

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF THE MATTESON VILLAGE HALL
4900 VILLAGE COMMONS
ON THIS 17TH OF JUNE 2002

President Stricker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Clerk Grisco called the roll and the following Trustees answered present:

ROLL CALL

- Shirley Green
- Allan Johnson
- Andre' Ashmore
- Allene Maxwell

Trustee Brown and Trustee Motton were not in attendance.

Also present were: David Mekarski, Village Administrator; Joe Perozzi, Village Attorney; Hildy Kingma, Director of Community Development; Rita Miotti, Contract and Management Services Coordinator; Cyndi Zeibert, Recording Secretary; and the Star Newspaper.

a) President Stricker presented the Minutes of the Public Hearing of June 3, 2002 for additions, deletions or corrections.

CONSIDERATION OF
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC
HEARING MEETING OF
JUNE 3, 2002

Trustee Green moved to approve the Minutes of the Public Hearing of June 3, 2002 as presented. Seconded by Trustee Johnson.

- AYES: (3) Green, Johnson, and Maxwell
- NAYS:(0)
- ABSTAIN: (1) Ashmore
- ABSENT: (2) Brown and Motton

b) President Stricker presented the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 3, 2002 for additions, deletions or corrections.

CONSIDERATION OF
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD
MEETING OF JUNE 3, 2002

The following corrections were made:

Insert (Trustee) **Brown's** name to the list of names recording the vote of AYES on the following: Page 06-28-02, a) Treasurers Report and b) Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable; Page 06-30-02, Agenda Item #1; Page 06-31-02, Items #2, 3, & 4; Page 06-32-02, Agenda Items # 5 & 6; Page 06-33-02, Item #7; and Page 06-34-02, Agenda Item #8. (NOTE: Trustee Brown's vote was included in the

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count, but his name was inadvertently excluded from the list of names)

Trustee Maxwell moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 3, 2002 as corrected. Seconded by Trustee Green.

- AYES: (3) Green, Johnson, and Maxwell
- NAYS:(0)
- ABSTAIN: (1) Ashmore
- ABSENT: (2) Brown and Motton

a) President Stricker presented the Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable as submitted.

CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

SALARY, OVERTIME AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Trustee Ashmore moved to accept the Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Maxwell.

- AYES: (4) Green, Johnson, Ashmore and Maxwell
- NAYS:(0)
- ABSTAIN: (0)
- ABSENT: (2) Brown and Motton

(Trustee Brown arrived at 7:38 p.m.)

a) President Stricker read the Proclamation declaring June 19, 2002 as “Chicago Southland ALLIANCE Day”.

COMMENTS BY VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Trustee Ashmore attended the Housing and Human Relations meeting on June 5th, and stated they finalized their annual report, which will be forthcoming to the Board. On June 15th, he attended the Woodgate Homeowners Association picnic and the Creekside Homeowner’s Association Picnic. Both were well attended and a very good time.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Green attended the triennial neighborhood map meeting for Rich Township on June 10th; where they draw the lines within the township that reflect property of equal value.

Trustee Maxwell attended the meeting regarding the merger of A. T. & T. Broadband and Comcast. She attended the workshop presented by the PAR Group outlining the search for the Police Chief and is enthused of the fact that they will be getting feedback from groups/organizations in Matteson.

Trustee Johnson also attended the PAR Group meeting, and commented in favor of

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the thought to get feedback from Matteson groups/organizations.

Trustee Brown attended the A. T. & T./Comcast merger meeting and stated he feels it offers a lot of promise. He too attended the Woodgate and Creekside Homeowner Picnics and felt they were both excellent affairs. He commented that he looks forward to the Police Chief search, stating the PAR Group is very thorough.

President Stricker and the Board members congratulated Director Ramsey and his entire staff on a spectacular job in regards to the Matteson Fest. They received positive comments from many residents. They were all able to attend the Fest, and thought it to be one of the best they have every attended. President Stricker and the Board extended their condolences to Administrator Mekarski and his family for the loss of his mother.

President Stricker referred to Opportunity for Public Comment.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Ramsey, 4222 Oakwood Lane – He commented, as a parent with three children, he looked forward to the A. T. & T./Comcast merger.

Rick Meeks, 628 Academy – He commented that the Matteson Fest was put together very well. He also stated that the prairie-type landscaping at the Village Hall needs a little work. Administrator Mekarski stated the original designer has been notified to discuss how to eliminate the weeds without disturbing the natural prairie setting. Director Ramsey stated that the landscape takes five years to transpire into the defined development and it is presently only in the third year.

Sean Mitchell, 612 Goldenrod Circle – He would like to see a focus on businesses within the community; possibly more articles within the Matteson Avenue. He suggested that the Village look within the community before going elsewhere in regards to the search for a new Police Chief, President Stricker commented that anyone who is qualified should definitely apply.

President Stricker reminded everyone that a Business After Hours would be held at The Jewelry Store at 5609 Vollmer Road. He also wanted to commend Rita Miotti on her noble cause for completing the Walk for Breast Cancer extending from Kenosha to Chicago.

There were no bids or awarding of contracts to be considered.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AWARDING OF CONTRACTS

1) In March 2002, a formal request was received for consent for transfer of control of AT&T Broadband, the company holding the franchise for cable television

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for the Village, to AT&T Comcast Corporation. Section 617 of the Cable Act provides a timetable and procedure by which franchising authorities have 120 days to consider the transfer of ownership or control of a cable system from an incumbent cable operator to an acquiring operator. The Village participated in a joint effort coordinated by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association to review the legal, technical and financial qualifications of AT&T Comcast Corporation. This Due Diligence Project has been completed and a Final Report submitted to the participating communities, a copy of which was provided to the Board for review prior to the meeting. In summary, this Due Diligence Project has determined that AT&T Comcast Corporation will satisfy legal, financial and technical qualifications required by the municipalities and counties participating in the project. It is the recommendation of the consultants that "The participants should be confident that the creation of AT&T Comcast Corporation would have the resources and the commitment to correct system deficiencies and improve service."

CONSIDERATION OF AN
ORDINANCE GRANTING
A TRANSFER OF
CONTROL FROM AT&T
BROADBAND TO AT&T
COMCAST
CORPORATION

Trustee Brown moved that the Board approve the Ordinance Consenting to the Transfer of Control of the Cable Television Franchisee from AT&T Broadband to AT&T Comcast Corporation. Seconded by Trustee Ashmore.

AYES: (5) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Motton

2) The staff is requesting that the Board authorize proceeding with the steps necessary to obtain bids for the sale of the apartment building currently owned by the Village and located at 4040 Lindenwood Drive. A staff memo detailing the history of this matter was attached for further consideration.

Trustee Green moved that the Village Board authorize staff to proceed with the necessary steps to obtain bids for the sale of the 4040 Lindenwood Drive Apartment Building. Seconded by Trustee Maxwell.

CONSIDERATION OF A
RECOMMENDATION TO
PROCEED WITH THE SALE
OF THE 4040
LINDENWOOD
APARTMENT BUILDING

AYES: (5) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Motton

(Trustee Motton arrived at 8:26 p.m.)

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3) In 1999, a concept was developed by Police Officer Al Romano, Public Works Administrative Assistant Wanda Tippie and Public Works Construction Superintendent Doug LoSchiavo for a system of flashing lights and gates to be utilized to warn motorists and close off access to the viaducts on Governors Highway when they are flooded.

The idea for this type of system was presented to State Representative Renee Kosel and the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association's Transportation Committee for potential funding. As a result, Representative Kosel was able to secure funding from the Governor's Illinois First Program in the amount of \$42,000 and the SSMMA was able to secure approximately \$100,000 through the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) funds for the design, installation and construction of this project.

The features of the system proposed include:

Water level sensors (floats) in the viaducts that will detect the depth of water within the viaduct causing the system to activate at a certain level

- Wireless data links to Matteson Village for notification of activation of the system
- Variable message advance warning signs to warn motorists of the flood condition and closing of the viaducts

Flashing warning beacons

Manually actuated swing gates to close off access to the viaduct

- Battery and/or solar powered backup for the sensors, data links, and light systems

Notification to IDOT that the system is activated

Because Governors Highway is a State of Illinois roadway and due to the fact that the funding for the project is being provided through programs administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), it was necessary to develop an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village and these two agencies for the purpose of establishing terms and conditions for the design, installation, construction, maintenance and operation of this project. The development and negotiation of the terms of this Agreement have taken over a year to work out. However, it is believed that we now have a document that is acceptable to all three parties (Village, IDOT, and IDNR).

A copy of the proposed Intergovernmental Agreement was attached for review. In summary it provides for the following:

\$42,000 in funding from the Fund for Illinois Future (IDNR)

\$100,000 in funding from the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) funds

CONSIDERATION OF A
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE
EXECUTION OF AN
INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE VILLAGE, IDOT AND
IDNR RELATING TO THE
GOVERNORS HIGHWAY
VIADUCT PROJECT

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The Village will be responsible for contracting for the design and construction of the project.

IDOT retains the right to approve plans and specifications for the project

IDOT retains ownership of Governors Highway and accepts ownership of the project equipment after its installation

The Village will be responsible for routine maintenance of the project improvements and electrical energy and communication service charges related to the project

IDOT will be responsible for major repairs or replacement of the improvements.

The Village will be responsible for closing the swing gates once the system is activated and notifying IDOT of its activation

IDOT will be responsible for de-activation of the system after inspection of the roadway and cleaning of debris.

The Village Attorney, Public Works Director, Village Engineer and the Contract and Management Services Coordinator, have reviewed the document and felt it is in a format that reflects the intent of the project. IDOT and IDNR representatives have reviewed the document as well, and have indicated general concurrence, however, the final draft was only recently completed, based upon their last comments, and is in final review at this time.

Trustee Johnson moved that the Village Board adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of Matteson, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the Illinois Department of Transportation Related to the Governors Highway Viaduct Project, as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Ashmore.

AYES: (6) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
Motton and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

4) On June 3, 2002, the Board of Trustees directed the Village Attorney to prepare an Ordinance Amending the Museum Advisory Board. The ordinance amending the Museum Advisory Board entails the job description for Museum Board members, (which includes the amount of commitment expected, length of tenure and members' responsibilities), and has been prepared by the Village Attorney and provided for approval.

Trustee Green moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Ordinance amending Chapter 32, entitled "Departments, Boards and Commissions" of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Matteson Relative to the Museum Advisory Board. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

CONSIDERATION OF AN
ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE MUSEUM ADVISORY
BOARD

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AYES: (6) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
Motton and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

5) The Village of Matteson would like to express their gratitude and appreciation to School District # 162 on the occasion of their Sesquicentennial Celebration. A resolution has been prepared to honor and commend Matteson School District #162 for their 150 years of outstanding growth and continued quality education to the children of Matteson.

Trustee Green moved that the Board of Trustees adopt the Resolution Supporting the Sesquicentennial Celebration of Matteson School District #162. Seconded by Trustee Motton.

AYES: (6) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
Motton and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

6) A petition was requested for a Special Use Permit required by Section 159.55 (J) (2) (b) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the erection of an oversized real estate sign in the MXD zoning district.

Mid-Continent Construction Company is requesting the Special Use Permit to erect a real estate sign that measures 16 feet long by 8 feet high or 128 square feet in area. The sign will be located on Lot 11 of Corporate Lakes of Matteson along the I-57 frontage. (See Exhibit 5.1)

The requested sign is smaller than the size of the largest real estate signs that have received a Special Use Permit in the Village. Oversized real estate signs were approved for the Matteson Commons property for three 280 square feet signs, Providence Manor for one 200 square feet sign, Meritex Development for one 200 square feet sign, and the Manheim Business Park for four 128 square feet signs.

The proposed sign design is a white background with red and black lettering and the realtor's logo along the left side of the sign. (See Exhibit 5.2)

After considering this item at the June 6 Plan Commission meeting, the Commission found that this request met the required findings and recommended approval of the

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CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION FROM THE VILLAGE OF MATTESON SUPPORTING THE SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF MATTESON SCHOOL DISTRICT #162

CONSIDERATION OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR MID-CONTINENT CONSTRUCTION COMPANY TO ERECT AN OVERSIZED REAL ESTATE SIGN AT CORPORATE LAKES OF MATTESON

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Special Use Permit.

Trustee Brown moved that the Board of Trustees approve a Special Use Permit for Mid-Continent Construction Company to allow the erection of a 128 square foot real estate sign in the MXD zoning district and to direct the Village Attorney to prepare an Ordinance. Seconded by Trustee Johnson.

AYES: (6) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
Motton and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

7) Public Hearing No. 593ZBA was held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on May 16, 2002, and June 6, 2002 to consider a request for a variance from Section 159.30 (N) (7) of the Zoning Ordinance, to exceed the maximum height restrictions for accessory buildings.

The Petitioners, Mr. & Mrs. James Cranston, are planning to convert the existing attached garage to an additional bedroom and family room while constructing a detached garage behind the existing home in order to meet the Zoning Ordinance requirements of a two-car garage. In doing this they are requesting a 2-foot height variance in order to erect a taller detached garage in their rear yard for storage purposes. Section 159.30 (N) (7) of the Zoning Ordinance limits the height of accessory buildings to 14 feet. Mr. & Mrs. Cranston wish to erect a 16-foot tall garage. Exhibit 4.1 is a survey, which shows the lot, the location of the existing home, the proposed detached garage and the configuration of the driveway extension around the south side of the house to the new garage. This driveway extension will provide adequate access to the proposed detached garage and could be installed up to the property line.

CONSIDERATION OF A
GARAGE HEIGHT
VARIANCE AT 21153
KILDARE

The Zoning Board of Appeals believes that the requested variance meets the required findings since the subject property abuts the Matteson Plaza Shopping Center and a majority of the lot is not easily accessible. The Zoning Board of Appeals also believes that the increase of 2 feet in height for the garage would not negatively impact the surrounding area or alter the character of the surrounding area. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommended approval of the Variance on June 6, 2002 with no conditions.

Trustee Brown moved that the Board of Trustees approve a variance to Section 159.30 (N) (7) to exceed the maximum accessory building height standards by 2 feet on property located at 21153 South Kildare, and direct the Village Attorney to prepare an Ordinance. Seconded by Trustee Johnson.

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AYES: (6) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
Motton and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

8) The Plan Commission recommended approval of a Final Plat for Matteson Auto Mall, Unit 4 on June 6, 2002, with no conditions.

This Final Plat includes Lots 8, 13 & 14 as designated on the Preliminary Plat. Lot 8 is on Auto Court and would be developed as a portion of *Planet Honda*. Lots 13 & 14 are near the south end of the Auto Mall on Central Avenue. Lots 13 & 14 would be developed in the future.

According to Section 151.11(A)(3)(d) of the Subdivision Code, approval of the Final Plat is intended to be automatic if the plat conforms closely to the approved Preliminary Plat and approved engineering plans. Staff finds that the submitted Final Plat conforms to the previously approved Preliminary Plat for the Matteson Auto Mall and is in compliance with the Subdivision Code.

CONSIDERATION OF A
FINAL PLAT FOR
MATTESON AUTO MALL,
UNIT 4 LOCATED IN THE
MATTESON AUTO MALL

Trustee Brown moved that the Board approve a Final Plat for Matteson Auto Mall, Unit 4, as presented. Seconded by Trustee Johnson.

AYES: (6) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
Motton and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

Trustee Ashmore reminded everyone of the Housing and Human Relations meeting to be held on June 19th, 2002 at 7:30 p.m.

Trustee Motton informed the Board that he would be having surgery on June 27th, and therefore might not be in attendance for the July 1st Board meeting.

Trustee Maxwell thanked Director Kingma and staff for her support of Butterfield and the two new Butterfield entrance monuments.

OTHER BUSINESS

All wished Trustee Motton well on his surgery.

Administrator Mekarski reminded everyone of the: Alliance Day at the Tinley Park Convention Center on Wednesday, June 19, 2002; the groundbreaking ceremony

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for the new fire station at 9:00 on Thursday, June 20, 2002; and the 'State of the Villages' luncheon to be held at the Holiday Inn in Matteson on Tuesday, June 25, 2002. He also thanked everyone for their condolences.

Clerk Grisco commented that she was a judge for the talent show at the Matteson Fest, which was very enjoyable, and attended the Clerk Association meeting in Richton Park on June 6, 2002.

President Stricker reminded everyone to make their reservations for the 'State of the Villages' luncheon, which would include five surrounding communities.

Trustee Brown moved that the Board adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:55 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Maxwell.

AYES: (6) Green, Johnson, Brown, Ashmore,
Motton and Maxwell

NAYS:(0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk