

Village of Midlothian  
Special Meeting  
September 21, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: None

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A presentation was given by Donna Mazalin, our HR representative.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jean Bartecki asked about using Code Red for village events.

Kathy Caveney spoke about the Rain Ready Midlothian Plan. It has been recognized by the American Association of Civil Engineers acknowledging it as one of 15 change agents in their annual list of change agents. Trustee Kreis mentioned that she received an e-mail on September 13<sup>th</sup> from the Director of Public Affairs and Infrastructure Initiatives at the Association of Civil Engineers in Washington, D.C. Informing us that Rain Ready Midlothian is set to be named an Infrastructure Game Changer.

*Floor closed to public comment at 7:32 p.m.*

**TRUSTEE BUSINESS**

**TRUSTEE KREIS**

- Chief Hotwagner received a letter from the president of the Mid-Crest Panthers Youth Cheerleaders and Football Association. They are looking for a \$3,000.00 donation from the Village of Midlothian. There was some discussion among the Board members.
- She discussed insurance for the part-time firefighters. It would have to be offered to three or four firefighters.
- She discussed the latest e-mail from Dale TerHaar from Grill's Hardware. She asked for the Board's input on how to fix this problem with the business license and sprinkler system. There was discussion among the Board members. Trustee Gillis believes that all small engine repair in the building should be stopped and suggested that Mr. TerHaar sign a waiver and given a time frame to put a sprinkler system in. Trustee Moskal will discuss the water main situation with Superintendent Sparrey and Superintendent DeSimone.
- She sent the board members the e-mail from Chief Hotwagner about revising our ordinance 1864 to adopt NFPA 2009 which is his recommendation.
- There was a Natalie Creek Trail Steering Committee meeting held on Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Dave Landeweer from Terra Environmental has agreed to serve on the committee.
- SSMMA hosted a flood workshop. Everyone was very impressed with the rain garden by the VFW that was put together entirely by volunteers, which concluded the workshop tour.

- The Village of Midlothian was selected to receive an honorable mention for sustainable landscaping from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago. The certificate will be presented at the Sustainability Summit in Chicago on Friday October 7<sup>th</sup>.
- IDOT requested that we revise our plan for the Pop-Up Demonstration. It will be taken off 147<sup>th</sup> Street so that we do not have to have IDOT's approval. It will be held on the Village Green on October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11:00 – 1:30.
- The adopted Complete Streets Policy is not in the Commons Drive.
- MWRD dropped off two truckloads of biosolids at the Rain Garden.

#### TRUSTEE IVAN

- He asked the Board if they had any comments or concerns about the insurance letter that was sent out this week. He feels that we should move forward on this before the next Finance Committee meeting. There was discussion among the Board members.
- On Friday we will have the utility bill training class. Three of our employees will be attending. The employee BBQ will also be held on that day.
- We should start talking about the 2016 levy before the next Finance Committee Meeting.

*After Trustee Ivan's business was completed, Trustee Kreis read an e-mail she received from Molly Oshun from the Center for Neighborhood Technology. She asked if the Village was ready to consider a rain fund. There was some discussion among the Board members. She will wait until after the I&I presentation on the 28<sup>th</sup>.*

#### TRUSTEE GILLIS

- Nothing to report.

#### TRUSTEE L'HEUREUX

- Nothing to report.

#### TRUSTEE KILLELEA

- The newsletter process is in legal review. Attorney Gleason is reviewing.
- We are also in legal review for Azavar.
- He discussed office rearrangement in the front office. The Building Department would like to be up front, and also have a private office. The Treasurer has problems with the noise level, she would like to be in the back office where building is right now. He believes these issues need to be addressed. He asked if the clerk would take the space where the Treasurer currently is. Mayor Rybak will start the process.
- He discussed LOMA. There are certain areas on the near west side of Midlothian creek that don't flood. We would have to create an engineering model and maybe apply for LOMA. There was discussion among the Board members.
- The Safety Committee met yesterday and came up with some things for the Board to consider. They would like to have an effort to encourage lawful and careful driving. They would like to distribute ground signs that would say "drive like your children play here". They have an organization that would donate 100 signs. They also discussed the right turn on red situation at 147<sup>th</sup> and Pulaski which is pretty bad and talked about solutions, like setting hours and red light cameras. They recommend prohibiting right turn on red between 7:00 – 4:00. He asked if Trustee Moskal could discuss the situation at 146<sup>th</sup> and Pulaski with Superintendent Hollingsworth from School District 143.

- There is a lot of graffiti and waste at the Train Station. The Safety Committee would like to know why the train station is open until 7:00.

#### TRUSTEE MOSKAL

- The Drive Time renovation is moving along very quickly.
- The plans are all in for Ricky Rockets. Superintendent DeSimone has almost completed his last review.
- The Storage facility is just about ready for its final inspection.
- There has been a reduction in complaints around the grass cutting since we switched to Top Gun Landscaping.
- He asked Mayor Rybak about the old Tastee Freeze building. There was discussion among the Board members.

#### PRESIDENT'S BUSINESS

She discussed the audit with the attorney. She received another e-mail from the State asking where are audit was. Hopefully we will have it next week. She asked for a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:23 to discuss the discipline of a certain employee and the compensation of another employee and discussion of union contracts. Trustee Moskal made the motion, Trustee L'Heureux seconded the motion. Roll call:

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

Nays: None                      **Motion passed.**

#### CLERK'S BUSINESS

- Nothing to report.

#### CLOSE OF BUSINESS

Mayor Rybak is asking for a motion to return to open session at 10:03. 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.**

Mayor Rybak is asking for a motion to adjourn at 10:04. Trustee Moskal made the motion, Trustee Kreis seconded the motion. Roll call:

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

Nays: None                      **Motion passed.**

Respectfully Submitted:



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Michael Kohlstedt, Clerk