

VILLAGE OF ALSIP
MINUTES OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 2, 2005



- 1) Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The roll was called as follows: Present: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel, and McLawhorn. Also present Mayor Andrews, Deputy Clerk Morrey, and Village Attorney Mike Cainkar. Absent: Clerk Black.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 2) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2005 Board meeting, and the minutes of the April 25, 2005 Committee meeting and the minutes of the April 25, 2005 Canvass meeting as presented; seconded by Trustee Kobel. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 3) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to appoint Deputy Clerk Morrey as clerk pro tem; seconded by Trustee Quinn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- 4) Mayor Andrews presented a request for retirement from Mr. Pinto, Building Commissioner and a request for payment of 15 days unused vacation days.
- 5) Motion by Trustee Quinn to accept the retirement of Mr. Sal Pinto, Building Commissioner, effective May 13, 2005 and authorize payment of 15 days unused vacation; seconded by Trustee Castaldo.
Roll #1 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 6) Mayor Andrews presented a request for retirement from Janet Kelly effective June 1, 2005.
- 7) Motion by Trustee Quinn to accept the retirement of Janet Kelly effective June 1, 2005; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #2 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 8) Mayor Andrews presented a request for retirement from Joyce Cavanaugh, effective June 30, 2005.
- 9) Motion by Trustee Quinn to accept the retirement of Joyce Cavanaugh, effective June 30, 2005; seconded by Trustee Castaldo.
Roll #3 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 10) Mayor Andrews presented the resignation of part-time building inspector effective April 18, 2005.
- 11) Motion by Trustee Ceretto to accept the resignation of the part-time building inspector effective April 18, 2005; seconded by Trustee Quinn.
Roll #4 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 12) Mayor Andrews presented a request from Deputy Clerk Morrey to rescind her resignation.

- 13) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to rescind the previously approved resignation of Beverly Morrey, Deputy Clerk; seconded by Trustee Quinn.
Roll #5 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 14) Mayor Andrews presented a request to convert the part-time clerical position in Treasurer's office to a full-time clerical position effective immediately.
- 15) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve the conversion of the part-time clerical position in the Treasurer's office to a full-time position effective immediately; seconded by Trustee Castaldo.
Roll #6 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 16) Mayor Andrews presented a request from Judy DeLuise to convert part-time service to one full year of service.
- 17) Motion by Trustee Castaldo to approve the conversion of part-time service to one full year of service for Judy DeLuise, in accordance with Village Ordinance; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #7 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 18) Mayor Andrews presented a recommendation from Robinson Engineering to accept the low bid of Alsterda Cartage for the Mather Avenue Storm Sewer project.
- 19) Motion by Trustee Quinn to accept the low bid from Alsterda Cartage totaling \$214,928.50 for the Mather Avenue Storm Sewer project, as recommended by Robinson Engineering; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #8 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 20) Mayor Andrews presented a recommendation from Robinson Engineering to accept the low bid of Brothers Asphalt for the 2005 Street Resurfacing Project.
- 21) Motion by Trustee Kobel to accept the low bid from Brothers Asphalt totaling \$161,520.30 for the 2005 Street Resurfacing Project; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #9 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 22) Mayor Andrews presented a request to waive the bidding process and authorize the emergency purchase of a 20-ton air conditioning unit for PD Dispatch Center.
- 23) Motion by Trustee Jolivette to waive the bidding process and authorize the emergency purchase of a 20-ton air conditioning unit for Police Department Dispatch Center from Amber Mechanical at a cost not-to-exceed \$23,100; seconded by Trustee Quinn.
Roll #10 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 24) Mayor Andrews recommended a correctional fund transfer of 2004-2005 real estate taxes totaling \$240,000 to the Road & Bridge Fund.
- 25) Motion by Trustee Quinn to authorize a correctional fund transfer of 2004-2005 real estate taxes totaling \$240,000 to the Road & Bridge fund; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #11 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.

- 26) Mayor Andrews reported on receipt of a petition from the residents on 115th Street & Keeler Avenue requesting the definition of the signs posted from 115th to 116th Street on Keeler Avenue be changed to the residents of that street, not residents of Alsip.
- 27) Motion by Trustee Quinn to accept the petition and forward same to Public Works superintendent for further review; seconded by Trustee Castaldo. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 28) Mayor Andrews reported on receipt of correspondence from Steven P. Gianaka, developer, requesting a foundation permit for the proposed 54 unit condominium project at 122-123rd & Cicero.
- 29) Motion by Trustee Kobel to table the request for a foundation permit from Steven P. Gianaka for the proposed 54 unit condominium project at 122nd - 123rd & Cicero; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #12 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.

CLERK'S REPORT

- 30) Clerk pro tem Morrey reported the 2005-2006 Village Board meeting schedule has been posted and distributed to all Village Board members.
- 31) Motion by Trustee Castaldo to accept the schedule and place on file; seconded by Trustee Jolivette. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 32) Motion by Trustee Jolivette to accept the Clerk's report as presented; seconded by Trustee Kobel. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

ATTORNEY REPORT

- 33) Attorney Cainkar presented an Ordinance granting a variation to allow double fencing at 11625 Kenton Avenue.
- 34) Motion by Trustee Kobel to adopt Ordinance 2005-5-1, AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A VARIATION TO ALLOW DOUBLE FENCING ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11625 KENTON AVENUE, ALSIP, ILLINOIS; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #13 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 35) Attorney Cainkar presented an Ordinance granting a rezoning from B-1 to B-3 to allow operation of restaurant/bar at 11860 S. Cicero.
- 36) Motion by Trustee Kobel to adopt Ordinance 2005-5-2, AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A REZONING FROM B-1 BUSINESS DISTRICT TO B-3 BUSINESS DISTRICT TO ALLOW THE OPERATION OF A RESTAURANT AND BAR ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11860 SOUTH CICERO AVENUE, ALSIP, ILLINOIS; seconded
Roll #14 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 37) Motion by Trustee Jolivette to accept the attorney's report as presented; seconded by Trustee Castaldo. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- 38) Village Engineer Tom Lang, reported IDOT approved the Prairie View Subdivision Plans and the plans are scheduled to bid on May 16, 2005.

- 39) Mayor Andrews asked if the engineer had met with Cook County on the list of items for 123rd Street. The engineer would further investigate.
- 40) Motion by Trustee Castaldo to accept the engineer's report as presented; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT

- 41) Motion by Trustee Ceretto to approve the May 2, 2005 Accounts Payable list of bills totaling \$1,885,249.28, and authorize the Village Treasurer to draw the vouchers and the Mayor and Clerk to sign same; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #15 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 42) Motion by Trustee Ceretto to approve a refund on transfer tax to Ewa and Stawomir Juszcak, 12422 S. Menard totaling \$717.50; seconded by Trustee Kobel.
Roll #16 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 43) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to accept the finance committee report as presented; seconded by Trustee Kobel. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 44) Motion by Trustee Quinn to approve payment of three floating holidays for Sharon Szynalski; seconded by Trustee Kobel.
Roll #17 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 45) Motion by Trustee Quinn to approve carry over of two vacation days for Sharon Szynalski; seconded by Trustee Kobel.
Roll #18 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.
- 46) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to accept the fire department committee report as presented; seconded by Trustee Jolivette. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 47) Motion by Trustee Jolivette to authorize a request to hold a Communion party on May 7, 2005 at 4431 W. 123rd Place, pending approval of Police & Fire; seconded by Trustee Kobel. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 48) Motion by Trustee Jolivette to authorize the request to hold a Birthday party at 12253 S. 45th Avenue, May 21, 2005, 8 p.m. - 12 a.m., pending approval of Police & Fire; seconded by Trustee Castlaldo. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 49) Motion by Trustee Kobel to accept the police committee report as presented; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

- 50) Motion by Trustee Ceretto to approve the purchase of one Ford F 450 diesel pickup truck at a cost not-to-exceed \$54,895; seconded by Trustee Quinn.
Roll #19 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn. Motion carried 6-0.

- 51) Motion by Trustee Ceretto to authorize advertising for bid for the replacement of two front west driveways the Public Works facility; seconded by Trustee Quinn.
Roll #20 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 52) Trustee Ceretto commended the 111 volunteers and the committee that worked Alsip Cleanup Day.
- 53) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to accept the public works committee report as presented; seconded by Trustee Kobel. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

- 54) Motion by Trustee Castaldo to accept the April 2005 Building Department Report; seconded by Trustee Quinn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 55) Motion by Trustee Castaldo to accept the annual Building Department report 5/1/2004 - April 30, 2005; seconded by Trustee Quinn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 56) Motion by Trustee Quinn to accept the building committee report as presented; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 57) HEALTH & POLLUTION - no report.
- 58) SEWER & WATER - no report.

LICENSE

- 59) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve a list of licenses dated May 2, 2005; seconded by Trustee Kobel. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 60) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to rescind the business and liquor license for 12340 S. Cicero Avenue; seconded by Trustee Castaldo. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 61) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to deny the request for a refund for the rescinded business license for 12340 S. Cicero Avenue; seconded by Trustee Castaldo. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 62) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve a refund of \$500 for the rescinded liquor license for 12340 S. Cicero Avenue; seconded Trustee Castaldo.
Roll #21 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 63) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve a home occupation license for 11953 Karlov, office only; seconded by Trustee Quinn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 64) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve a home occupation license for 11700 S. Kildare, office only; seconded by Trustee Quinn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 65) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve a home occupation license for 4517 W. 129th Street, office only; seconded by Trustee Quinn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 66) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve a six month temporary license for property located at 11860 S. Cicero, pending interior remodeling permits and all health codes are met prior to opening for business; seconded by Trustee Castaldo.
Roll #22 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.

- 67) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to approve a home occupation license for 4546 W. 115th Street. office only; seconded by Trustee Quinn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
- 68) Motion by Trustee Quinn to accept the license committee report as presented; seconded by Trustee Kobel. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

PLANNING & ZONING

- 69) Motion by Trustee Kobel to refer to request for rezoning from R-1 to R-3 for property at 115th & Laramie to Planning for a Public Hearing; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #23 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 70) Motion by Trustee Kobel to approve the linens for the subdivision at 111th & Leamington and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign same; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #24 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 71) Motion by Trustee Kobel to approve the linens for the Sanduka Subdivision and authorize the Mayor and clerk to sign same; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn.
Roll #25 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 72) Motion by Trustee Quinn to accept the planning & zoning committee report as presented; seconded by Trustee McLawhorn. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

73) VILLAGE PROPERTY - no report.

74) INSURANCE - no report.

75) ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION - no report.

76) LOCAL IMPROVEMENT - no report.

77) BOAT LAUNCH - no report.

OLD BUSINESS

- 78) Trustee Quinn presented a resolution honoring Jerry Vrshek for the many years of service as a teacher/principal in School District 126.
- 79) Motion by Trustee Quinn to adopt Resolution 2005-5-R-1, RESOLUTION OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ALSIP IN RECOGNITION OF THE MANY YEARS OF SERVICE PROVIDED TO THE CITIZENS OF THE VILLAGE OF ALSIP BY JERRY VRSHEK, for presentation on May 25, 2005 with a copy to Mr. Vrshek; seconded by Trustee Kobel.
Roll #26 - AYES: Trustees Jolivette, Castaldo, Ceretto, Quinn, Kobel and McLawhorn.
Motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- 80) Trustee Jolivette stated that it has been an honor to serve the residents of the Village of Alsip for the past 24 years under the leadership of Arnold Andrews, he wished the incoming officials and remaining Board members good luck in dealing with issues that face the Village both current and future.

- 81) Trustee Quinn stated it has been an honor for the last 12 years to serve with Arnold Andrews and Mr. Jolivette, Mr. Kobel for the past four years and Mrs. McLawhorn for the past year; you have been a great credit to this community.
- 82) Mayor Andrews thanked all the people that worked so hard for him over the last 36 years, and thanked them for their support and cooperation through the years. He further stated that none of the accomplishments would have been possible without their support and hard work.
- 83) Mayor Andrews went on to point out some things of which he is very proud:
- “When I was first elected the Village collected \$63,000 a year in sales tax on the base sales tax of 1% that every municipality receives. Last year we collected 3.9 million dollars in sales tax, which places the Village of Alsip immediately behind the Villages of Tinley Park, Orland Park and Oak Lawn. The Village of Alsip collected more sales tax last year than Chicago Ridge, Evergreen Park or Crestwood with their shopping centers.
- At the same time we built a tax base that originally was 38 million to 570 million dollars which again places the Village of Alsip fourth only to the other three towns, and we far exceeded Crestwood, Evergreen Park and Chicago Ridge as well as many other communities. It is a record I am quite proud of and thank everyone for their help.”
- 84) Mayor Andrews reported that during the last election campaign there was talk of the Village being in dire financial straits, and pointed out that there is well over 2-million dollars cash on hand in the corporate account, and this is after the \$240,000 transfer of funds to the Road & Bridge Fund.
- 85) Mayor Andrews reported receiving an estimated 35 phone calls today asking if he was moving, and the Mayor stated “for many years I believed that Alsip is a great place to live and raise your families, and I have been a resident since 1962, and do not plan on moving.”
- 86) At this point in the meeting Mayor Andrews received a standing ovation from the many employees and residents in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT:

- 87) Motion by Trustee McLawhorn to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Quinn. All in favor; none opposed. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Penney M. Black, Village Clerk
Village of Alsip

