

## **VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

**Bethalto, IL**

**June 6, 2016**

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 Withers, Bost, Dugger, McRae and Mayor Winslow. Trustees Bourland and Mull were absent. Also present: Police Chief Gregg Smock, Public Works Director Rod Cheatham, Village Treasurer Joe Schoppet, Village Attorney Ken Balsters, Fire Chief Alex Campbell, Zoning Administrator Tim Brown, County representatives Tom McRae and Bill Robertson, Fort Russell representatives Stacy McRae and Steve Imel, and Wood River Township Supervisor Mike Babcock.

**Motion made by Withers, seconded by Dugger, to approve village board minutes of May 2, 2016 as printed.** All members voted aye viva voce. Motion carried 4-0.

### **REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTAL SUPERVISORS:**

Fire Chief Alex Campbell reviewed the statistical report for the month of May, noting 86 calls with no fire loss. There have been 459 runs so far this year. There was a small commercial electrical fire at Schnucks due to faulty wiring. The department has 5 starting their training tonight, but the department is still in need of volunteers. The Village's new ISO rating is at 4, down from 5. Chief Campbell stated that ISO audits are done every few years, so the residents of the Village should see a benefit from this lower rating over the next few years. Trustees inquired as to the lack of volunteers and its effect on the rating; Campbell stated that he doubts there will be a negative impact. It was noted that the department is the busiest volunteer department in Madison County.

Police Chief Smock: The monthly activity report was presented with no questions. Three officers will be participating in the Special Olympics Torch Run. Two officers have tendered resignations: Minnick and Johnson. This leaves the department with only 11 officers.

Public Works Director Cheatham: The summer routine is in full swing. Lift station maintenance continues; one pump needed repair and was rebuilt, but with one spare pump on hand the system was never down. Ball fields are in use daily and the program is running well. Work continues at the pool restroom facility. Oil and chip will begin at the end of July. There were no questions.

**GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no guests or public comments.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution 2016-07 A Resolution for Release of Executive Session Minutes** was reviewed. This resolution determines to keep specific executive session minutes closed. **Motion made by Bost, seconded by Dugger, to approve Resolution 2016-07 A Resolution for Release of Executive Session Minutes.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**Resolution 2016-08 A Resolution of Support for Multi-Use Trail Project and Approval to Apply for Grant Funding for Same** was presented. Public Works Director Cheatham presented the proposed project, which consists of a multi-use trail from Old Bethalto Road to the Madison County Trail head in Wanda. Phase 1 of the project would be from Old Bethalto Road to Ashbrook at the cost of approximately \$1 million, a majority of which would be covered by Federal and County funding. This phase would begin in fiscal year 2018. Once started, it is anticipated that additional grant funding would be available to finish the project in phases. Cheatham had a video presentation along with photo boards of the proposed project. It was noted that such a project would connect Bethalto to over 160 miles of bike and multi-use trails in the Madison County system, and the completion of this project would open up possible further expansion west through Wood River Township and into Alton. Mayor Winslow stated that support is in place from all necessary agencies, and

several governmental agencies were in attendance in support of the plan, and that the more agencies that are on board with the plan, the higher the likelihood of receiving funding for all projects. Cheatham further noted that not only would the project provide a much-needed recreational trail, but would also aid the Village in infrastructure along the route and in the beautification of the areas along Plegge Boulevard. Some concerns expressed were the speed of cars traveling along Moreland Road, and discussion of the lowering of the speed limit along the route occurred. There were no further questions. Cheatham stated that with the board's approval of this resolution, he would continue the application process for grant funding. **Motion made by Bost, seconded by Withers, to approve Resolution 2016-08 A Resolution of Support for Multi-Use Trail Project and Approval to Apply for Grant Funding for Same.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

### **ORDINANCES**

**Ordinance 2016-05 Prevailing Wages** was presented. This is the annual Prevailing Wage ordinance as required by Illinois law. It should be noted that due to the Illinois budget impasse, the most recent determination of wages as attached to the ordinance is dated July, 2015. **Motion made by Withers, seconded by Dugger, to approve Ordinance 2016-05 Prevailing Wages.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**Ordinance 2016-06 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 Liquor Code and Adopting BASSET Rules** was presented. This is to adopt the mandatory training regulations as specified in the Illinois Liquor Code for all liquor license holders, which takes effect July 1. Mandatory training will be monitored by the submission of certification papers for each employee of businesses holding Bethalto liquor licenses at the time licenses are renewed. **Motion made by Bost, seconded by Withers, to approve Ordinance 2016-06 An**

**Ordinance Amending Chapter 21 Liquor Code and Adopting BASSET Rules.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR:**

Due to the Multi-Use Trail presentation and its power point presentation, the presentation of the Christmas Village project was postponed until the July meeting.

The Arboretum turns 50 this year, and a ceremony will be held October 16 at 3pm to honor the occasion.

The request for the concert in the park as discussed in committee meeting was reviewed, with Trustee McRae stating he had attended a concert over the weekend that was put on by the same promoter and that he was quite impressed with the operation. He recommended allowing the event to take place. **Motion made by McRae, seconded by Withers, to allow the use of the park for said concert.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Winslow announced his selection of Shannon Scheffel to be re-appointed to the Police Pension Board. **Motion made by Bost, seconded by Dugger, to approve the appointment of Shannon Scheffel to the Police Pension Board.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

The Cornerstone Church Fireworks show will be held on June 26 beginning at 5pm at the airport.

**MONTHLY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Zoning Administrator Brown presented the monthly report, showing 3 residential permits and 1 business permit issued. Valuation for the month was \$677,415 and \$2 million year-to-date.

Occupancy permits stand at 205 to date. Property maintenance issues are keeping the department busy, and public works is assisting with mowing as needed. Brown continues to pursue options for the old Edwards property on MacArthur, and is also working with Public Works Director Cheatham on a FEMA grant for generators for the sewer system lift stations. There were no questions.

### **MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasurer Schoppet presented the fiscal year end/April Treasurer's Report. Schoppet reviewed the monthly receipts, noting that the Village is generally 3-4 months behind on state income tax receipts, but pointing out that over \$1 million was collected in state income tax for the fiscal year. Fund balances were reviewed, and Schoppet noted a few internal adjustments that needed to be made, specifically in the liability insurance fund, TIF fund, and meter fund. Schoppet stated that he will review and make sure these adjustments are made correctly. Loan balances were reviewed as well. **Motion made by McRae, seconded by Withers, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of April, 2016.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Committee meetings were scheduled for Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at 6:00pm.

### **WATER DEPARTMENT BILLS**

**Motion by Bost, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of the Water Department bills in the amount of \$240,196.63.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**GENERAL FUND**

**Motion by Withers, seconded by Bost, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$164,986.54.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**LIABILITY FUND**

**Motion by Bost, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$6,915.00.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**MFT FUND**

**Motion by Withers, seconded by McRae, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$18,720.27.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**GARBAGE FUND**

**Motion by Bost, seconded by McRae, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$48,035.49.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**TIF FUND**

**Motion by Withers, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$142,375.78.** Trustees Withers, Bost, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

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The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at 7:00pm water board, 7:15pm for the village board.

Having no further business, a **Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bost, seconded by McRae.** All voted aye viva voce. Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

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Sue E. Lowrance, Village Clerk

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Alan Winslow, Mayor