

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Bethalto, IL
February 11, 2019

The Village Board of Trustees met on the above date in the Council Room at Village Hall in a regular meeting called to order by Mayor Winslow at 7:15 p.m. The meeting opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance”. Roll call was taken by Village Clerk Sue Lowrance. Present: Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons, Buhs, and Mayor Winslow. Also present: Police Chief Craig Welch, Public Works Director Rod Cheatham, Village Attorney Ken Balsters, Fire Chief Alex Campbell, Village Treasurer Joe Hughes, and Zoning Administrator Tim Brown.

Motion made by Buhs, seconded by Bost, to approve village board minutes of January 14, 2019 as printed. All members voted aye viva voce. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTAL SUPERVISORS:

Fire Chief Alex Campbell reviewed the statistical report for the month of January, noting 103 calls for the month. January is typically a slow month, with 92 calls in the same month last year. The department is estimating between 1200-1300 calls in 2019; this estimate includes anticipated increased calls due to the two assisted living facilities and a new urgent care in town. Historically, there has been an increase in calls of 5% annually. There was no fire loss this month. There were no questions.

Police Chief Welch presented the monthly activity report for January. There were three overdoses in January. Welch reviewed a situation that occurred on January 31 in which a subject had barricaded himself in his home for a week; there was a larger than expected mutual aid response to the situation, which caused some alarm for neighbors in the area, but the incident ended without any issues and had a successful outcome. One repeat offender who is well-known to Bethalto Police was apprehended in a neighboring city recently, and Welch suspects that this may result in fewer similar thefts within Bethalto. There were no questions.

Public Works Director Cheatham presented his departmental reports. A grant through Ameren is allowing crews to replace the light fixtures at the Albers Lane shed at 10% of the normal cost. The coaches meeting held in January went well. Interceptor manholes are being uncovered, easements are being cleared, and manhole lining prep work is being completed. Potholes and other issues with streets are being dealt with. We have had six winter events and no weather-related accidents. Lift stations are keeping up with the rain and run-off at this time. There were no questions.

GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tab Roberson of the Bethalto Jaycees was in attendance to ask for use of Central Park May 16-19, 2019 for their annual carnival. A deposit will once again be required; the deposit will not be cashed unless there is damage to the park. Mayor Winslow announced that there will be another event in the park at the beginning of June, so he asked that Tab get with him to discuss the dates. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by McRae, to allow the Bethalto Jaycees to use Central Park for their annual carnival, with dates to be negotiated with Mayor Winslow.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

Randy Harris of Local 338 announced that he and several other union members were in attendance to show their support to our Public Works union for their contract negotiations. He urged the board to settle the contract as quickly as possible.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2019-04 A Resolution Declaring 128 Hampton as Unsafe and Dangerous and Authorizing Village to Proceed to Demolish Same was presented. Zoning Administrator Brown has been trying to work with the homeowner, who still resides there, for cleanup of the property. This has become a hoarding situation and the carport has collapsed as well.

The resident is working on finding other living arrangements. **Motion made by Bost, seconded by Buhs, to approve Resolution 2019-04 A Resolution Declaring 128 Hampton as Unsafe and Dangerous and Authorizing Village to Proceed to Demolish Same.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance 2019-04 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 Article II was presented. This increases the number of allowed Class C liquor licenses to six as discussed in committee meetings. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Dugger, to approve Ordinance 2019-04 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 Article II.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR:

Village offices will be closed February 18 for Presidents Day. The annual fireworks show will once again be sponsored by 1st Mid America Credit Union and will be held on June 30. There will be a Bethalto 150 planning meeting on February 21 at 6:30 at the old water office building on Oak Street.

Mayor presented a request for a Class C liquor license by Short Trip, which will be located in the old Amoco building at the corner of 140 and Prairie St. There will not be gaming allowed at this establishment. **Motion made by Bost, seconded by McRae, to approve a Class C liquor license for Short Trip pending the required background checks.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye; nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

MONTHLY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Zoning Administrator Brown presented his report with no questions. There were five permits issued in January and several code enforcement violations.

MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT:

The January Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Hughes. Revenue and expenses were reviewed along with fund balances; Hughes noted our cash balance was slightly less than at the end of last month. There were no questions. **Motion made by Buhs, seconded by Gibbons, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of January, 2019.** Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee meetings were set for February 25, 2019 at 6:00pm.

WATER DEPARTMENT BILLS

Motion by Mull, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of the Water Department bills in the amount of \$387,251.13. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

GENERAL FUND

Motion by Gibbons, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$272,092.66. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

LIABILITY FUND

Motion by Bost, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$5,479.00. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

MFT FUND

Motion by Mull, seconded by Gibbons, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$16,774.73. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

GARBAGE FUND

Motion by Mull, seconded by Buhs, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$60,879.16. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 11, 2019 at 7:00pm for the water board, 7:15pm for the village board.

Motion made by Buhs, seconded by McRae, to enter into Executive Session pursuant to ILCS 2 (c) (2) Collective Bargaining and ILCS 2 (c) (1) Personnel. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Entered into Executive Session at 7:35pm.

Re-entered into regular session at 8:46pm with all trustees in attendance. **A motion was made by Mull, seconded by Bost, to approve the new CBA with Labor Local 338 as negotiated and set out in writing, but for Section 5 which shall remain open for additional negotiation, and all language of previous CBA Section 5 shall remain in full**

force and effect. Trustees Mull, Bost, Dugger, McRae, Gibbons and Buhs voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 6-0.

Having no further business, a **motion to adjourn the meeting was made by McRae, seconded by Dugger.** All voted aye viva voce. Meeting adjourned at 8:47pm.

Sue E. Lowrance, Village Clerk

Alan Winslow, Mayor