

Roll #1: Voting "aye": Trustees Shapiro, Daddona, Quinn, Dalzell and Ryan. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Shapiro to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Daddona.
Roll #2: Voting "aye": Trustees Shapiro, Daddona, Quinn, Dalzell and Ryan. Motion carried.

Item F: Motion by Trustee Quinn to table the RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF CERTAIN CLOSED SESSION MINUTES until the September 19, 2011 Board meeting; seconded by Trustee Dalzell. Roll #3: Voting "aye": Trustees Shapiro, Daddona, Quinn, Dalzell and Ryan. Motion carried.

Item K: Motion by Trustee Dalzell to table the request to purchase a 2012 Ford Explorer until the October 10, 2011 meeting; seconded by Trustee Ryan. Roll #4: Voting "aye": Trustee Shapiro, Daddona, Quinn, Dalzell and Ryan. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Quinn requested the Village Clerk place the override of the Mayor's veto of Ordinance No 2011-8-2 on the September 19, 2011 Agenda under Old Business. In response to a question from Trustee Quinn, Attorney Hayden stated the next Board meeting is okay for the veto override. Brief discussion followed.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee Shapiro to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Ryan. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Venhuizen
Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois