

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 JANUARY 2005

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 absent.

Also present were: Joseph Perozzi, Village Attorney; Frank Myers, Village Administrator; Lafayette Linear, Finance Director; Brian Ramsey, Director of Parks and Recreation; Robert Wilcox, Fire Chief; Jan Dinnocenzo, Recording Secretary; and the media.

COMMENTS BY VILLAGE OFFICIALS

President Stricker read a proclamation recognizing the Girl Scout Council's efforts and proclaiming Girl Scout Cookie Program Time.

PROCLAMATION – 2005 GIRL SCOUT COOKIE PROGRAM TIME

President Stricker read a proclamation proclaiming January 17, 2005 as Martin Luther King Day in the Village of Matteson and encouraged citizens to engage in community service, which in turn serves to honor Dr. King's legacy and advance the cause of justice and equality in America.

PROCLAMATION – MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY – JANUARY 17, 2005

Clerk Grisco announced that, due to the holiday on January 17, 2005, the next regular Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 18, 2005.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board members wished everyone a happy new year and commended all involved in making the new Village sign a reality.

Trustee Marshall reported that she received a phone call from a resident complimenting the Police Department for the fine work they did in solving a recent

hit and run incident.

Ms. Harley, 3118 Holden Circle, referred to a STAR Newspaper article that reported several stores moving from Matteson to Homewood and expressed concern over the future economic development in Matteson. It was noted that economic development and economic retention are very high priorities for the Village, and the issues presented this evening are being reviewed and assessed by the Village.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Mike Sonnevile, 3319 Holden Circle, expressed concern over safety issues, specifically the need for crosswalks on Lincoln Highway and on Cicero Avenue, and the need for traffic management at certain sites where left turns are very dangerous. President Stricker noted that he will be attending the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Transportation meeting and will present these concerns to that committee.

Mr. Edward Long, 6047 Allemong Drive, questioned why, at the previous Board meeting, the last agenda item was not addressed by the Board. It was noted that it was placed on the agenda in the event the Board wished take action on the matter. Since no action was necessary, it was not addressed. Attorney Perozzi advised that even though no motion was made to remove the item from the agenda, the item ultimately lapsed because no action was taken.

Mr. Long also requested clarification on an issue presented to the Board at their December 6, 2004 meeting regarding the reimbursement for a well that was drilled. It was noted that certain administrative authority is given by the Board in order to carry out day-to-day responsibilities. Administrator Myers will provide Mr. Long with information regarding disbursement limitations.

Mr. Robert Wilcox, Fire Chief, gave a brief synopsis and update of the Southwick development issues previously brought before the Board. He then provided a detailed plan of action to facilitate their expeditious resolution.

**PRESENTATION –
Southwick Update**

Attorney Perozzi reported that he is in receipt of a signed copy of the amendment to the existing Letter of Credit provided by the developer as requested by the Board.

President Stricker explained the intent of having a Consent Agenda, noting that the items included will be enacted in one motion without separate discussion. If requested, items may be removed and discussed individually following the approval of the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

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

A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*
1. Regular Meeting of December 20, 2004

B. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*
1. Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable

ACTIVE AGENDA

A1. Mr. Brian Ramsey, Director of Parks and Recreation, stated that due to the nature of the event, several of the expenditures related to planning and preparation are incurred in the months leading up to the actual dates of the Fest. Therefore, the budget is submitted to the Board in order to obtain approval of related expenditures and begin the preliminary planning and reservation of entertainment as warranted.

Mr. Ramsey noted that there is one correction to the report that was distributed to the Board, that being under *General Expenses: Amusement Rides* – **75%** of the gross is paid as per the negotiated contract, rather than 85% of the gross.

Trustee Marshall moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Budget as presented for the 23rd Annual Matteson Festival for the 2005-06 FY Budget. Seconded by Trustee Ashmore.

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

B1. Trustee Imoukhuede moved that the Board of Trustees adjourn, at the end of this meeting, to Executive Session under the Open Meetings Act, Section 2(c)(21) – Review and Disclosure of Prior Closed Session Minutes, with no need

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ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA - *None*

ACTIVE AGENDA:

A. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of the Budget for the 23rd Annual Matteson Festival to be held in Memorial Park on June 10-12, 2005

B. OTHER BUSINESS

to reconvene. Seconded by Trustee Ashmore.

1. Request for Executive
Session

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

The Board thanked the residents for their attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Linear, Finance Director, clarifying discussion held earlier in the meeting, stated that authority is given to the Village Administrator and the Finance Director to make budget line item adjustments up to \$10,000.

Administrator Myers noted that there will be a farewell party for Hildy Kingma on Friday, January 14, at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room.

The Board wished Ms. Kingma well in her new position with the Village of Park Forest and thanked her for her years of service with the Village of Matteson.

Trustee Marshall moved to adjourn the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:42 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Brown.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 3, 2005

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