

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 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2008

President Andrè 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  
Usher Sawyer III

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; Gloria Gibson, Budget Officer; Nick Wilkens, Fire Chief; Pat Gericke, Deputy Fire Chief; the Media; and Angela Simington, Recording Secretary.

The following Trustees were absent:

*None*

Police Officer Peter Piazza was sworn in by Clerk Grisco.

**SWEARING IN**

a. Police Officer Peter Piazza

President Ashmore presented the Consent Agenda.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

Trustee Sawyer III made a Motion to pass all items on the Consent Agenda as presented except the consideration of Minutes of November 17, 2008.

Seconded by Trustee Little.

**A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

(Removed)

AYES: (6) Brown, Motton, Little, Imoukhuede, Burton  
Sawyer III

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

**B. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

1. Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

(Removed)

B. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. The Board of Trustee approve the Ordinance of Amending Chapter 150 of the Village of Matteson Code of Ordinances Relative to the appointment of the Village Engineer– *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

2. The Board of Trustee authorize the execution of the renewal contract and approve an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of IMLRMA Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement between the Village of Matteson and the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association, as presented, with an effective date of January 1, 2009. – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

3. The Board of Trustees authorize the Village Administrator to execute the engagement letter, retaining McGladry & Pullen, LLP for the Auditing of Financial Statements for Fiscal year 2007/2008 for the Village of Matteson. – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

Trustee Sawyer III stated that he'd like his closing comments expressing his condolence to the Brazley and Grzesiak families and congratulating President Elect Obama included in the minutes.

Trustee Sawyer III made a Motion to approve the Minutes of November 17, 2008 with the understanding that his closing comments expressing his condolence to the Brazley and Grzesiak families and congratulating President Elect Obama will be included in the minutes. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

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

Trustee Brown made a Motion to approve the Ordinance Authorizing the Granting of a Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development Preliminary Plan for a 52 acre parcel located on the North and South Side of Promenade Way. Seconded by Trustee Little.

AYES: (6) Brown, Motton, Little, Imoukhuede, Burton

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 150 of the Village of Matteson Code of Ordinances, Relative to the Appointment of Village Engineer.

2. Consideration of Renewal of the IMLRMA Insurance Program for 2009 and an Ordinance Authorizing Execution of Minimum/Maximum Contribution.

3. Consideration to Authorize the Administrator to execute the engagement letter retaining McGladry & Pullen for Auditing Financial Statements for Fiscal year 2007/2008.

**6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting of November 3, 2008

ACTIVE AGENDA

1. Consideration of Ordinance Authorizing Granting of Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development located on the North and South Side of Promenade Way.

Sawyer III

NAYS: (0)  
ABSTAIN: (0)  
ABSENT: (0)

Trustee Brown made a Motion to approve the Ordinance granting a Special Use permit for a Planned Unit Development Final Plan to Realty America Group; within a MXD Zoning District, for an 8.48 acre parcel located on the South Side of Promenade Way. Seconded by Trustee Little.

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

Trustee Motton made a Motion to approve the Ordinance amending Chapter 111, entitled "Alcoholic Beverages" of the Village of Matteson Code of Ordinances, relative to the number of Class "D: Liquor Licenses issued, as presented. Seconded by Trustee Sawyer III.

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

Trustee Sawyer III made a Motion to direct the Village Attorney to Draft an Ordinance Amending Chapter 111 of the Village Alcohol Liquor Ordinance to Decrease by One the Number of Class "E" Licenses and increase by one the number of Class "D" Liquor Licenses. Seconded by Trustee Little.

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

Trustee Imoukhuede asked Ms. Gibson what percentage tax is. Ms. Gibson said .049. Trustee Imoukhuede said that is a prudent number and the Village needs to be cautious.

Trustee Brown asked Ms. Gibson if the Village portion on the residents' bill will be lower. Ms. Gibson said yes. Trustee Brown said that is important.

2. Consideration of Ordinance Granting Special Use Permit for a Planned Unit Development Final Plan to Realty America Group; within a MXD Zoning District for a 8.48 acre parcel located on the South Side of Promenade Way.

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 111, Entitled "Alcoholic Beverages" relative to the number of Class "D" Liquor License.
2. Consideration to Direct Village Attorney to draft an Ordinance Amending Chapter 111 of the Village Alcohol Liquor Ordinance to Decrease by One the number of Class "E" Licenses and Increase by One the number of Class "D" Licenses
3. Consideration of an Ordinance Levying Property Taxes for Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2008 and Ending April 30, 2009.
4. Consideration of the Appointment of Acting Fire Chief Edwin D. Wilkens III to Fire Chief.

President Ashmore congratulated Staff for its efforts with regard to the Tax Levy Ordinance.

Trustee Brown made a Motion to approve the Ordinance Levying Taxes for the Fiscal year Beginning May 1, 2008 and ending April 30, 2009 in the Village of Matteson, Cook County Illinois. Seconded by Trustee Burton.

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

Trustee Imoukhuede said that Chief Wilkens has been doing a great job both here at the Village and in the community and Chief Wilkens is also a resident of the Village.

Trustee Sawyer III congratulated Chief Wilkens.

President Ashmore congratulated Chief Wilkens.

Trustee Motton made a Motion to approve the appointment of Acting Fire Chief Edwin D. Wilkens, III to Fire Chief. Seconded by Trustee Sawyer III.

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

SWEARING IN

Chief Wilkens was sworn in by Clerk Grisco.

COMMENTS BY VILLAGE  
OFFICIALS

Trustee Motton congratulated the Public Works Department for doing an excellent job in the recent snow storm.

a. Trustee Committee Reports

Trustee Burton congratulated Chief Wilkens as well as the entire Staff for its hard work.

Trustee Little congratulated Chief Wilkens. He reported that Economic Development Commission will meet on December 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. and Housing and Human Relations Commission will meet on December 11, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. He encouraged everyone to attend both meetings.

Trustee Imoukhuede reiterated his congratulations to Chief Wilkens. He requested that the Board receive local business sales tax receipts, especially from the Auto Mall, on a monthly basis. He also requested copies of sales tax

receipts from the last three months from the Auto Mall. He asked that Staff look into who is responsible for securing Foreclosed homes in the Village as many of the vacant homes have been vandalized.

Trustee Brown welcomed everyone to the Board meeting and expressed his hope that everyone had a great Thanksgiving. He congratulated Chief Wilkens and reported that the Plan Commission will meet on Thursday December 18, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Trustee Sawyer III congratulated Chief Wilkens. He reported that Parks and Recreation will offer dogsled rides on December 13, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. and that the Parks and Recreation Commission will meet on December 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. He encouraged everyone to get involved.

President Ashmore reported that he attended the Student Council installation ceremony at Colin Powell School and that the event went well. He reported that the Administration and Finance Meeting was productive and congratulated Staff for its hard work. He congratulated Public Works for its hard work in the recent snow storm. He also congratulated Chief Wilkens for his appointment to Fire Chief.

Attorney Perozzi congratulated Chief Wilkens

Clerk Grisco congratulated Chief Wilkens.

Ms. Cynthia Finch of 6018 Katheryn said that she publishes an amateur sports magazine which features news articles and pictures of the sports teams of the children in the Village.

Mr. Milford Moore 534 Quail Run Road said that the "Shop Matteson" Flyer recently mailed to residents appears misleading as it states that the Library receives sales tax return and as member of Library Board he knows that the Library does not directly receive revenue from sales tax.

Administrator Linear stated that sales tax return supports many governmental bodies including the Library.

President Ashmore asked that anyone who questions any mailings from the Village should contact Staff immediately as those issues should be addressed by Staff well before the Board Meeting.

Trustee Imoukhuede asked for a time table with regard to the reconciliation of the Glen Eagle Point/Frankfort Park District taxing issue.

Attorney Perozzi said that he is still working on the issue with the Village Administrator and that a time table is not available at this point.

OPPORTUNITY FOR  
PUBLIC COMMENT

Trustee Imoukhuede requested an update from the Attorney at the next Board Meeting as well as regular updates until the matter is resolved.

Trustee Sawyer III asked the Administrator if the subdivision is forming a homeowner's Association or if there is a contact person from the subdivision that the Administrator has been in contact with.

Administrator Linear stated that a mailing will be sent to all of the homeowners and no subdivision contact person as been presented to the Village.

President Ashmore invited everyone to the Tree Lighting Ceremony which will take place on December 18, 2008.

Trustee Sawyer III made a Motion at 8:23 p.m. for Executive Session under the Open Meetings Act Section 2(c)(1) Personnel – Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance; with no need to reconvene. Seconded by Trustee Motton.

REQUEST FOR  
EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk