

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 APRIL 2006

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
Emmanuel Imoukhuede
Allan Johnson
Carol Marshall

Trustees Motton and Sawyer were absent.

Also present were: Joseph Perozzi, Village Attorney; Lafayette Linear, Village Administrator/Finance Director; Vince Laoang, Director of Regulatory Services; Robert Crouch, Human Resource Director; Nick Wilkens, Acting Fire Chief; Norm Burnson, Acting Police Chief; Jan Dinnocenzo, Recording Secretary; and the media.

Acting Police Chief Norm Burnson introduced David Marshall and James R. Strappazon. Clerk Grisco swore in David Marshall and James R. Strappazon as Police Officers for the Village of Matteson. The President and Board of Trustees congratulated both on their new appointments.

SWEARING IN

- a) Swearing in of Two New Police Officers:
-Mr. David Marshall
-Mr. James R. Strappazon

President Stricker thanked the Police Department for their professional investigation and rapid conclusion to the tragic incident that took place recently in the Village of Matteson.

A moment of silence was had for the Bowen family.

President Stricker read a Proclamation declaring April 1 through April 30, 2006, as Parliamentary Law Month.

PRESENTATIONS

- a) Proclamation declaring April, 2006 as Parliamentary Law Month

President Stricker read a Proclamation proclaiming April 2-8, 2006 as National Library Week. Library Board President Milfred Moore thanked the Board for their support.

- b) Proclamation – “National Library Week” Presentation by Library Board President, Mr. Milfred Moore

Acting Police Chief Burnson noted that a grant was received from IDOT to fund a program to increase seatbelt enforcement and in so doing increase compliance and educate the public on the benefits of wearing a seatbelt.

Acting Police Chief Burnson stated that Officer Blair Brnicky and Mr. Rasheem Beck, a college intern, were involved in a serious traffic accident. However, because they were wearing their seatbelts, they were able to walk away unharmed, thereby confirming the fact that seatbelts do save lives and reduce injuries during crashes. Officer Blair Brnicky and Mr. Rasheem Beck were presented with the "Saved by the Belt" Award and recognized for their safe driving habits.

Board members expressed their condolences to the various employees who have lost loved ones recently and to the family and friends of the Bowsens.

Board members reported their attendance at various meetings and functions, including the Annual Commissioners' Appreciation Dinner. They thanked all the Commissioners for their time and dedication.

Trustee Johnson noted that the Plan Commission will meet on Thursday, April 6, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. and invited all to attend.

Trustee Marshall acknowledged the new directory signs in the Village Hall, noting they look very nice and will be very helpful. She also reported that the Senior Citizen Police Academy Graduation will be held at the Village Hall on Monday, April 10.

President Stricker noted that new stop signs have been installed at the three-way intersection of Central Avenue and Village Commons.

No one wished to be heard.

President Stricker presented the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Imoukhuede requested that Item D2, Request Authorization to direct the Village Attorney to prepare a Development Agreement between the Village of Matteson and Meritex Development, Inc. for the proposed rail spur installation, be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Board approve the Consent Agenda items

c) "Saved by the Belt" Award Presentation by Chief Norman Burnson to:
-Officer Blair Brnicky
-Mr. Rasheem Beck

COMMENTS BY VILLAGE OFFICIALS

a) Trustee Committee Reports

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting of
March 20, 2006

with the exception of Item D2. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

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

A. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

1. Regular Meeting of March 20, 2006

B. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

1. Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable

C. OLD BUSINESS - *None*

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Direct Attorney Perozzi to prepare an ordinance declaring “old”

Truck 5 as surplus equipment and authorize the sale of the vehicle to the Borough of Homestead, PA Fire Department, for the total cost of \$55,000 and a delivery date anytime after May 7, 2006. The final payment shall be made to the Village

of

Matteson upon delivery. – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

3. Authorize the acceptance of a contract with Melaniphy & Associates to provide a marketing feasibility study. – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*
4. Pass the attached resolution supporting the construction of an interchange at I-57 and I-294. – *Approved by Omnibus Vote*

Trustee Imoukhuede noted that the last time this item was discussed by the Board, it was requested that women and minority companies be given an opportunity to participate in this project. Trustee Imoukhuede stated he hoped that this request would be heeded at least to the extent that Lincoln Mall has agreed to in utilizing a minimum of 25% women and minority companies in their project. Director of Regulatory Services Laoang noted that details of the project will be outlined for future Board approval.

B. CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Salary, Overtime and Accounts Payable

C. OLD BUSINESS - *None*

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Request Authorization to Direct Village Attorney to Prepare an Ordinance to Declare Fire Truck #5 as Surplus Equipment

2. *Removed*

3. Consideration of a Market Feasibility Study by Melaniphy & Associates, Inc.

4. Consideration of a Resolution Supporting an I-57/I-294 Interchange

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

D. NEW BUSINESS

2. Request Authorization to Direct Village Attorney to Prepare a Development Agreement Between the Village of Matteson and Meritex Development, Inc. for the Proposed Rail Spur Installation

Trustee Imoukhuede moved that the Board of Trustees authorize the Village Attorney to prepare a development agreement with Meritex Development, Inc. to enable the installation of the proposed rail spur installation. Seconded by Trustee Marshall.

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

9. ACTIVE AGENDA

A. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND AWARDING OF CONTRACTS

1. Consideration of a Bid for the purchase of Lawn Mowers

Mr. Mike Murray, Superintendent of Public Works, noted that while Central Parts Warehouse of Tinley Park, IL, also submitted a low bid of \$11,500, staff is recommending the purchase from Keith's Power Equipment of Steger, IL because of excellent past service the Village has received from Keith's.

Trustee Ashmore moved that the Board of Trustees authorize the purchase of two mowers from Keith's Power Equipment of Steger, IL for the total amount of \$11,500. Seconded by Trustee Johnson.

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

B. NEW BUSINESS - *None*

C. OTHER BUSINESS - *None*

CLOSING COMMENTS

Trustee Johnson reminded everyone of the Plan Commission meeting on Thursday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m. and encouraged all to attend.

Trustee Imoukhuede thanked everyone for their attendance at the meeting.

Village Administrator/Finance Director Linear noted that the proposed Fiscal Year 06/07 Budget will be reviewed at the Board Workshop on Monday, April 10.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Johnson moved to adjourn the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:12 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Ashmore.

AYES: (4) Ashmore, Imoukhuede, Johnson, and Marshall

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 3, 2006

4-42-06

NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Motton and Sawyer

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk