

## **VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

**Bethalto, IL**

**May 2, 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 Bourland, Mull, Dugger, McRae and Mayor Winslow. Trustees Withers and Bost 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, and Zoning Administrator Tim Brown.

**Motion made by Bourland, seconded by Mull, to approve village board minutes of April 4, 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 April, noting 91 calls with no fire loss. There have been 360 runs so far this year. 3 Probationary firefighters have successfully completed their training and are now full time firefighters for the department. The probationary program has been extended to 16 weeks from 12 weeks in order to provide more in-depth training. An updated mutual aid agreement has been signed.

Police Chief Smock: The monthly activity report was presented with no questions. The Chad Markel case has been closed, with a guilty verdict and a 24-year sentence.

Public Works Director Cheatham: Sewer lines are being cleaned and several bad lines are being identified. Fairway and Terminal Drive lift stations are the biggest issues. Lift Station maintenance continues; 250,000 gallons of water from the airport main break had an impact on lift stations and caused a domino effect at the Fairway and Grace stations. Pothole repairs are done daily and drainage issues are being identified. Hot mix patching will begin soon in preparation for oil & chipping later this year. Ball season is in full swing. Conduit is in

place at Sports Complex 2 and is ready for Ameren to place lines. Pool facility restrooms are being rehabbed for ADA compliance. The gazebo has been updated, landscaping is being done and flowers being planted around town. The updated Village Hall sign has been placed out front of Village Hall. All equipment is running fine and a crash cart being prepped for water main break emergencies. There were no questions.

**GUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENT:**

The Sons of the American Revolution were in attendance to present an award to Bethalto Post Office employee Christian Moore, who helped send two care packages to troops overseas by paying for half of the shipping costs when otherwise the boxes would not have been shipped. Moore was recognized and thanked for his selflessness.

**RESOLUTIONS**

There were no resolutions presented for consideration.

**ORDINANCES**

**Ordinance 2016-04 Salary Ordinance** was presented. This annual ordinance is based on negotiated union contracts and reflects a 3% pay increase as negotiated. This ordinance covers the 2016/2017 fiscal year. It was noted that an authorization for retroactive pay would be considered under the Mayor's reports later in the meeting. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Bourland, to approve Ordinance 2016-04 Salary Ordinance.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR:**

Mayor Winslow presented his departmental supervisor appointees: Zoning Administrator Tim Brown, ESDA Coordinator Tim Brown, Fire Chief Alex Campbell, Asst. Fire Chief Nick O'Dell, Asst. Fire Chief James Schulte, Fire Captain Tim Brown, Fire Captain Anthony Brady, Fire Captain Brian Buhs, Fire Captain Jeff French, Police Chief Gregg Smock, and

Public Works Director Rod Cheatham. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Dugger, to approve the departmental supervisor appointees.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

Winslow presented his appointments for Village Inspectors: Fire Inspector Tim Brown, Building Inspector Lee Friedel, Plumbing Inspector Greg Fowler, and Electrical Inspector Tim Henson. **Motion made by Bourland, seconded by Mull, to approve the Village Inspector appointees.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

Winslow presented his professional appointments: Village Attorney Ken Balsters and Village Treasurer Joe Schoppet. **Motion made by Bourland, seconded by Dugger, to approve the Village Professional Appointees.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

Winslow announced his appointees for boards and commissions: Fire & Police Commission, Gary Bourland; Plan Commission Craig Welch and Ed Slayden; and Zoning Board Woody Jordan and Kathi Cooper. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Bourland, to approve the appointees to Boards & Commissions.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

Stephenson Scholarship winners were announced: Meredith Buller, Kathryn O'Brien, Rebecca Rothe, and Brett Lane each were awarded \$500 Memorial Scholarships. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by McRae, to award the Stephenson Scholarships as selected.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

The Memorial Day Parade will be held on May 30 beginning at 10:15; Village offices will be closed that day. National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 5. Bethalto Church of God is presenting Gospelfest in the Park on May 14.

MFT bids were opened on April 11 with results sent in and approved by IDOT. **Motion made by Mull, seconded by Dugger, to accept the low bids for MFT Street Maintenance items.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

Concert promoter David Thomason has asked for permission to hold a benefit concert in Central Park on September 16. This will showcase three acts and is expected to draw over 1000 people. All proceeds will benefit the Community Hope Center. Mr. Thomason is asking for permission to use the park, for police officers for security, and for a generator for electricity. Discussion ensued regarding parking, the cost to the Village, damage to the park, and other factors. It was determined that more information is needed, and Mr. Thomason will be invited to a committee meeting to further discuss this event.

**Motion made by Mull, seconded by McRae, to approve and authorize retroactive pay increases as negotiated in union contracts.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

Mayor Winslow presented his Proclamation in Support of Motorcycle Awareness Month.

**MONTHLY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Zoning Administrator Brown presented the monthly report, showing 8 building permits issued, 4 new residential in Schreiber Farms. 148 occupancy permits have been issued year-

to-date. Grease trap inspections are almost completed. The Village will be hosting another Veteran's Assistance event on May 10 in the Community Room. There were no questions.

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

Treasurer Schoppet presented the March Treasurer's Report. The report shows a healthy cash balance, and Schoppet reviewed separate fund balances, outstanding loans, and budget line items by individual account. Schoppet stated there is a good, healthy balance in operating cash. Schoppet noted that some "bracketed items" on the treasurer's report can be due to overspending, uncollected revenue, or mistakes in coding but that all should be investigated as they occur. Schoppet noted a \$183,000 balance in the HRA account, and Mayor Winslow stated that this is still lower than what our plan administrator recommends. There were no questions. **Motion made by Bourland, seconded by Dugger, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of March, 2016.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Committee meetings were scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 6:00pm.

### **WATER DEPARTMENT BILLS**

**Motion by Bourland, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of the Water Department bills in the amount of \$253,941.76.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

### **GENERAL FUND**

**Motion by Bourland, seconded by Mull, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$162,921.98.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**MFT FUND**

**Motion by Mull, seconded by Bourland, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$4,474.46.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

**GARBAGE FUND**

**Motion by Mull, seconded by Dugger, authorizing payment of bills in the amount of \$47,840.45.** Trustees Bourland, Mull, Dugger and McRae voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4-0.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be June 6, 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 Mull, seconded by McRae.** All voted aye viva voce. Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

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Sue E. Lowrance, Village Clerk

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Alan Winslow, Mayor