

VILLAGE OF ALSIP  
MINUTES OF  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMITTEE MEETING  
January 29, 2007

Mayor Kitching called the Committee meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll as follows: Present: Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro and Godfrey. Also present Mayor Kitching, and Clerk Venhuizen. Absent: Trustee Graczyk.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching submitted a list of committee assignments as follows:

<u>Standing Committees</u>	Chairperson (Trustee)	Members (Trustees)
Finance	Graczyk	Castaldo/Collins
Fire	Collins	Godfrey/Quinn
Police	Shapiro	Quinn/Godfrey
Public Works	Castaldo	Godfrey/Graczyk
Building	Shapiro	Graczyk/Castaldo
Health/Pollution	Castaldo	Collins/Godfrey
Water/Sewer	Quinn	Godfrey/Shapiro
License	Godfrey	Collins/Castaldo
Planning/Zoning	Quinn	Castaldo/Collins
<u>On Call Committees</u>		
Village Properties	Castaldo	Graczyk/Godfrey
Insurance	Collins	Quinn/Graczyk
Ordinance/Legislation	Collins	Quinn/Godfrey
Local Improvements	Castaldo	Shapiro/Godfrey
Boat Launch	Godfrey	Quinn/Shapiro

Mayor Kitching reported Mr. William Tellano will be appointed to the Police & Fire Commission to replace Trustee Godfrey who resigned when appointed to the Village Board.

Mayor Kitching will present a resolution for the Illinois Department of Transportation related to permitting. Copies will be distributed to the Board when received.

Mayor Kitching called for a brief closed session following this meeting to discuss pending, probable and imminent litigation affecting the Village.

CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen presented: a) the December 2006 IDOT MFT report allocating \$47,973.13 of MFT funds to the Village; b) information on the Vehicle Sticker Contest was sent the week of January 21, 2007 to School Districts 125, 126, 130, 218, Marist, Mother McAuley, and Brother Rice, and all entries must be submitted before 4:00 p.m., Monday, February 12, 2007. The winner will be announced at the March 19, 2007 Board meeting; c) Student Government Day will be held bi-annually; d) bid opening will be February 5, 2007 for two Public Works projects.

FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Collins reported the following will be presented: a) a list of bills dated January 29, 2007; b) a request from Ozinga Illinois RMC, Inc. that the Village of Alsip approve a resolution that supports and consents to the filing of a Class 6-B Application with Cook County for MWRD of Chicago property at 12660 S. Laramie Avenue, Alsip, Illinois; c) three transfer tax refunds: 1) \$332.50 payable to Stanislaw Zarcharski, 3857 N. Oketo, Chicago, Il., 2) \$542.50 payable to James M. Brongiel Jr, 5912 W. 124<sup>th</sup> Street, Alsip, Il., 3) \$540.75 payable to Michele Bilo, 5208 W. 122<sup>nd</sup> Street, Alsip, Il. d) an Ordinance amending Ordinance 2006-7-4, the 2006-2007 Annual Appropriation Ordinance; e) a proposal from Phil McKenna at a cost not-to-exceed \$4,000 to prepare a continuing disclosure statement as required by the National Securities and Exchange Systems for the filing of numerous general obligation bonds.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Collins presented: a) a request for authorization to install Emergency Vehicle Preemption on (2) existing traffic signals in the Village of Alsip. Meade Electric will coordinate all engineering with IDOT, and the installation costs will be paid for by a grant awarded by the Illinois Public Risk Fund (IPRF). The installation location and costs are as follows: 127<sup>th</sup> & Kostner, \$7,261.50 and 127<sup>th</sup> & Pulaski, \$6,145.00, Engineering, \$2,500.00 for a total cost of \$15,906.50; b) On Tuesday, February 20, 2006, the Fire & Police Commission will be swearing in a new firefighter candidate. The swearing-in ceremony will take place at Fire Station #1 at 7:00 p.m., and all are welcome to attend; c) an Outstanding Call letter from South Cook County EMS.

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71 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented the following: a) a request for  
72 approval to send Lt. McGreal and Chief Troy to Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System  
73 Training, Springfield, Illinois, March 18-20, 2007 at a cost of \$150 per person (budgeted item);  
74 b) request from the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners for approval to post a legal notice to  
75 establish an eligibility list for the position of Police Officer starting March 5, 2007; c) request for  
76 authorization to install Opticom at 120<sup>th</sup> Street & Cicero Avenue at a total cost of \$7,261.50  
77 (budgeted at \$8,500); d) request for tuition reimbursement totaling \$3,000.00 payable to Officer  
78 Dawn Frainey for attendance at Lewis University; three letters of commendation directed toward  
79 Officer John McHale, Detective James Brongiel and Sergeant Steven Daddona.

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81 Mayor Kitching reported IDOT agreed to Cicero Avenue signage, and two pedestrian  
82 crosswalks; one at 120<sup>th</sup> & Cicero and another between 120<sup>th</sup> and 123<sup>rd</sup> & Cicero.

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84 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Castaldo will present the December  
85 2006 Public Works Activity Report.

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87 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) a request from the Alsip  
88 Little League for authorization to install informational signs for the period 2/1/07-2/19/07  
89 announcing their registration; b) request from Lombard Company for authorization to use a  
90 temporary construction trailer at 6000 W. 118<sup>th</sup> Street for the Doralco project; c) request from  
91 Zeiler Development requesting authorization to construct an 8' high privacy fence for their  
92 property located at 12159 S. McDaniel Court (Orchard View Townhomes). Trustee Shapiro  
93 requested and received consensus of the Board on the request from Alsip Little League.

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95 HEALTH & POLLUTION: No report.

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97 SEWER & WATER: Trustee Quinn reported the Board received figures of the proposed water  
98 rate increases and asked for comments at the next committee meeting.

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100 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Godfrey will present a list of licenses dated 01/29/07.

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102 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented two requests to be forwarded to  
103 the Planning & Zoning Committee for Public Hearings; a) a request to change zoning from I-2 to  
104 I-1 for property located 3750 W. 131<sup>st</sup> Street; b) simple subdivision request for property located  
105 at 11236 Avon, split a 100' lot into two 50' lots.

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#### 107 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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109 VILLAGE PROPERTY: No report.

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111 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: Trustee Collins reported on a meeting with Tom English who is  
112 restructuring the Village's insurance premiums, which will be announced at a later meeting.

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114 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: Trustee Collins reported letters were received from Trustees  
115 Shapiro and Graczyk concerning the Smoking Ordinance and requested additional Board input:  
116 Trustee Castaldo favored Trustee Collins recommendation of "status quo" for restaurants and  
117 bars and voiced concern with control of private business, industry and workplace environments,  
118 and recommended smoke free municipal buildings. Trustee Quinn reported consideration should  
119 be taken that 80% of the population are non smoking, and non-smoker rights should be  
120 considered. Trustee Quinn recommended an ordinance prohibiting smoking in public places,  
121 particularly Village-owned properties with the exception of Heritage I and II, and recommended  
122 gradually over a period of time making one building at Heritage I & II smoke free. Discussion  
123 followed. Trustee Godfrey agreed with the "status quo" consensus of the Board and to prohibit  
124 smoking in public areas and municipal buildings. Mayor Kitching recommended providing an  
125 area at the Village Hall for smokers with possibly heat lamps for cold weather. Trustee Collins  
126 will forward the information to the Village attorney for preparation of an Ordinance.

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128 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT – no report.

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130 BOAT LAUNCH – no report.

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138 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS none.

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140 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

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142 NEW BUSINESS: None.

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144 PUBLIC PORTION: Hursh K. Singh, Marathon Gas Station, 11901 S. Pulaski, requested a  
145 liquor license for the gas station, and Mayor Kitching responded there are no liquor licenses  
146 available.

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148 Joe Bochniak, 5111 W. 111<sup>th</sup> Street, complained about the left turn traffic signal at 123<sup>rd</sup> &  
149 Cicero, where left turns are allowed on the green arrow only. Mayor Kitching requested a letter  
150 from the resident that will be sent to IDOT.

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152 Phillipe Kaleta, 4428 W. 123<sup>rd</sup> Pl., asked about the white camera by railroad track on 123<sup>rd</sup>  
153 Street.

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155 Mike Pierce, 4937 W. 124<sup>th</sup> Street, felt the County was being responsible and the School District  
156 does not offer smoking areas for employees and their buildings are 100% smoke free. Mr. Pierce  
157 asked about the litigation over the gates that were purchased and installed by the Village to  
158 control traffic in the area. Mayor Kitching responded that he cannot comment on pending  
159 litigation. Mr. Pierce asked to be kept up-to-date on this litigation.

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161 Motion by Trustee Collins to move into closed session to discuss pending, probable and  
162 imminent litigation affecting the Village; seconded by Trustee Shapiro. All in favor; none  
163 opposed. Motion carried.

164 Board moved into closed session at 8:08 p.m.

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166 Mayor Kitching reconvened the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

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168 ADJOURNMENT

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170 Motion by Trustee Collins to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Godfrey.

171 Motion carried at approximately 8:40 p.m.

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173 Respectfully submitted,

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Deborah Venhuizen  
Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois