

**Village of Midlothian
Board Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee Gillis, Trustee Ivan, Trustee Kreis, Trustee L'Heureux, Trustee Moskal.

Absent: Trustee Killelea (arrived at 7:05)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kathy Caveney asked about the Building Superintendent position. She also discussed the Village website. She had some questions about village raises that were approved. Mayor Rybak addressed her questions. She wondered if these raises were based on their performance. She asked about the 2015-16 budget and wanted to know where we are on this. Mayor Rybak has a call in to John George from McGladdery to find out the status of the 2014 audit. She asked about the Village's response to the CAV letter. Her questions and concerns were addressed by the Board members.

George Doeden spoke about the scam phone calls from the IRS. He wanted the residents to be aware that they are calling this area.

Valerie Weiskirch spoke about the Public Access Counselors office is investigating the meeting minutes that have not been approved. She also discussed the South Suburban Joint Action Water Agency issue. September 10, 2014 is when we should have been out of it and she would like to know what we are going to do to get out of this. She also asked about the \$88,000.00 that needs to be reimbursed to the village. Her questions were addressed by Mayor Rybak.

Mayor Rybak asked for the approval of the Consent Agenda which consists of the Bill list and the Treasurer's report for December 2015. Trustee Moskal made the motion, Trustee Gillis seconded the motion. Roll call:

Ayes: Trustee Moskal, Trustee Gillis, Trustee Ivan, Trustee Killelea, Trustee Kreis, Trustee L'Heureux.

Nays: None **Motion passed.**

TRUSTEE BUSINESS

TRUSTEE KREIS

- She gave an update on Grills Hardware. She asked Attorney Gleason to draft some type of redevelopment agreement with them. She would like to have it ready for approval at the next meeting. There was a suggestion from a resident that Grills become a Rain Ready store.
- She gave an update on the US EPA grant. We still have money left in the grant, it expires in September. We are seeking commercial/industrial properties that would be eligible.
- She attended the Calumet Storm Water Collaborative meeting on Friday. She received a phone call from Debra Johnson, who is the Communications Director for Congressman Bobby Rush she wanted to talk about the recent legislation the Village of Midlothian just passed regarding flooding.
- The house at 14715 Keystone is down to the foundation. She thanked the Cook County Sheriff's office for taking it down at no cost to the Village.
- The Veteran's Committee has been on hiatus during the holidays. The next meeting will be on Monday.

TRUSTEE IVAN

- Nothing to report.

TRUSTEE GILLIS

- We received one new applicant for Building Superintendent, we now have 5 on file.
- Los Sarapes is on a waiting list for Class A liquor license. Tom's Diner has a new owner. We have two new business applications, Debbie's Café at 3318 147th Street and Katie's Café has applied at 14814 Cicero.
- He discussed Code Enforcement. One business has been issued three tickets for parking on the sidewalks.
- Jeff Koza discussed updating our zoning map with the possibility of including zoning for gaming cafes for video license. He would like to discuss this at the next Committee meeting.

TRUSTEE L'HEUREUX

Mayor Rybak is looking for a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and collective bargaining. Trustee L'Heureux made the motion, Trustee Gillis seconded the motion. Roll call:

Ayes: Trustee L'Heureux, Trustee Gillis, Trustee Ivan, Trustee Killelea, Trustee Kreis, Trustee Moskal.

Nays: None **Motion passed.**

Mayor Rybak is looking for a motion to return to Open Session at 7:53. Trustee Kreis made the motion, Trustee Moskal seconded the motion. Roll call:

Ayes: Trustee Kreis, Trustee Moskal, Trustee Gillis, Trustee Ivan, Trustee Killelea, Trustee L'Heureux.

Nays: None Motion passed.

Trustee L'Heureux made a motion to approve the Side letter agreement with the Fire Department Union regarding Structured Rank, Trustee Gillis seconded the motion. Roll call:

Ayes: Trustee L'Heureux, Trustee Gillis, Trustee Ivan, Trustee Killelea, Trustee Kreis, Trustee Moskal.

Nays: None Motion passed.

Trustee L'Heureux made a motion to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement with Will Counties Suburban Mutual Assistance Response Team, Trustee Ivan seconded the motion. Discussion: Trustee Kreis asked a question about item C which Trustee L'Heureux addressed. Roll call:

Ayes: Trustee L'Heureux, Trustee Ivan, Trustee Gillis, Trustee Killelea, Trustee Kreis, Trustee Moskal.

Nays: None Motion passed.

- He shared some good news, Firefighter Kucharski came back to work after being off for 13 months due to an injury.
- Chief Hotwagner has received letters from the South Cook County EMS Medical Director commending our paramedics and firefighters. Trustee L'Heureux shared portions of the letters with the Board.
- Chief Hotwagner also received another letter from a Midlothian resident thanking the firefighters who helped her two week old baby, who recently turned one. He read portions of the letter.
- The ambulance has arrived and is on site. He invited everyone to attend the in-service on Saturday at 12:00.

TRUSTEE KILLELEA

- Treasurer Britton has been working on the 2015-16 budget which he received today.

Trustee Killelea made a motion to approve the confidentiality policy, Trustee Ivan seconded the motion. Roll call:

Ayes: Trustee Killelea, Trustee Ivan, Trustee Gillis, Trustee Kreis, Trustee L'Heureux, Trustee Moskal.

Nays: None Motion passed.

- He discussed the purchase order ordinance. Mayor Rybak said a procedure would be good enough. Trustee Kreis would like to see this incorporated into our expenditure ordinance. Clerk Kohlstedt will look into this.

TRUSTEE MOSKAL

- He discussed the possibility of setting up a safe exchange location in the parking lot. There was some discussion among the Board members. Chief Kaufman would like to discuss this further with Trustee Moskal.
- At the last 911 Board Meeting Blue Island dispatch has announced that it will be increasing their costs anywhere from 58 – 100%. We are looking into other options.

CHIEF KAUFMAN

- He discussed the IRS phone calls. The FBI has been notified and the calls are coming from overseas. The IRS assured us that they would never call anybody in reference to law suits or money owed.

CHIEF HOTWAGNER

- He invited everyone to come out Saturday and see the new ambulance.

SUPERINTENDENT SPARREY

- Nothing to report.

ENGINEER KOZA

- He discussed the \$200,000 grant for street resurfacing. He is discussing it with Superintendent Sparrey.
- He is working on the draft agreement for the RTA Access to Transit.
- We are going to be advertising for bids on Friday for the water tower.

TREASURER BRITTON

- Nothing to report.

PRESIDENT'S BUSINESS

- Nothing to report.

CLERK'S BUSINESS

- Nothing to report.

CLOSE OF BUSINESS

Mayor Rybak is looking for a motion to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. Trustee Kreis made the motion, Trustee L'Heureux seconded the motion. Roll call:

Ayes: Trustee Kreis, Trustee L'Heureux, Trustee Gillis, Trustee Ivan, Trustee Killelea, Trustee Moskal.

Nays: None **Motion passed.**

Respectfully Submitted:



Michael Kohstedt, Clerk