

VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COUNTY OF COOK

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING – APRIL 20, 2015

WELCOME

President Kolosh welcomed those in attendance to the 46th Annual Youth Night; and introduced the Wolcott students to their respective Village Officials.

ROLL CALL

Present at Roll Call: President Kolosh, Trustees Atkinson, Kolosh, Pisarzewski, Ehlers, Hudson, Kaye; Public Works Superintendent Oberman; Police Chief G. Beckman; Fire Chief Habecker; Recreation Director Dunlop.

Also in attendance: Administrator D. Beckman, Attorney S. Dillner, Treasurer Frye, Engineer Hus.

President Kolosh turned the meeting over to the students.

CALL TO ORDER

President Reichert called the Meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

PLEDGE AND INVOCATION

President Reichert led the pledge to the flag. Administrator Jaylin Ford followed with a moment of silence for the sick and recently deceased of Thornton, and all of our public servants.

ROLL CALL (Youth Officials)

Youth Clerk Amber Voss called the Roll of the Youth Officials.

Present: President Heather Reichert, Trustees Alyssa Formella, Riley Forsythe, Grace Gbur, Raya Gierucki, Turhan Ramsey, Julianna Toro, Police Chief Taylor Holleman, Fire Chief Katie Stegenga, Public Works Superintendent Kara Bryant, Recreation Director Terence Harrington.

Also in attendance: Administrator Jaylin Ford; Attorney Jayla Ford; Engineer Sam Gbur; Treasurer Angela Vazquez.

YOUTH NIGHT PRESENTATION

Motion by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Pisarzewski, to approve the Youth Officials. All in favor.

Motion carried.

The 46th Annual Youth Night Program was had (attached), after which the gavel was returned to President Kolosh for Official Board Action.

MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Kolosh, seconded by Trustee Hudson, to accept the Minutes of the Committee Meeting of April 6, 2015, as corrected and place on file.

Trustee Pisarzewski asked Police Chief Beckman be removed from the Roll Call Vote as being present. The Chief was absent during this meeting.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Pisarzewski, seconded by Trustee Ehlers, to accept the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 6, 2015, as corrected and place on file.

Trustee Pisarzewski asked Police Chief Beckman be removed from the Roll Call Vote as being present. The Chief was absent during this meeting.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Atkinson, to accept the Correspondence as presented, listed, and place on file.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

VOUCHERS

Motion by Trustee Pisarzewski, seconded by Trustee Kaye, for the warrants to be drawn, the vouchers paid and placed on file for audit.

Ayes – Trustees Pisarzewski, Kaye, Ehlers, Hudson, Atkinson, Kolosh.

Nays – None.

Motion carried.

President Kolosh asked for a motion from the Board to release the June, 2014, water bill payment and hold the February, 2015, water bill payment.

Motion by Trustee Pisarzewski, seconded by Trustee Kolosh, to release from escrow the June, 2014, Chicago Heights water bill payment, and place in escrow the February, 2015, Chicago Heights water bill payment.

Ayes – Trustee Pisarzewski, Kolosh, Atkinson, Kaye, Hudson, Ehlers.

Nays – None.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Kolosh asked for public comment on any items not listed on the agenda. There was no comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works Building Plans – No public comment.

Motion by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to accept the proposal and agreement from Edwin H. Lugowski, Jr., the Village architect, for the Public Works building, as presented.

Ayes – Trustees Hudson, Kaye, Ehlers, Kolosh, Atkinson, Pisarzewski.

Nays – None.

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

March '15 Financial Report – No public comment.

Treasurer Frye reported the overall cash position of the Village as of March 31 was \$2,582,397.94. The General Fund had a cash position of \$1,453,951.45. This completes the eleventh month of the fiscal year. The revenues for the General Fund are at \$3,142,037.05 and expenditures are at \$2,902,568.57. So as of March 31st, there was an excess of revenues over expenditures of \$239,468.48.

As a reminder, the Chicago Heights water bills that are in escrow are not included in the report. They will be picked up at year end when the audit journal entries are done.

Motion by Trustee Pisarzewski, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve the March, 2015, Financial Report, as presented.

Trustee Atkinson asked what the remaining budget variance percentage should be.

Treasurer Frye responded it's 91.3 percent. Trustee Atkinson also thanked Treasurer Frye for including the water accounts receivables and sewer accounts receivables on the report.

Ayes – Trustees Pisarzewski, Kaye, Kolosh, Ehlers, Atkinson, Hudson.

Nays – None.

Motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

152 Indianwood Fence Variance – No report.

Attorney Dillner reported before the Board is an ordinance which grants a variance for a fence at 152 Indianwood in Thornton. The matter was discussed in Committee; and if there are no further questions, a motion would be in order.

Motion by Trustee Kolosh, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve the fence variance ordinance for 152 Indianwood, as presented.

Public Works Superintendent Oberman commented the fence will be a four foot updated PVC fence.

Ayes – Trustees Kolosh, Kaye, Hudson, Ehlers, Pisarzewski, Atkinson.

Nays – None.

Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ball Field Maintenance Proposal – No public comment.

Administrator Beckman asked for a motion to accept the maintenance proposal for the Village's softball field from Sportsfields, Inc. in the amount of \$7,150.00.

Motion by Trustee Pisarzewski, seconded by Trustee Hudson, to accept the proposal from Sportsfields, Inc., in the amount of \$7,150, as presented.

Ayes – Trustees Pisarzewski, Hudson, Atkinson, Kolosh, Ehlers, Kaye.

Nays – None.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

President Kolosh reminded the Board about the Special meeting being called for Monday, April 27, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the FY 2016 Budget.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Ehlers stated, for the second meeting in May, he has a Utility Committee report regarding the aggregation program; and he would ask this be listed on the agenda.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Kolosh commented that all Village officials and appointed employees are required to complete and file their Statements of Economic Interest with the Cook County Clerk's office by May 1st.

President Kolosh reminded all the students that Youth Night Pizza will be Thursday, April 23. The students need to be at the Village Hall parking lot no later than 5:30 p.m. We will be going to Aurelio's, and then for ice cream. The students will be brought home after the event.

Also, President Kolosh stated the Historical Society Dinner is May 11th. Please RSVP the Village Clerk by May 1st. It's at Glenwood Oaks at 6:00 p.m.

President Kolosh announced Dennis Freeman, a long-time Village resident, recently passed away. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers. Trustee Hudson commented that Pat Nason is doing much better. Trustee Ehlers mentioned Jenny Campos of 113 Laura Lane is in the hospital. She's 84 years old. President Kolosh stated John Levon is back in the hospital; and Trustee Atkinson remarked Larry Zastrow has been very ill.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

President Kolosh thanked Mr. Williams and Ms. Eastman for coordinating the student election at Wolcott School. He also thanked Jackie. The youth officials did a great job. President Kolosh presented the Certificates of Appreciation to all the Youth Officials; and invited everyone to stay for cake and beverages.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the good and welfare of the Village, a motion was made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Pisarzewski, to adjourn the Meeting.

All in favor.

Motion carried.

President Kolosh adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Robert R. Kolosh, Village President

Debra L. Pisarzewski, Village Clerk