

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 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER 2008

President André B. Ashmore 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

Emmanuel Imoukhuede
Kevin Little
Nathaniel Motton, Jr.
Anthony Burton
Sam Brown

Also present were: Joseph Perozzi, Village Attorney; Lafayette Linear, Village Administrator; Gregory Bates, Director of Parks & Recreation; Norm Burnson, Acting Police Chief; Rick Smeaton, Director of Community Development; Brian Mitchell, Director of Human Resources; Vince Laoang, Director of Public Works; Gloria Gibson, Budget Officer; Nick Wilkins, Acting Fire Chief; Angela Simington, Recording Secretary.

The following Trustees were absent:
Usher Sawyer III

Trustee Motton (recording secretary was not present during this report).

**COMMENTS BY
VILLAGE OFFICIALS**
a. Trustee Committee Reports

Trustee Burton reported that he attended the South Suburban Police Chief's Meeting.

Trustee Little reported that he attended the Matteson Community Center Ground-breaking and expects the ribbon cutting to be in about 18 months. He also attended a meeting with the Plan Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission and Architects of the Matteson Community Center and many issues were discussed. He reported that he attended a mock Presidential Debate at Huth Middle School, was very impressed with the excellent job the students did and congratulates staff, students and administrators for a successful debate.

Trustee Imoukhuede did not have a report.

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President Ashmore reported that he attended the Matteson Community Center Ground-breaking and thanks all who attended and participated. He congratulated Huth Middle Staff and Students for a successful debate and stated that he could not attend due to scheduling conflict. He reported that he presented a Proclamation to Arcadia School in recognition of the students reaching the 100th percentile on the ISAT. He reported that a Memorial Service honoring the life of President Mark W. Stricker will be held on Saturday November 8, 2008 at 10:30 a.m.

President Ashmore presented the Consent Agenda.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Motton made a Motion to pass the items on the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Trustee Little.

AYES: (5) Brown, Motton, Little, Imoukhuede, Burton
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0) Sawyer III

A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting of October 20, 2008 – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

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B. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable– *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

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C. OLD BUSINESS

1. The Board of Trustees approve an Ordinance creating the Special Use for a Planned Unit Development for the 13.3 acre parcel located on the southeast corner of Ridgeland Avenue and Lincoln Highway as presented. – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Authorizing and Granting a Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit

Development to HGS Investments LLC within a MXD Zoning District Pursuant to Section 159.62 of Matteson Zoning Ordinance.

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None

Trustee Brown made a Motion to approve an Ordinance Granting a Variance to Kimberly Keane for 6234 Vincent Lane; Pursuant to Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Matteson, Section 159.30(D), as presented. Seconded by Trustee Imoukhuede.

AYES: (5) Brown, Motton, Little, Imoukhuede, Burton
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Sawyer III

Trustee Imoukhuede made a Motion to approve a Resolution Indicating Municipal Approval for Cook County Class 8 Status for Bannockburn Stonegate Development, LLC. Seconded by Trustee Motton.

AYES: (5) Brown, Motton, Little, Imoukhuede, Burton
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Sawyer III

Trustee Brown made a Motion to approve a Resolution requesting the Illinois Attorney General take immediate steps to initiate an investigation into price manipulating and anti-competitive activities by salt companies in violation of the laws of this State and the United States. Seconded by Trustee Little.

AYES: (5) Brown, Motton, Little, Imoukhuede, Burton
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Sawyer III

Mr. James Hawk of 6516 Bluesky Lane stated that Frankfort Park District is listed on the tax bill of the residents of his subdivision and some of the

8. ACTIVE AGENDA

A. OLD BUSINESS

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Granting a Variance to Kimberly Keane for 6234 Vincent Lane.

2. Consideration of a Resolution Indicating Municipal Approval for Cook County Class 8 Status for Bannockburn Stonegate Development

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of a Resolution Requesting the Illinois Attorney General Investigate Road Salt prices.

PUBLIC COMMENT

residents met with the Frankfort Park District to discuss the matter.

Administrator Linear stated that the staff is aware that Frankfort Park District is listed on the tax bill of residents of the Glen Eagle subdivision, that when the property was annexed into the Village it remained in the Frankfort Park District and that 51% of the residents need to sign a petition to opt out of Frankfort Park District. He reported that staff is working on the issue.

Attorney Perozzi asked Administrator Linear to send him any documentation he has as well as a copy of Mr. Hawk's tax bill. He also asked the Administrator to find out how much the residents have paid to the Village of Frankfort Park thus far. He reported that he will look into the matter as well as soon as possible.

President Ashmore stated that he is disappointed that the Board was not made aware of this matter sooner and that the Board should be made aware of any meetings such as this involving residents.

Trustee Little asked the Administrator to find out how this issue affects other subdivisions within the Village.

Trustee Motton asked the Administrator to find out if the residents will get a refund on any money they've paid to the Frankfort Park District so far.

Trustee Imoukhuede stated that issues like this should not be left up to the residents to solve but that staff should be taking care of it.

Mr. Charles Percy Alexander Sr., of 36 Willow Road stated that he appreciates the Matteson Police Department's response to his recent 911 call. He also thanked all Veterans for serving this country.

Ms. Dora Foster of 508 Apian Way stated that her son Devin Griffin was allegedly mistreated by the Matteson Police Department on October 26, 2008 while he was being detained at the Police Station. She mentioned a particular Police Department Staff member as the sole culprit of this mistreatment. She quoted some derogatory comments allegedly made toward her by the officer. She asked for help getting her \$1000 bail money back because she felt she should not have had to pay it and she also stated that her son nearly missed his going away party in honor of his commitment to the Navy due to this incident with the Police Department.

Ms. Dorothy Reynolds of 839 Harvard Lane stated that everyone should follow the law and that those who do not should pay the consequence but that everyone has a right to be treated like a human being.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Trustee Motton stated that he is thankful for the Veterans who have served this country and that those Veterans should be remembered and honored on this coming Veterans day. He congratulated Huth Middle School for a successful debate and stated that he regrets that he couldn't attend. He encouraged voters to be patient in the long lines at the polls on November 4, 2008. He stated that the Foster/Griffin matter will be looked into and wished Mr. Griffin well in the Navy.

Trustee Burton reported that he attended an incredible mock presidential debate at Illinois School on the same night as the Huth Middle School Debate. He encouraged everyone to vote.

Trustee Little encouraged everyone to vote on November 4th. He stated that for the most part, the Village of Matteson has a very good police force. He asked Chief Burnson to look into the Foster/Griffin matter right away.

Trustee Imoukhuede thanked everyone for attending the Board Meeting. He encouraged everyone to vote on November 4th. He reported that Rich South had a mock election in which Obama received 90% of the vote. He stated that as President of Public Safety Committee he knows that the Police Department tries to do the best job they can. He offered his apology to Ms. Foster on behalf of the Village and wished her son well in the Navy.

Trustee Brown reported that a representative from Howard University will be at Rich South High School on November 8th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to discuss Howard University Scholarships and an Actuarial Sciences Program. He encouraged everyone to attend. He offered his apology to Ms. Foster and wished her son well in the Navy.

Administrator Linear thanked staff for its hard work and offered his apology to Ms. Foster.

Chief Burnson stated that the Foster/Griffin matter will be looked into tomorrow.

Mr. Bates reported that the Parks and Recreation Commission will be meeting on the Third Tuesday in November and December due to the Holidays instead of the fourth Tuesday and that the Parks and Recreation Public Service Meeting will be held on November 19, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Clerk Grisco reported that she attended the Matteson Community Center Ground-Breaking.

President Ashmore offered his apology to Ms. Foster and stated that the matter will be looked into right away. He thanked Ms. Dorothy Reynolds for her comment. He reported that a Memorial for President Mark W. Stricker

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will be held this Saturday, November 8, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. at the Matteson Holiday Inn. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Trustee Motton made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

ADJOURNMENT

AYES: (6) Brown, Motton, Little, Imoukhuede, Burton
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (1) Sawyer III

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk