

**VILLAGE OF MATTESON BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2018**

**VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**4900 VILLAGE COMMONS, MATTESON, IL**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Village President Chalmers-Currin called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Clerk Brown called the roll. Elected Officials Present were Village President Chalmers-Currin, Trustee Brown, Trustee Cotton, Trustee Farr, Trustee Hardin. Trustee Satchell arrived at 7:37 p.m.

**ABSENT TRUSTEES:** Trustee Shorter

**STAFF PRESENT:** Anthony Burton, Deputy Village Administrator/Director of Recreational Services; Michael Jones, Police Chief; Ray O. Agbabiaka, Director of Community Development; Ben Wilson, Director of Economic Development; LaVern Murphy, Deputy Director of Economic Development; Gordon Hardin, Superintendent of Public Works; Chris Schwalbe, Fire Chief; Kathleen Murray, Director of Human Resources; Toni Ashmore, Director of Community Affairs; Angie Simington, Deputy Village Clerk/Recording Secretary.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY PRESENT:** Felicia Frazier, Odelson Sterk, LTD

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Lavern Murphy presented business retention update, stating that Staff has been visiting businesses and reaching out to owners to discuss continued partnership with the village.

Ben Wilson presented economic development update, stating that McDonalds has been upgraded, Applewood Nursing home is continuing to upgrade, JN Michaels is being demolished and a new building will be built. He also summarized a proposed four thousand square feet facility as well as the proposed Pete's Market.

Deputy Administrator Burton announced opportunity for public to get involved in Economic Development Team/Task Force. He said the team will be comprised of local Government, State Representatives, local churches, schools and the public. The mission of the task force will be to 1. Identify the cause of the issues with economic development. 2 Come up with a strategy for improvement. 3. Research best practices (looking at what is working and not working for other towns). And 4. Devise a plan for Matteson. He said that the Task Force should be up and running within the next couple weeks.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:** Mr. Bert Bell asked why the Route 30/Kostner Street repair is taking so long. Mr. Hardin said that the asphalt company had to finish a State job first. Mr. Bell asked if the asphalt company will be penalized for the delay. Mr. Hardin said the situation is currently being discussed.

Mr. Dwayne Shipp asked how much residents are going to have to pay to have a grocery store. He said that Police and Fire pension fund debt will soon come due and that the Rec. Center debt is still being paid. He said that the Water Contract expires in 2020.

Ms. Robbie Craig asked what the difference will be between the proposed Economic Task Force and the one from 2014. President Chalmers-Currin said that one big difference will be that she is a part of the 2018 Economic Task Force. Ms. Craig asked if the Village consulted other towns concerning Economic Development. The Village President said yes.

Ms. Donna Miller announced a new Women’s Health Care Center on Governors Highway and Vollmer Road. She said that the facility will help Women who may not be able to afford healthcare.

Mr. David Barn, Candidate for State Representative introduced himself, gave a summary of his platform and encouraged residents to stop shopping in other communities.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Trustee Brown made a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Satchell.

Aye: Brown, Cotton, Farr, Hardin, Satchell

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Shorter

**Consent Agenda Items:**

- Consideration of Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable-APPROVED

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:**

NONE.

**ACTIVE AGENDA**

**CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AWARDING OF CONTRACTS:**

Trustee Hardin made a Motion to adopt a Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of all contracts through Alliant/Mesirow Insurance Services relating to the renewal of benefits with no change to existing coverages for elected officials/staff/retirees and Southcom employees for Plan Year February 1, 2018 through January 31, 2019, as presented. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

Aye: Brown, Cotton, Farr, Hardin, Satchell

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Shorter

Trustee Brown made a Motion to adopt a Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of an Economic Incentive Agreement between the Village of Matteson and Route 30 and Governors LLC, as presented. Seconded by Trustee Satchell.

Aye: Brown, Cotton, Farr, Hardin, Satchell

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Shorter

**COMMENTS BY VILLAGE OFFICIALS:** Trustee Farr commended the Public Works Department for doing a good job of keeping the streets clear despite difficult situations such as frozen fuel lines and residential pipes freezing.

Trustee Brown said that Economic Development is difficult and he encourages residents to get involved in the Economic Development Task Force.

Trustee Satchell said that he attended an interesting meeting concerning redlining.

Trustee Hardin congratulated Ms. Ashmore and the Community Affairs Department for a successful Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. program

President Chalmers-Currin thanked Ms. Ashmore and the Community Affairs Department for coordinating and presenting the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. program

The Village Clerk said that the deadline to register to vote in the March 2018 election is February 20, 2018.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Trustee Satchell made a Motion for Adjournment at 8:30 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

Aye: Brown, Cotton, Farr, Hardin, Satchell

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Shorter

Respectfully Submitted,

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Yumeka Brown

Village Clerk