

MINUTES OF THE **PUBLIC HEARING**
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF THE MATTESON VILLAGE HALL
4900 VILLAGE COMMONS
ON THIS 21ST DAY OF APRIL 2008

President Stricker called the hearing 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
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; Nick Wilkens, Acting Fire Chief; Vince Laoang, Director of Public Works; Gloria Gibson, Budget Officer; Rick Smeaton, Director of Community Development; Angela Simington, Recording Secretary.

The following Trustees were absent:

Kevin Little
Nathaniel Motton, Jr.

Trustee Sawyer III stated that it was recommended by the Plan Commission that Ms. Johns (property owner) demolish the home on the property and that in his time with the Board, this request has never been asked of an individual property owner. He stated that because Ms. Johns has experienced financial setback, is taking care of her family as well as paying Attorney costs over the years that she has been trying to sell the property, the Board should consider not requiring her to be responsible for demolition of the house.

**CONSIDERATION OF AN
ANNEXATION
AGREEMENT FOR 1.38
ACRES OF PROPERTY
LOCATED AT 20739-20811
CICERO AVENUE TO BE
ZONED C-4
COMMERCIAL
HIGHWAY.**

Trustee Brown stated that the information Trustee Sawyer III shared with the Board was not stated when the matter was before the Plan Commission and that he is sure that those issues would have been taken into consideration by the Commission when the recommendation to the Board was made.

Trustee Imoukhuede suggested the matter be returned to the Plan Commission for further review and consideration.

President Stricker asked Ms. Johns if she is currently a resident of the Village

of Matteson. Ms. Johns said no and that she is a former resident. President Stricker said that demolition of the house on the property at the owners cost is usually the direction the Village takes.

Mr. Jason Grisenger, Attorney for Ms. Johns said that Ms. Johns has no objection to the recommendation that the house be demolished at her expense, however, she is asking for a reasonable amount of time to take care of demolition and/or an agreement be reached with the Matteson Fire Department to use the house for training purposes so that the house would be demolished through the course of Fire Department training.

There was question from the Board as to the location of the portion of the property to be vacated.

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Trustee Sawyer was asked to assist Ms. Johns in contacting the Matteson Fire Department.

There was no public comment.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT**

Trustee Ashmore made a Motion to adjourn the public hearing at 8:07 p.m.
Seconded by Trustee Brown.

ADJOURNMENT

AYES: (3) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede,
NAYS: (1) Sawyer III
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Little, Motton

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk