

**VILLAGE OF MATTESON BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 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, Trustee Shorter.

**ABSENT TRUSTEE(S):** None

**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; Gordon Hardin, Superintendent of Public Works; Chris Schwalbe, Fire Chief; Kathleen Murray, Director of Human Resources; Ron Heller, Finance Director/Budget Officer; Toni Ashmore, Director of Community Affairs; Angie Simington, Deputy Village Clerk/Recording Secretary.

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**SWEARING IN:** Kendrick Hawkins was sworn into the position of Police Officer by Clerk Brown.

**PRESENTATION-FY 2016/2017 Annual Budget.** Edward T. McCormick, CPA of Mulcahy, Pauritsch, Salvador & Co. Ltd summarized the 2016/2017 budget.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:** Robbie Craig asked to see more advertisement from the Village encouraging residents to shop at the stores that are still operating in the Village. She also mentioned that an article in the Tribune questioned the Red-Light Camera program.

President Chalmers-Currin responded to Robbie Craig's comments, and advised that Economic Development has been and continues to meet with stores in the Village and Matteson. Residents receive less than 10% of the red-light tickets issued. Chief Jones said that several entities review the red-light videos before a ticket is issued. He said that due process is always followed and three hearings a month are held for anyone who wishes to contest a ticket. Trustee Satchell commented that a person can view the video on line if there is a question concerning the issuance of a red-light ticket.

Brenda Mitchell came before the board to thank the Matteson Police Department for their efforts, apprehension, and prosecution of the person responsible for murdering her son in gun violence several years ago. She shared a heartfelt thank you with the Board and a special thank you to Chief Jones for his part in investigating the incident.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Trustee Brown made a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Trustee Shorter.

Aye: Brown, Cotton, Farr, Hardin, Satchell, Shorter

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**Consent Agenda Items:**

- Consideration of Minutes of the meeting of February 5, 2018-APPROVED
- Consideration of Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable-APPROVED
- Consideration of a Temporary Class "H" Liquor License to St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish for its annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner to be held on March 17, 2018 -APPROVED
- Consideration of an Ordinance amending Chapter 111, of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Matteson decreasing the number of Class F liquor licenses by two -APPROVED

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:**

None

**ACTIVE AGENDA**

**APPOINTMENT:**

Trustee Brown made a Motion to accept the appointment of Rob Heller to the position of Director of Finance/Budget Officer. Seconded by Trustee Satchell.

Aye: Brown, Cotton, Farr, Hardin, Satchell, Shorter

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Satchell made a Motion to approve and authorize execution of the non-binding Letter of Intent to the City of Hammond, Indiana for the proposed Lake Michigan Water Project, as presented. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

Aye: Brown, Cotton, Farr, Hardin, Satchell, Shorter

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Trustee Brown made a Motion to pass the six Ordinances abating the taxes levied in Series 2003A, 2006, 2008, 2011A, 2011B, and 2017 General Obligation Bonds, as presented. Seconded by Trustee Satchell.

Aye: Brown, Farr, Hardin, Satchell, Shorter

Nay: None

Abstain: Cotton

Absent: None

Trustee Farr commended the Public Works Department for taking care of the flooding issues that recently occurred in the Village and she reminded everyone of the dangers of going around the barricades that the department places in flooded areas.

President Chalmers-Currin commended the Public Works Department for taking care of the flooding issues that recently occurred in the Village.

Trustee Satchell commended everyone involved in hosting the first annual breakfast for local businesses.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Trustee Brown made a Motion for Adjournment at 8:20 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Satchell.

Aye: Brown, Cotton, Farr, Hardin, Satchell, Shorter

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Respectfully Submitted,

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Yumeka Brown

Village Clerk