

VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COUNTY OF COOK

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING – MARCH 16, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

President Kolosh called the Committee Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE – President Kolosh; Trustees Kaye, Hudson, Pisarzewski, Kolosh, Atkinson; Recreation Director Dunlop; Police Chief G. Beckman, Fire Chief Habecker; Public Works Superintendent Oberman.

Also in attendance: Administrator D. Beckman; Attorney S. Dillner; Treasurer Frye.

Absent: Trustee Ehlers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Debbie Stachulak commented that the Wolcott Reunion is progressing well.

Christine Donnelly, 312 North Hunter, stated there are C.R. England trucks making a left on Marion and going down Hunter Street. Ms. Donnelly spoke to a gentleman at the company, but it hasn't stopped. She noticed the trucks only go down Hunter when there is a train. She tried calling 9-1-1 but the truck was gone too quickly. Ms. Donnelly asked if there can be a sign placed on the street stating it's not a through street and posting a weight limit. Chief Beckman will speak with his officers regarding these trucks, and contact C.R. England.

Secondly, Christine Donnelly noticed there are kids going in and out of the vacant house across the street from where she lives. Superintendent Oberman asked Ms. Donnelly to call him when she sees this happening again.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tri-State Disposal Contract – Trustee Pisarzewski reported Tri-State and Attorney Dillner are still negotiating the contract, and hope to present it to the Board for final approval at the next Regular meeting.

Police Contract – Trustee Kolosh asked Administrator Beckman to inform the Board of the proposed change to the police contract. Administrator Beckman commented on the continued turnover in the Police Department. The Village is losing good employees to other towns who pay better. After speaking with the Police Chief, he is asking the Board to change the contract by dropping the first two steps of the scale and having step three as the starting pay. This would allow the department to lateral an officer in at what was year 4. The Police contract runs out next year.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Frye will present her report at the Regular meeting.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Soltis Family Distillery Inducement – Attorney Dillner prepared an inducement resolution for the Soltis Family Distillery. This allows eligible developer expenses incurred to be reimbursed. The Village will consider reimbursing only if there is a contract. The Soltis family is doing some ground work because there is an aging process for the spirits they hope to be selling.

American Legion TIF Reimbursement – Administrator Beckman commented there is a receipt in the payables this evening for \$2,002 for a TIF reimbursement to the American Legion. This was to bring the Legion's fire system up to code

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Salvation Army – Administrator Beckman stated the Village received a request from the Salvation Army regarding their "Donut Day" and "Red Kettle Campaign" for 2015. After discussion, the Board decided to do the same as last year.

Line Item Adjustments – Administrator Beckman made the Board aware that there are line item adjustments that will need to be made. He is waiting until the end of the fiscal year (April) to present them to the Board. Trustee Atkinson clarified as long as the funds are staying within the department.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Kolosh will be asking for the formal appointment of David Habecker as Building Inspector at the Regular meeting this evening.

OLD BUSINESS

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

No report.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Pisarzewski, seconded by Trustee Kolosh, to adjourn the Committee meeting.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

President Kolosh adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Debra L. Pisarzewski, Village Clerk