

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF THE MATTESON VILLAGE HALL
4900 VILLAGE COMMONS
ON THIS 19th DAY OF JUNE 2006

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

Andre Ashmore
Emmanuel Imoukhuede
Allan Johnson
Carol Marshall
Usher Sawyer, III

Trustee Motton was absent.

Also present were: Joseph Perozzi, Village Attorney; Lafayette Linear, Village Administrator/Finance Director; Robert Crouch, Human Resource Director; Nick Wilkens, Acting Fire Chief; Jan Dinnocenzo, Recording Secretary; and the media.

**COMMENTS BY
VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

President Stricker acknowledged and welcomed Dr. Mary D. Clark and her students from Governors State University.

a) Trustee Committee
Reports

Board members reported their attendance at various meetings and functions and thanked Kamilah Jones and all staff involved in helping with Matteson Fest.

Trustee Ashmore reported that the Housing and Human Relations Commission will meet on Thursday, June 22, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. and encouraged all Board members to attend.

Trustee Johnson reported on the various items heard by the Plan Commission at their June 15 meeting and noted that the next meeting of the Plan Commission will be on July 6, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

Trustee Marshall reported that the Matteson Police Department participated in the Special Olympics Torch Run on June 14 and the Dollars for Scholars held a Rummage Sale last Friday and Saturday. She also thanked the Matteson Fire and Police Departments, as well as the various ESDA's that responded, for their support in ensuring the safety of visitors to Matteson Fest

President Stricker announced that the Matteson Area Chamber of Commerce will hold the State of the Villages Luncheon on June 27 and the Holiday Inn will celebrate their Grand Re-opening on June 21.

Dr. Mary D. Clark, Professor at Governors State University, thanked the Board for welcoming her and her "Introduction to Public Administration" students.

Mr. Vernell Drummond, 916 Warwick Drive, stated that he felt the boulevard maintenance issues he previously presented to the Board had not been resolved. He also stated that he wanted to see an active park rather than a passive park in his neighborhood. It was noted that the current weather conditions provide for excellent plant growth; however, the developer is doing his best at maintaining public areas. As to the park, it was noted that the developer does portray that park as a green space only. The Village periodically budgets monies for park equipment for such green spaces; however, due to funding constraints, it was necessary to develop a schedule whereby typically only one park is enhanced per year.

Ms. Mary Jo Baker, 22 Oakview Road, expressed her concern over recent media reports of gang activity increasing in the south suburbs. It was noted that while gang activity goes on all over, the Matteson Police Department is very cognizant of the situation and will continue to stay on top of such issues. Ms. Baker also inquired as to the definition of mortgage fraud. It was briefly explained that mortgage fraud would be when loan applicants are purposely misled regarding the values of homes, monies to be lent, and/or interest rates to be charged.

Ms. Horne, 11 Wedgewood, stated she operates a day care from her home and noted that clients have been receiving tickets for obstructing the sidewalk when they park briefly to pick up their children. She was referred to the Police Department for resolution of this matter.

President Stricker presented the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Board approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Seconded by Trustee Johnson.

AYES: (5) Ashmore, Imoukhuede, Johnson,
Marshall and Sawyer
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Motton

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting of
June 5, 2006

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B. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

1. Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable

C. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AWARDING OF CONTRACTS

1. The Board of Trustees award the contract for the FY 06-07 Street Maintenance Program to the low bidder, Gallagher Asphalt Corporation, at the unit prices submitted totaling \$345,284.09. – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. The Board pass an Ordinance establishing Prevailing Wage Rates within the Village of Matteson, Cook County, Illinois, for the period June 1, 2006 until May 31, 2007. – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable

C.CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AWARDING OF CONTRACTS

1. FY 06-07 Street Maintenance Program

D.NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Establishing Prevailing Wage Rates for FY 06-07

7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA - None

8. ACTIVE AGENDA

A.CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Treasurer's Report – May, 2006

B.OTHER BUSINESS

1. Fire Department Arbitration

Village Administrator/Finance Director Lafayette Linear read the Treasurer's Report for May 31, 2006.

Trustee Ashmore moved to accept the Treasurer's report for May 31, 2006 as presented. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

AYES: (5) Ashmore, Imoukhuede, Johnson,
Marshall and Sawyer
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Motton

President Stricker noted that the Board had received a report regarding the Fire Department Arbitration.

Trustee Ashmore moved to accept the proposed contract with the Fire Department Union. Seconded by Trustee Sawyer.

AYES: (5) Ashmore, Imoukhuede, Johnson,
Marshall and Sawyer
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Motton

2. Consideration of Finance
Director Appointment

Attorney Perozzi clarified the discrepancy between the titles of Budget Officer and Finance Director. He noted that the Statute states that since the Village has adopted the budget form of government, there must be a Budget Officer.

President Stricker submitted the name of Gregory P. Meyers to fill the position of Budget Officer.

Trustee Imoukhuede moved that the Board approve the appointment of Mr. Gregory P. Meyers as the Budget Officer for the Village of Matteson. Seconded by Trustee Sawyer.

AYES: (5) Ashmore, Imoukhuede, Johnson,
Marshall and Sawyer
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Motton

3. Request for Executive
Session – *No one requested
an Executive Session*

Trustee Ashmore reminded everyone of the Housing and Human Relations Commission meeting to be held on Thursday, June 22, at 7:00 p.m. He also suggested that the Board consider the formation of a water commission to study the long range future needs of the Village.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Trustee Johnson reminded everyone that the next Plan Commission meeting will be on Thursday, July 6, 2006.

Trustee Sawyer thanked all the residents for attending the meeting and encouraged everyone to get involved.

Trustee Marshall thanked everyone for attending the meeting and stated she would be distributing an article to the Board regarding property taxes and how they affect businesses and schools in the southland.

Trustee Imoukhuede thanked all the residents, as well as the students from Governors State University, for attending the meeting.

Administrator Linear introduced the new Budget Officer, Mr. Gregory Meyers.

Mr. Mike Murray, Superintendent of Public Works, noted that the power outage that was experienced earlier in the day has been repaired.

Attorney Perozzi reported that the sale of Lot 7 to Lincoln Mall was completed, with the sale price being 100% of the appraised value.

President Stricker reviewed the history and circumstances that led to the Village's acquisition of Lake Michigan water from Oak Lawn and noted that there is a need to loop the water system.

Trustee Marshall moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:19 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Sawyer.

ADJOURNMENT

AYES: (5) Ashmore, Imoukhuede, Johnson,
Marshall and Sawyer
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Motton

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk