

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 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2003

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
Sam Brown
Emmanuel Imoukhuede
Carol Marshall

Trustees Johnson and Motton were not in attendance.

Also present were: Joseph Perozzi, Village Attorney; David Mekarski, Village Administrator; Hildy Kingma, Director of Community Development; Vince Laoang, Director of Public Works; Robert Park, Police Chief; Jan Dinnocenzo, Recording Secretary; and the Star Newspaper.

President Stricker thanked all in the audience for attending the meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF
MINUTES

a) President Stricker presented the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 2, 2003 for additions, deletions, or corrections.

REGULAR MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 2, 2003

Trustee Imoukhuede moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 2, 2003 as presented. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

AYES: (3) Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (1) Ashmore
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

CONSIDERATION OF
FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

SALARY, OVERTIME AND
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

COMMENTS BY VILLAGE
OFFICIALS

a) President Stricker submitted the following names for reappointment to the Parks & Recreation Commission for two year terms: Ricky R. Marks, Chairman; William Harris, Jr.; Kevin McWoodson; and Gary Randall.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF
REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE
PARKS & RECREATION
COMMISSION

Trustee Brown moved on behalf of Trustee Motton, the Park & Recreation liaison, that the Board of Trustees accept the reappointments as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

RECOMMENDATION OF
APPOINTMENT TO THE
PARKS & RECREATION
COMMISSION

b) President Stricker submitted the name of Margaret A. Groark for appointment to the Parks & Recreation Commission to fill a vacancy with the term expiring April 30, 2004.

Trustee Marshall moved that the Board of Trustees accept the appointment of Margaret A. Groark to the Parks & Recreation Commission. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE
REPORTS

Trustee Ashmore thanked all participants of Green Power Day and noted that the next phase of the letter writing campaign has begun. He reported his attendance at the Autumn Gala on September 13 and the 5th Annual Hands Across the Southland Unity Day on September 14. He advised that the Finance Director search is completed and thanked Kathy Murray and all involved for ensuring that the process went smoothly. Trustee Ashmore announced that the Administrative/Finance

Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 a.m. and the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m., with the next meeting being September 17 at the Village Hall and invited all to attend. He also noted his attendance at a press conference regarding the formation and construction of a south suburban airport.

Trustee Imoukhuede reported his attendance at most of the aforesaid activities as well, noting that the Green Power Day was very inspiring. He announced that a Public Safety Committee meeting will be held within the next ten days.

Trustee Brown expressed his appreciation for all the support received for Green Power Day and indicated he plans to attend and support the grand opening of a new store in Richton Park on Wednesday. He reported his attendance at the Regional Consensus Luncheon on September 8, the Butterfield Place Homeowners Association meeting on September 9, the Autumn Gala on September 13, and the Hands Across the Southland event on September 14.

Trustee Marshall reported her attendance at Green Power Day, the Finance Committee meeting on September 10, the Lindenwood Landlords Association meeting/Housing and Human Relations Commission meeting on September 11, the Autumn Gala on September 13, and the Hands Across the Southland Unity Day on September 14.

President Stricker noted his attendance at the meeting conducted by Congressman Jesse Jackson regarding the third airport which is proposed to be developed through private enterprise.

President Stricker read a resolution adopted by the Village of Steger thanking and commending the Village of Matteson Public Works Department for their assistance in clean-up efforts after a storm caused extensive damage in their town.

Chief Park introduced Officers Rankin and Ross and gave a brief background on each. Village Clerk Dorothy Grisco swore in Gregory Rankin and Nicholas Ross as Police Officers for the Village of Matteson.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

**POLICE OFFICERS
GREGORY RANKIN AND
NICHOLAS ROSS**

President Stricker presented Sergeant Ken Arvin with the Matteson Police Department Life-Saving Award for heroism in aiding the rescue of an elderly man out of his car which was sinking in a flooded retention pond.

PRESENTATION

**MATTESON POLICE
DEPARTMENT LIFE-
SAVING AWARD ISSUED**

TO SERGEANT KEN ARVIN

OPPORTUNITY FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS
AND AWARDING OF
CONTRACTS

FY03-04 STREET
MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

FY03-04 SANITARY SEWER
MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

CONSIDERATION OF
RENEWAL OF
PARTICIPATION IN
ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL
LEAGUE RISK
MANAGEMENT
ASSOCIATION

There was no public comment.

1) Mr. Mike Murray, Deputy Director of Public Works, stated bids were received for the completion of the FY03-04 Street Maintenance Program. He noted that these streets were in addition to those approved on June 9, 2003.

Trustee Imoukhuede moved that the Board of Trustees award the contract for the FY03-04 Street Maintenance Program to the low bidder, Gallagher Asphalt Corporation, at the unit prices submitted totaling \$53,613.65, subject to approval by the Illinois Department of Transportation. Seconded by Trustee Ashmore.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

2) Deputy Director of Public Works Mike Murray noted that the Epoxy Manhole Rehabilitation is part of an on-going project for the rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer system in Old Matteson.

Trustee Imoukhuede moved that the Board of Trustees accept the low bid and award the contract to National Power Rodding in the amount of \$75,978.00.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

3) Mr. David Mekarski, Village Administrator, noted that in order to fit into the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association's traditional calendar year operation, it would be necessary to renew participation for the period from October 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003. This will then facilitate yearly renewal on the same schedule as other participants in this program.

Mr. Mekarski noted that the IMLRMA has also requested that all participants execute a new Intergovernmental Agreement. These changes were reviewed by

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Attorney Perozzi.

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Village Board approve the Village's participation in the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association insurance pool for the period October 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003 at a cost of \$134,666. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

In response to questioning from Trustee Brown, Administrator Mekarski noted that competitive prices were previously sought, but those requests were declined stating that it would be impossible to compete with such a large pool size. He noted that the Village had saved and continues to save a substantial amount of money by utilizing the IMLRMA.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Village Board authorize the execution of the revised Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association dated May 1, 2003. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

4) Ms. Becky Greiman, Village Planner, presented a request for approval of a Final Plat for Newbury Estates, Phase 4A.

Trustee Brown moved that the Board approve a Final Plat for Newbury Estates, Phase 4A, as presented. Seconded by Trustee Imoukhuede.

Trustee Imoukhuede questioned the long term affects of requiring a private homeowners association to maintain a median that is in a public right-of-way. Ms. Hildy Kingma, Director of Community Development, stated that the maintenance requirement would be a part of the recorded deed restrictions. Therefore, it would be a matter of public record that the homeowners association is responsible for either maintaining the median or paying the Village a fee to maintain it.

Trustees Marshall, Ashmore, and Brown stated they had no objection to the maintenance of the median by a private homeowners association. Attorney Perozzi

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF A
FINAL PLAT FOR
NEWBURY ESTATES,
PHASE 4A

verified that such an agreement is permissible.

Trustee Imoukhuede requested that the Board review the process and policies regarding such requirements, because he feared that in time, some homeowners associations may not be able to maintain that which was required of them. President Stricker stated that the process is usually handled between Village staff, the developer, and legal counsel, and falls under the Plan Commission's responsibilities for review as well. He suggested that Trustee Imoukhuede meet with staff to discuss the process.

President Stricker questioned whether the pavement width was sufficient for street parking. It was noted that parking would be restricted to one side only and signage to that affect would be erected along with the road improvements, prior to the completion of the homes.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

5) Ms. Becky Greiman presented the Development Agreement between the Village of Matteson, New Faith Baptist Church and Amlin Residential, Inc., and gave a brief background, noting that it was two years in the making.

Trustee Brown moved that the Board of Trustees authorize the execution of said agreement between the three parties, New Faith Baptist Church, Amlin Residential, Inc. and the Village of Matteson and that the President and Clerk sign said agreement prior to recording by the Cook County Recorder of Deeds. Seconded by Trustee Ashmore.

CONSIDERATION OF A
DEVELOPMENT
AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE VILLAGE OF
MATTESON, NEW FAITH
BAPTIST CHURCH AND
AMLIN RESIDENTIAL, INC.

Trustee Brown acknowledged the presence of representatives from New Faith Baptist Church and Amlin Residential and thanked them for their cooperation and perseverance in making this agreement reality.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

President Stricker noted that semi trucks are parking on the frontage road from time to time and requested that this practice be watched. Administrator Mekarski stated that the Police Department will investigate the situation.

OLD BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF AN
ORDINANCE
AUTHORIZING THE
ISSUANCE OF GENERAL
OBLIGATION BONDS
(SALES TAX ALTERNATE
REVENUE SOURCE),
SERIES 2003B, OF THE
VILLAGE OF MATTESON,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
IN AN AGGREGATE
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT
TO EXCEED \$1,000,000

6) Mr. Lafayette Linear presented an ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds not to exceed \$1,000,000. He noted that the adoption of the Fiscal Year Budget 03/04 included a \$1,000,000 capital improvement strategy which was to be financed with a short-term loan, repaid by future sales tax proceeds. Speer Financial and Chapman & Cutler have prepared material to begin the bond issue. Mr. Linear noted that the actual sale of the bonds would require an additional Ordinance to accept a bid and issue the bonds. The Public Notice and Bond Issuance process take approximately 60 days.

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Sales tax Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2003B, of the Village of Matteson, Cook County, Illinois, in an aggregate principal not to exceed \$1,000,000. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

Trustee Imoukhuede questioned if this ordinance were approved this evening, when would the clock start ticking for the 30 day objection time period. Mr. Linear noted that it would start from the date of publication, which is anticipated to be Sunday, September 21, 2003.

Trustee Imoukhuede questioned the amount that would be needed. President Stricker noted that the \$1,000,000 amount was the maximum - that amount could be lowered if warranted. Administrator Mekarski stated that while the Village is experiencing some recovery, a loan would still be needed.

President Stricker reiterated that the action proposed to be taken this evening would begin the process but does not authorize the sale of the bonds or in what amount other than it cannot exceed \$1,000,000. Attorney Perozzi concurred.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Revised Capital Expenditure and Special Project Schedules. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

7) Mr. Lafayette Linear noted that the future sale of General Obligation Bonds

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requires the Board to enter into a professional services agreement, engaging Chapman & Cutler to act as the Village's Bond Council for this issuance. Fees for these services will be included in the bond issuance cost.

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Engagement Agreement with Chapman & Cutler to serve as Bond Council in Issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2003B, as contained in the letter of transmittal dated September 12, 2003. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

CONSIDERATION OF AN ENGAGEMENT LETTER AUTHORIZING CHAPMAN & CUTLER AS BOND COUNCIL FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2003B

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

8) Trustee Imoukhuede moved that the Board of Trustees proceed into Executive Session under the Open Meetings Act, Section 2(c)(1) – Personnel, with a need to reconvene. Seconded by Trustee Ashmore.

OTHER BUSINESS

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board convened to Executive Session at 8:53 p.m.

The Board reconvened the Regular meeting at 9:27 p.m.

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

Andre Ashmore
Sam Brown
Emmanuel Imoukhuede
Carol Marshall

ROLL CALL

Trustees Johnson and Motton were not in attendance.

9) President Stricker submitted the name of Lafayette Linear to fill the position of Finance Director.

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Board approve the appointment of Mr. Lafayette Linear as the Finance Director of the Village of Matteson. Seconded by Trustee

CONSIDERATION OF
FINANCE DIRECTOR
APPOINTMENT

Brown.

The President and Board of Trustees congratulated Mr. Linear on his new appointment.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

Mr. Linear thanked the President and Board for their support.

10) Trustee Ashmore moved that the Board of Trustees proceed into Executive Session under the Open Meetings Act, Section 2(c)(1) – Personnel, with no need to reconvene. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE
SESSION

Trustee Marshall welcomed Mr. Linear, congratulated the two new Police Officers, and commended Sergeant Arvin for his heroism.

Trustee Brown concurred and added the Village's appreciation to Midwest Publishing for the promotion they gave to Green Power Day.

Trustee Imoukhuede congratulated Mr. Linear and his family.

Trustee Ashmore congratulated Mr. Linear and concurred with comments made in appreciation to Midwest Publishing. He reminded everyone that the Administration/Finance Committee meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Village Hall and invited all to attend.

Administrator Mekarski announced that Richton Park is sponsoring a Green Power event similar to Matteson's on Wednesday, September 17, 2003, at 2:00 p.m. at their new store, Valley Fresh Market.

Mr. Vince Laoang, Director of Public Works, congratulated Mr. Linear on his new appointment.

Attorney Perozzi and Clerk Grisco congratulated and welcomed Mr. Linear as

well.

President Stricker announced that Robin Kelly, Director of Community Development, will be giving up the presidency of the Unity Coalition and suggested that some type of acknowledgement be made for her dedicated service. He also stated that at the Transportation meeting it was noted that Vollmer Road will be undergoing preliminary work this fall in anticipation of widening it to four lanes. Traffic lights are planned to be installed on Vollmer Road at Central and Ridgeland Avenues. Also, it was indicated that signals would be approved for 207th Street.

Trustee Marshall moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 9:34 p.m. and, after a short recess, enter into Executive Session with no need to reconvene. Seconded by Trustee Motton.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Brown, Imoukhuede, and Marshall
NAYS:(0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Johnson and Motton

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk