

VILLAGE OF ALSIP
MINUTES OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE MEETING
August 8, 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, McGreal, Daddona, Quinn, Dalzell, Ryan, and Mayor Kitching.

BID OPENINGS: Clerk Venhuizen opened and reported the following bids:

IDOT 128th Place Reconstruction Project

	<u>Bid Amount</u>	<u>Bid Bond</u>
Crowley-Sheppard Asphalt, Inc. 6525 W. 99 th Street Chicago Ridge, IL	\$356,066.58	Yes
Gallagher Asphalt 18100 S. Indiana Avenue Thornton, IL 60476	\$442,733.08	
Alpha Construction Company 1340 W. 171 st Street Hazel Crest, IL 60429	\$462,176.50	Yes

3.2 MG Underground Water Tank Coating Project – 117th & Kedvale

	<u>Bid Amount</u>	<u>Bid Bond</u>
Thomas Industrial Coating 2070 Hwy 2 Prevely, MO 63070	\$1,325,610	Yes
Era Valdivia Contractors, Inc. 11909 S. Avenue O Chicago, IL 60617	\$1,493,000	Yes
Tecorp, Inc. 2221 Muriel Ct. Joliet, IL 60433	\$1,544,000	Yes
Spectrum Contracting 1411 Bernard Drive Addison, IL 60101	\$1,563,000	

Clerk Venhuizen reported the bids will be sent to Committee for review and recommendation.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching thanked the VFW for the banners installed on Cicero Avenue.

CLERK'S REPORT: No report.

PUBLIC FORUM: Mayor Kitching called for input from the public; and the following residents addressed the Board.

Robert Schleder, 11435 Mather, reported on water drainage problems in the front of his property where water pools and remains for weeks. The water fills pot holes and causes safety problems for bikers and walkers. He complained about temporary repairs made by the Village and questioned authorizing the Village to dig under his driveway leaving him with paying for replacement of the driveway and sidewalk. Pictures of the flooding were distributed to the Board for review.

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69 Russell Dunne, 11421 S. Mather, reported the street flooding has been a problem for 20 years. He
70 complained of two rivers running down each side of his house, and 3 feet of water standing in his
71 back yard, disintegrated parkway, neighbor's driveway 10" above grade causing water on his
72 property, and 8 to 10 inches of water that sets for weeks. Mr. Dunne also reported he has
73 addressed this problem with the Village previously with no satisfactory results.

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75 Kathy Guiliani, 11345 Mather, and Jerome Maloney, 11437 S Mather, addressed the Board with
76 similar complaints of long term street and yard flooding and the fear of water entering into their
77 homes if the problem is not resolved.

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79 Tom Lang, Village Engineer, reported this problem was addressed in 1992-1993, and a storm
80 sewer was designed for Mather Avenue, but the project never went anywhere. The cost to resolve
81 these flooding issues is estimated at one million dollars.

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83 Vince Cullen reported working with the Schleters and has two catch basins and 250' of pipe in
84 dpw garage waiting for resolution of some legal issues. Mr. Schleter did not prefer to use this
85 method to temporarily resolve this issue. Discussion was held on the various areas and
86 subdivisions that add to the flooding problem.

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88 Tom Van Eares, 11450 S. Mather, resident for 32 years, and asked why the Village allowed New
89 Hope Church to build a retention pond that floods his back yard.

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91 Trustee McGreal recommended the Public Works Committee work, Vince Cullen, Mr. Slater and
92 attorneys if required, work together to resolve this problem.

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94 Tom Lang will investigate grants available for flooding problems.

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96 FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented: a) A list of bills dated 8/8/2011. b) Request for
97 approval of a 6b application from Versatility Tool Works and Manufacturing, 4101 W. 124th
98 Place. c) Request for approval of a 6b application from Grasso Graphics, 5165 W. 125th Place.
99 Trustee Quinn reported Grasso Graphics is a renewal application. Representatives, if notified,
100 will be in attendance next week to answer questions.

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102 Trustee Quinn reported the budget is completed for the next fiscal year, and many of the
103 expenses listed as part of the budget are not automatically approved. If a Department Head has a
104 request for an item in the budget whether a piece of equipment or personnel, it must be brought
105 up to the respective committee prior to requesting Board approval.

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107 Trustee Quinn reported in response to a request from Trustee Ryan, all bills must be submitted to
108 the respective Trustees no later than Friday of each week in order to allow time for signatures of
109 approval. Since the bills must stay in-house, the logistics of how to work this out will be
110 resolved.

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112 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Dalzell presented: a) Request to authorize the Fire
113 and Police Commission to hire one person from the established eligibility list. The goal is to put
114 this firefighter on shift as soon as possible. Depending on the candidate's qualifications, the
115 entire process can take up to a few months. As discussed at the budget hearing, one of the three
116 unfilled firefighter positions has been budgeted for this fiscal year. b) Request for approval of an
117 Ordinance authorizing Firefighters Local #3074 to solicit funds for MDA. As in the past, the
118 specific request is to conduct the "fill the boot" campaign at designated intersections in the
119 Village. A letter from the District Director Anna Fratto and proof of insurance will be provided
120 by the local representative. Only off-duty personnel will be allowed to participate in the "fill the
121 boot" campaign. c) Thank you letter from Oak Forest Fire Department and thank you letter from
122 Double Tree Hotel will be read at the regular board meeting.

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124 Chief Geraci reported that the "fill the boot" campaign is exactly the same as last year.
125 Representative Carl Davies reported that the "fill the boot" will be held on two days, Friday the
126 26th of August, and Friday, September 2nd from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at two intersections; 127th
127 & Pulaski and 115th & Cicero. Carl reported that last year funds in excess of \$9,000 were
128 collected through this program.

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134 POLICE DEPARTMENT: Trustee Daddona presented: a) Request for approval of a Block Party
135 request for 5954 W. 124th Street on August 20, 2011, from noon to 10:00 p.m., with a DJ until
136 10:00 p.m. b) Request for approval of a Block Party request for 4352 W. 118th Street, on August
137 27, 2011, from noon to 10:00 p.m., with a DJ until 10:00 p.m. c) Request for approval to hire two
138 new police officers; academy starts in September. d) Letters of Recognition.

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140 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee McGreal presented: a) Notification of an
141 extension of temporary assignment (general foreman). b) Request for approval of renewal of an
142 intergovernmental agreement with IDOT for the apportionment of maintenance and energy costs
143 for traffic control devices located on State highways.

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145 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: No report.

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147 HEALTH & POLLUTION: No report.

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149 SEWER & WATER: Trustee Ryan presented: a) Monthly activity report for Water Department.
150 b) Water Department Itinerary for discussion: 1) Advertise for bid for bulk water distribution
151 station. Considering locking out some of the hydrants in unoccupied areas to prohibit water theft.
152 2) Hiring two new employees. 3) Purchase two new vehicles. 4) Advertise for bid for water main
153 replacement on 123rd Street to 122nd Street near Pulaski. This project was approved a year ago
154 but never went to bid. This item will be put on the agenda. Mayor Kitching questioned locking
155 out hydrants from the Fire Department and Commissioner Behrens reported working with the
156 Fire Department to avoid problems.

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158 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented: a) Request for approval of a list of licenses dated
159 August 8, 2011.

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161 PLANNING/ZONING REPORT: No report.

162 163 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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165 VILLAGE PROPERTY: Trustee Ryan presented: a) Request for approval to advertise for bid for
166 a Ford F350 with a plow and salt spreader. b) Request for approval to post a job opening and hire
167 a new employee at the Heritage Complex.

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169 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: No report.

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171 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: Trustee Dalzell presented a disk to each Trustee, Mayor and
172 Village Clerk that contained an example of agenda/minutes from another municipality for review
173 and recommendation. Trustee Dalzell recommended special attention to the accounts payable
174 detail.

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176 IT REPORT: No report.

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178 BOAT LAUNCH: No report.

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180 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS:

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182 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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184 NEW BUSINESS: Tom Lang, Village Engineer, requested the IDOT-128th Place Reconstruction
185 Project bid be considered by the Board at the August 15, 2011 Board meeting in order to
186 expedite this project. Tom Lang will proceed with review of the bids and send a letter of
187 recommendation.

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199 EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Trustee McGreal to enter into executive session to discuss
200 collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives
201 and discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline performance or dismissal of
202 specific employees; seconded by Trustee Quinn. Roll No. 1: Voting "aye": Trustees Shapiro,
203 McGreal, Daddona, Quinn, Dalzell and Ryan. Motion carried.

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205 Mayor Kitching reconvened the meeting and Trustee Quinn requested the following:

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207 a) Village attorney provide the law that states the Board has no authority with personnel.
208 b) Creation of a legal department comprised of three sections:
209 1. Village attorney appointed by the Mayor.
210 2. Legislative Council hired by the Board.
211 3. Prosecuting Council.
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213 Trustee Quinn requested these items be placed on the next Village Board agenda.

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

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224 Deborah Venhuizen
225 Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois