

VILLAGE OF ALSIP
MINUTES OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE MEETING
March 29, 2010

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

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching reported there will be an Executive Session immediately following the April 5, 2010 meeting to discuss collective bargaining issues and pending litigation.

CLERK'S REPORT: No report.

FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Godfrey presented: a) A list of bills dated March 29, 2010. b) Request for approval of a 6b application from Machine Control Systems, Inc., for existing buildings located at 12545-47-49 Laramie. c) Request for approval of a Professional Services Agreement from Clifton Gunderson for the Village audit for FY2010.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Michaels presented: a) Deputy Chief Kelly has informed management of his intention to retire. His official date of retirement will be July 3, 2010, and his last day on duty will be May 21, 2010. Deputy Kelly has requested final buyout of sick time totaling \$46,394.31, to be paid in accordance with Village policy. b) Due to an injury to a shift lieutenant, it has become necessary to promote the next eligible candidate on the Lieutenant's list. The injured lieutenant will be off work for a period of between five and nine months. After the promotion, lieutenant overtime will no longer be needed when the other shift lieutenant is off on a furlough or vacation day. Over the course of a six month period there will be a savings of approximately \$14,000 in overtime. More importantly, the Fire Department will avoid the safety and management related problems that typically arise when a duty crew is left without a lieutenant (supervisor) for an extended length of time. After Deputy Kelly's official date of retirement on July 3, 2010, a recommendation will be made to fill the vacancy. In keeping with past procedures, at no time will more than six lieutenants be actively working on shift, in accordance with MC Code, Article II of Fire Department, Section 9-17, Personnel. At the Board meeting next week the Fire & Police Commissioners will be swearing in the next eligible candidate on the Lieutenant's list. In response to a question from Trustee Daddona regarding the status of the lieutenant position upon return of the injured lieutenant, Chief Geraci explained that prior to return of the injured lieutenant, a promotion from within will take place to fill the Deputy Chief position. Chief Geraci requested acceptance of Deputy Chief Kelly's retirement and promotion of the next eligible candidate from the Lieutenant's list.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) February 2010 Activity Report. b) Letter of Recognition for Officers Robert Bukala, Julie Siegel, Mike Pantoja and Todd Gutkowski. c) Recognition for Officers Raney, Dreger, Pantoja, and Saele for voluntarily adjusting their schedules to protect the Alsip residents on March 14, 2010 (the self proclaimed South Side Pub Crawl) which resulted in 26 traffic stops, 22 tickets and 1 DUI. It was because of their efforts and vigilance that Alsip had no alcohol related accidents. d) A job well done to Officer Delia, Helen Scheiber and Debra Dalzell for the hard work and effort that went into the flawless transition of thousands of records from the old record room to the new files. This work was accomplished over and above their regular duties. e) Chief Radz reported on pursuit of a grant for wind turbines and electric vehicles through Pepsi Corporation. The grant, if received will be \$225,000 to replace patrol vehicles running 24/7 with electric cars including wind turbines thereby eliminating carbon footprint. Chief Radz explained another grant estimated at \$35,000 from the State of Illinois will be used for a trackless train for use in training children on train safety. The trackless train will have four cars and will be lighted up with police lights and video screens.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: No report.

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69 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) Request from the Alsip
70 Park District for a refund of permit 09-9003 in the amount of \$450.00, for construction at Sears
71 Park, and waiver of future permit fees required for this project. Discussion was held on whether
72 to waive future permit fees estimated at \$12,000 for a 1.2 million dollar project. Trustee Godfrey
73 suggested checking with Park District to see if the permit fees were covered in the grant. Trustee
74 Shapiro will check. In response to a request from Mayor Kitching for a recommendation,
75 Trustee Shapiro suggested treating this as an enterprise zone and charge the Park District 50% of
76 the cost of permit fees for this project. Trustee Quinn recommended waiver of fees because the
77 money involved is all taxpayer dollars.

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79 HEALTH & POLLUTION: Trustee Daddona reported: a) There is a new business in town, a
80 beauty salon, Complete Tranquility. b) Inspections for ice cream vending trucks will start this
81 week.

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83 SEWER & WATER: Trustee Godfrey presented: a) February 2010 Water Department Report.

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85 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented: a) List of licenses dated March 29, 2010.

86 b) Renewal notices were sent out March 23rd, with a very positive response.

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88 PLANNING/ZONING REPORT: No report.

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90 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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92 VILLAGE PROPERTY: Trustee Michaels presented: a) Request for approval to go to bid for the
93 purchase of new furnaces and air conditioning units at Heritage II clubhouse and maintenance
94 shop. This project is funded by the bonds issued for the Heritage Complexes last year. Rodger
95 Early updated the Board on the current condition of the furnaces and air conditioning units.
96 Mayor Kitching asked for an updated on the boilers that were replaced, and Mr. Early responded
97 there has been a \$40,000 savings to the Village since November of 2009.

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99 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: Trustee McGreal presented: a) Request for approval of the Loss
100 Prevention minutes dated December 8, 2009. b) Request for approval of a Resolution
101 Authorizing Payment of Certain Health Care Related Expenses from the Village's Insurance
102 Fund to increase Escrow to \$50,000. c) Recommendation for the Renewal of the Village Health
103 Insurance with the current Health Provider, effective May 1, 2010 – April 30, 2011, with a 1%
104 increase.

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106 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: No report.

107 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT: No report.

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109 BOAT LAUNCH: Trustee Daddona reported: a) Boat Launch opens April 1, 2010.

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111 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS: None.

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113 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Trustee Godfrey made a correction to the Board meeting minutes
114 of March 15, 2010, under Finance change Trustee Shapiro to Trustee Godfrey.

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116 Trustee Michaels encouraged residents to complete the Census Form and explained that the City
117 of Chicago is on the form due to Alsip having a Chicago post office. There is an identifying
118 number on the form and Alsip will get credit.

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120 NEW BUSINESS: None.

121 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: No one wished to address the Board.

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123 ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee Godfrey to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Michaels.
124 Motion carried.

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126 Respectfully submitted,

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Deborah Venhuizen

130 Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois