

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF METTAWA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE HOUR OF 7:30 P.M. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2013, IN THE COTTONWOOD ROOM OF THE HILTON GARDEN INN HOTEL, 26225 N. RIVERWOODS BOULEVARD, METTAWA, ILLINOIS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ray called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Upon a call of the roll, the following were:

Present: Trustees, Armstrong, Brennan, Clark, Lane, Maier, Towne and Mayor Ray

Absent: None

Mayor Ray declared a quorum present.

Also present: Scott Anderson, representative of the firm of James Anderson Co., Attorneys James V. Ferolo and Gregory T. Smith of Klein Thorpe & Jenkins, Ltd.; Village Clerk, Cathy Nelson, Assistant Treasurer Lisa Dieter and Financial Consultant, Dorothy O'Mary

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees: March 19, 2013

It was moved by Trustee Maier, seconded by Trustee Brennan that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 19, 2013 be approved as presented.

Upon a call of the roll, the following voted:

Aye: Trustees Armstrong, Brennan, Clark, Lane, Maier, and Towne

Nay: None

Mayor Ray declared the motion carried and the minutes approved and placed on file.

D. APPROVAL OF BILLS

1. Bills Submitted for Payment, and Other Bills Paid by the Village treasurer in Anticipation of this meeting.

It was moved by Trustee Maier, seconded by Trustee Clark to approve bills submitted for payment and other bills already paid for a total amount of \$895,998.52

Upon a call of the roll, the following voted:

Aye: Trustees Armstrong, Brennan, Clark, Lane, Maier, and Towne

Nay: None

Mayor Ray declared the motion carried.

E. PUBLIC HEARING: Fiscal 2013-2014 Budget

Mayor Ray called the Public Hearing to order at 7:35 P.M. and upon a call of the roll, the following were:

Present: Trustees Armstrong, Brennan, Clark, Lane, Maier Towne and Mayor Ray

Absent: None

Mayor Ray declared a quorum present and noted that notice has been given pursuant to and in accordance with Article IV of Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Mettawa of 2001 as amended and the statutes of the State of Illinois, made and provided. Notice of this hearing has been published in the Daily Herald on April 5, 2013, and made available for public inspection at the office of the Village Clerk and in the foyer of the main entrance of the Hilton Garden Inn, where it has been posted since April 5, 2013.

He then introduced Finance Chairman/Trustee Maier who presented the 2013-2014 Budget and took questions from the Board and the audience. He stated that slow economic growth was projected.

Discussion ensued and after all were heard, it was moved by Trustee Maier, seconded by Trustee Towne to close the Public Hearing.

Upon a call of the roll, the following voted:

AYE: All

NAY: None

Mayor Ray declared the motion carried and the Public Hearing closed at 8:10 P.M.

F. TREASURER'S REPORT

Presentation of the Monthly Report for the Month of March, 2013

It was moved by Trustee Lane seconded by Trustee Maier that the Board acknowledge receipt of the monthly Treasurer's Report and place it on file.

Upon a call of the roll, the following voted:

Aye: Trustees Armstrong, Brennan, Clark, Lane, Maier, and Towne

Nay: None

Mayor Ray declared the motion carried.

Mayor Ray informed the Board the Finance Committee forecasts finishing the year above \$637,343, even with the following extra-ordinary expenses:

- Razing the Korhumel Home site and out buildings
- Building new trails at Whippoorwill Park
- Re-Paving several Village roads
- JAWA water expansion

Further, the rest of the Village financial report card is:

- \$7M in cash reserves
- \$9M current assets
- Total fixed assets of \$26.5M
- Debt of \$1.7M in bonds (Aa2 rating)

G. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. No citizens were heard
2. Written communications of citizens to be read
No written communication presented

H. COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION AND, IF SO DETERMINED, ACTION UPON

1. Finance Committee
 - a. Resignation of Treasurer Nick Lucca

Trustee Maier informed the Board the Treasurer Lucca has submitted his resignation.
 - b. Other Matters
 - i. Trustee Maier informed the Board that Trustee Lane and Financial Consultant O'Mary will be looking at other village's expenses to see how we compare
 - ii. Trustee Maier also reported that the committee will be looking at different ways of reporting the Lake Forest Tollway Oasis revenue sharing.
2. Public Works Committee
 - a. Update: Water Expansion

Trustee Armstrong reported that the area called "Area One" is now Special Service Area 15, and that the Committee is looking to form another Special Service Area for the residents just north of the railroad tracks on St. Marys Road, a portion of Little St. Marys and West Old School roads. The county wants the area defined and notice of where water will be used. He also reported that Attorney Ferolo is working on a recapture agreement for resident Dean Shaffer of 14866 W. Sanctuary Lane and that developer John Novak will be

paying for water for his development on the corner of St. Marys and Old School Road called "The Crest"

Discussion ensued regarding self- funding both water areas which will cost an estimated \$850,000.00. Attorney Ferolo stated that the banks may be interested now that two areas are involved and the amount to be funded has gone up.

Resident and former Treasurer Tom Lys of 25300 Nektosha Way suggested the Board look into possible no-tax arbitrage problems.

Discussion ensued regarding floating the interest rate.

- b. Discussion Regarding Bike Paths South of Route 60 and the Petitions Against Trails.

Trustee Armstrong stated that what is shown for trails in the current Comprehensive Plan is not workable due to the fact that the Forest Preserve will not allow trails on their land.

Mayor Ray suggested that perhaps these trails should be eliminated from the Comprehensive Plan update.

Trustees Clark and Brennan felt it should be left in

Trustee Lane likes the idea of a "loop" around the Village

Trustee Maier suggested keeping it in as a place holder but was against more trails.

Trustee Armstrong was concerned about crossing at Route 60.

Resident Franziska Lys of 25300 Nektosha Way, Mettawa presented points from her survey of the residents south of Route 60 regarding more trails.

Resident M.J. Anderson of 15595 W. Old School Road questioned the addition of more bike trails as the bikers seem to ride on the road and not the path.

Mayor Ray stated that further discussion could be held at a Committee of the Whole meeting and also the Zoning, Planning and Appeals Public Hearing once the Comprehensive Plan amendments are discussed.

- c. Other Matters

- i. Trustee Armstrong informed the Board that early spring cleanup around the Village will be happening shortly

- 3. Parks and Recreation Committee

- a. Whippoorwill Update

Trustee Towne informed the Board that the Committee is working on a master plan to combine the MOLA area and the Whippoorwill Park and that it will be present in the May meeting.

The berm on the corner of Route 60 and Riverwoods is still on target but the completion date will be dependent upon the weather.

b. Oasis Berm Update

Trustee Towne reported that a meeting with the Oasis Park neighbors went well and the plan had a positive response. Plan and bid specs are being worked on and bids will be sent out. The bids will be received by Village Engineers, James Anderson Company of Lake Bluff.

c. Communications From The Committee Regarding The Comprehensive Plan

Trustee Towne reported that the current Plan has been reviewed by Committee and needs more work. He pointed out that the current plan does not include a zoning Map. Also that the Oasis Business Park area needs revision and a Park map needs to be included. He suggested a Committee of the Whole meeting be held on the trail issues before the amendment recommendations go to the Zoning, Planning and Appeals Commission. Also, that the revised plan could be sent to the village as a whole prior to the Public Hearing.

d. Other Matters: No other matters presented for discussion

4. Safety Commissioner

a. Update: Village Security

Trustee Clark reported that all is quiet.

H. BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND, IF SO DETERMINED, ACTION UPON:

1. Mayor's Report

a. Update: Ordinance Abating Certain Additional Taxes Levied by the Village of Mettawa for Deerpath Farm

Mayor Ray reported that the bond has been paid off.

b. Comprehensive Plan – Resolution

Mayor Ray expressed his disappointment with the Board for the time it is taking as the need for revisions were first brought up in August of 2011.

Discussion ensued.

c. Village Hall Update

Discussion continued regarding the use of the Dreikosens home and property for a Village Hall and other options.

d. Western Open Status.

The Western Open will be held at Conway Farm September 12th through 15th, 2013.

Car Cards for residents in the Riverwoods Road area were discussed and it was agreed that they were necessary, as is the need for increased security.

The need for a Temporary Use Permit was raised and Village Engineer, Scott Anderson will look into it.

e. Blackboard Connect – Useful tool/too expensive?

Discussion ensued regarding the cost vs. usefulness of Blackboard Connect which has been used very little. Mayor Ray referred the matter to the Finance Committee for review and recommendation.

f. New Traffic Lights on Route 60 with Battery Back-up

Mayor Ray updated the Board that according to IDOT, the battery back-up system is supposed to be installed this summer (2013)

g. Installation Plans of LCFP Trail Along Everett Road

Mayor Ray updated the Board that this paved trail is scheduled for installation in 2015-2016

h. Building Report

Mayor Ray thanked Trustee Towne and Mr. Anderson for their report and with no questions being asked, placed it on file.

2. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** No items for consideration

3. NEW BUSINESS

The Mayor and the Board of Trustees unanimously consented to take a single Roll Call Vote on several items grouped together for voting purposes under the designation “Omnibus Vote”

It was moved by Trustee Lane, seconded by Trustee Maier that the Mayor and Board of Trustees approve items “a” through “h” under New Business and they be adopted as:

OMNIBUS VOTE

- a. Approval of **“An Ordinance Adopting the Annual Budget 2013-2014”** being **Ordinance No. 738**

OMNIBUS VOTE

- b. Approval of **“A Resolution Setting Forth the Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Mettawa For Fiscal Year 2013-2014”** being **Resolution No. 13-3**

OMNIBUS VOTE

- c. Approval of **“A Resolution Setting Forth the Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Finance Committee of the Village of Mettawa For Fiscal Year 2013-2014”** being **Resolution 13-4**

OMNIBUS VOTE

- d. Approval of **“A Resolution Setting Forth the Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Public Works Committee of the Village of Mettawa for Fiscal Year 2013-2014”** being **Resolution 13-5**

OMNIBUS VOTE

- e. Approval of **“A Resolution Setting Forth the Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Parks and Recreation Committee of the Village of Mettawa For Fiscal Year 2013-2014”** being **Resolution 13-6**

OMNIBUS VOTE

- f. Approval of **“A Resolution Setting Forth the Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Zoning, Planning and Appeals Commission of the Village of Mettawa For Fiscal Year 2013-2014”** being **Resolution 13-7**

OMNIBUS VOTE

- g. Approval of **“An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 737 Proposing the Establishment of Special Service Area Number 15 in the Village of Mettawa and Providing For a Public Hearing and Other Procedures in Connection Therewith”** being **Ordinance No. 739**

OMNIBUS VOTE

- h. Approval of “**A Resolutions Authorizing the Village President and Clerk to Execute an Agreement With Lake County for Retail Water Supply Services to Mettawa Old School Road Service Area**” being **Resolution 13-8**

Upon a call of the roll, the following voted:

AYE: Trustees Armstrong, Brennan, Clark, Lane, Maier and Towne
NAY: None

Mayor Ray declared the motion carried and items “a” through “h” in the omnibus vote adopted.

- i. Approval of “**A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Proposed Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan of the Village of Mettawa to the Village’s Zoning, Planning and Appeals Commission**”

This item is tabled.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:35 p.m., it was moved by Trustee Armstrong, seconded by Trustee Maier to recess to a closed Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of land acquisition, possible litigation, approval of Executive Session minutes and other related topics.

Upon a call of the roll, the following voted:

Aye: Trustees Armstrong, Brennan, Clark, Lane, Maier and Towne
Nay: None

Mayor Ray declared the motion carried and the Board recessed to Executive Session

J. CALL TO RECONVENE

At 10:15 p.m. Mayor Ray reconvened the public portion of the meeting.

K. ROLL CALL

Upon a call of the roll, the following were:

Present: Trustees Armstrong, Brennan, Clark, Lane, Maier Towne and Mayor Ray

Absent: None

Mayor Ray declared a quorum present.

Also present: Attorneys James V. Ferolo and Gregory T. Smith of Klein, Thorpe & Jenkins and Village Clerk, Cathy Nelson

L. MATTERS REQUIRING ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

No matters were brought forward.

M. ITEMS TO BE REFERRED

- i. Blackboard Connect referred to the Finance Committee
- ii. Village Hall referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee.

N. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

P. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct, it was moved by Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Armstrong that the meeting be adjourned.

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Mayor Ray declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

Cathy Nelson, Village Clerk