

VILLAGE OF MACHESNEY PARK, ILLINOIS
HELD IN THE FRANK G. BAUER MUNICIPAL HALL
Journal of Proceedings - Regular Meeting, November 16, 2015

Mayor Bolin called the meeting order at 6:12 PM. Pastor Heath Tibbets from First Baptist Church of Machesney Park presented the Invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Trustee Aaron Wilson.

Present: Mayor Jerry Bolin, Trustees Robbin Snodgrass, Steve Johnson, Aaron Wilson, Terri Bailey, and Erick Beck

Absent: Trustee James Kidd

Also Present: Village Clerk Lori Mitchell
Treasurer Tom Yoe
Village Attorney Tom Green
Village Administrator Tim Savage
Human Resources and Accounting Manager Michelle Johannsen
Public Works Superintendent Chad Hunter
Planning and Zoning Coordinator Carrie Houston
Village Engineer Chris Dopkins
Student Liaison Nick McCormick
Public Safety Supervisor Sergeant Doug Bushman

The Journal of Proceedings for the Regular Board Meeting from November 2, 2015 were approved per typewritten copies submitted by the Clerk on a motion by Trustee Johnson and seconded by Trustee Snodgrass. Motion carried by voice vote.

1. Minutes Approved

Treasurer Tom Yoe gave the Treasurer's Report, noting that the total of all funds as of November 9 is \$5,488,981.28. Trustee Wilson moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and place it on file for audit; seconded by Trustee Beck. Motion carried by voice vote.

2. Treasurer's Report

Village Clerk Lori Mitchell reported that the Village annual Outdoor Holiday Decorating Contest is underway. Nominations will be accepted now through Friday, November 18. The top three winners will be awarded baskets of prizes from Village merchants and will be delivered prior to Christmas.

3. Communications

Also, Clerk Mitchell reported that the Annual Light up the Parks Parade will be this coming Sunday, November 22, beginning at 4:45 p.m. from Snider Electric in Loves Park, coming north on Elm Avenue to Roosevelt Road and across North Second Street, ending at the south end of the Machesney Town Center. Immediately following the parade, the Village of Machesney Park will host its annual Christmas Tree lighting. We are honored to have members from GPS Church serving hot chocolate and cookies. In addition, Santa and Mrs. Claus will also be present to hear the Christmas dreams of the children.

On behalf of the Rock River Homeless Coalition, Clerk Mitchell received a proclamation from Mayor Bolin (read by Trustee Bailey) proclaiming November 14-22, 2015 as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. Clerk Mitchell reported that the RRHC PR Committee is dedicated to creating awareness about resources available for the homeless within the Rock River Valley. This ongoing project strives to educate the community so they in turn can assist any homeless individuals they might encounter or become aware of.

Trustee Beck presented the warrants in the amount of \$485,527.75 reviewed and recommended for approval earlier this evening by the Administration and Finance Committee and moved for its passage; seconded by Trustee Johnson. Motion approved. On roll call: 6 ayes (Trustees Snodgrass, Johnson, Kidd, Wilson, Bailey and Beck), 0 nays, 0 absent

4. Warrants/Approved

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mayor Jerry Bolin removed Item E. Resolution 70-R-15, Award Contracts for Village Board Room Improvements from the agenda tonight.

Further, he reminded everyone that the Toy Drive that is underway to help community children through Helping Hands Pantry at North Park Church of Christ. He further reported that there are already 400 children signed up for the program. He noted that new unwrapped toys are needed. They can be delivered to the Village between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. during the work week until December 11. He further noted that on December 5, Senator Steve Stadelman will be at the Alpine Road Beef-a-Roo from 11 am -2 pm to accept toys for this Toy Drive as well. Further, he noted that on November 20 from 5-7am, Channel 13 will be here at Village Hall broadcasting. He invited the community to stop by to bring toys during this time and see Santa!

Mayor Bolin also reported on the Budget Impasse as follows:

- 1) At 5:44 pm on Tuesday, November 10, he received an email from IML Executive Director Brad Cole, he received information that House Bill 4305 passed overwhelmingly with a vote of 115 yeas, 1 nay and 1 present. This bill authorizes the State to release specific funds (Motor Fuel Tax, video gaming fees, casino fees, 9-1-1 service fees) to local governments. The bill also addresses the distribution of Illinois lottery winnings.
- 2) At 9:51 am on Friday, November 13, he received an email from Senator Steve Stadelman reporting that at the present moment, the Illinois House has not sent the proposal to the Illinois Senate. He noted he did support HB4305 and plans to vote for it just as soon as the House sends it to the Senate.
- 3) At 12:16 pm on Friday, November 13, he received an email from Christine Radogno, Illinois Senate Republican Leader, 41st District reporting that on Tuesday, the House of Representatives passed House Bill 4305 that appropriates funds for distribution of Motor Fuel Tax funds, 911 grants, video gaming revenues, payment of lottery prizes and a dozen other programs. However, House Majority Leader Barbara Flynn Currie put a parliamentary block on the legislation the very same day. Rep. Currie's "Motion to Reconsider" keeps the bill in the House, preventing any Senate action. She further reported that Governor Rauner supported HB4305, which was reflected in the 115-1-1 roll call. The Governor did recommend the addition of other key public safety funding – including road salt – but that request was ignored. Sen. Radogno urged the Mayor to call on the House Democrat majority to withdraw the "Motion to Reconsider," so the legislation can move to the Senate for consideration, adding that she plans to support HB4305 as do many members of her caucus, if the legislation is ever called in the Senate.

Attorney Tom Green had no report this evening.

Village Administrator Tim Savage reported that the Village Newsletter went out last week to over 9,000 addresses and should be in homes by now. Further, action has been delayed on the Board Room renovations contract awarding. Therefore, construction will be pushed until December 8. Also, the next Board meeting will be held here at Village Hall on December 7 instead of an alternative site previously announced

He also reported that the ad for the open Community Development Coordinator position was published and as of last Friday, the application period is closed. There are three finalists and the administration will be setting interviews with them during the next few weeks.

5. Administrative Reports

6. Mayor's Report

7. Attorney's Report

8. Village Administrator

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Finally, the sale of the Village owned property at North Shore Quarry has been finalized and the Village has received all proceeds from that sale.

Village Engineer Chris Dopkins reported on the construction projects still going on and also those that are winding down for the year.

Planning and Zoning Coordinator Carrie Houston had no report this evening.

Public Works Superintendent Chad Hunter had no report this evening.

Human Resources and Accounting Manager Michelle Johannsen reported on an item that will be coming to the next Board Meeting. At the end of October, the Village distributed a request to five vendors to submit a proposal for a compensation study to review all staff members compensation levels as compared to the market. This was previously done in 2007. The proposals are due by November 20, so the resolution for the study to be done will come forth to the A&F Committee and the Board for approval at the December 7 meetings. This will allow the study to be completed in time for Budget planning.

Harlem High School Student Liaison Nick McCormick reported that today's Student Council Blood Drive was a success, December 10 is the Winter Band Concert and this weekend is the Harlem High School Fall Play.

Public Safety Supervisor, Sgt. Doug Bushman reported that for October 30 through November 12, there were 745 total calls for service by the Machesney Park Division of the Sheriff's Department, 250 reports were taken and there were 223 arrests.

COMMITTEE AND TRUSTEE REPORTS

District #1 Trustee Snodgrass, Public Improvements and Safety Chairperson, reported that her committee met this evening and moved one resolution to the December 7 Board Meeting.

District #2 Trustee Johnson, Administration and Finance Vice Chairman had no report this evening.

District #3 Trustee Kidd, Planning and Economic Development Vice Chairman, thanked everyone for their support during his recent illness.

District #4 Trustee Wilson, Planning and Economic Development Chairman, had no report this evening.

District #5 Trustee Bailey, Public Improvements and Safety Vice Chairperson, had no report this evening.

District #6 Trustee Beck, Administrative and Finance Chairman, reported that the A&F Committee met this evening and recommended approval of Warrants and one Ordinance and one Resolution that will be on the December 7 Board Meeting.

9. Village Engineer

10. P/Z Coordinator

11. Public Works Supt.

12. Acct./HR Mgr.

13. Student Liaison

14. Pub. Safety Report

15. Committee Reports

16. District #1 Report

17. District #2 Report

18. District #3 Report

19. District #4 Report

20. District #5 Report

21. District #6 Report

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CONSENT AGENDA* - Mayor Bolin noted that the next item is the Consent Agenda. He asked Staff to introduce all items to be considered under the Consent Agenda. VA Savage presented the items as follows:

Item A: Ordinance 44-15, a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance for Advertising Sign otherwise known as "Off Premise Signage" for first reading.

Item B: Ordinance 46-15, a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance for Commercial Waterfront Use Category as a Special Use in the Commercial Neighborhood, Commercial Community and Commercial General categories for first reading.

Item C. Ordinance 47-15, Disposal of Certain Village-Owned Property deemed to be no longer necessary for the operation of the Village for first reading.

Item D. Resolution 68-R-15, Annual Renewal of the Group Health Insurance Contract with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois effective December 1, 2015.

Mayor Bolin asked if there were items any Trustee would like removed from the Consent Agenda to be considered separately. There were no items to be considered separately. The Consent Agenda was accepted as presented.

Mayor Bolin called for a motion to approve all items under the Consent Agenda. The motion was made by Trustee Johnson and seconded by Trustee Wilson. The motion was approved by roll call vote. 6 ayes (Trustees Snodgrass, Johnson, Wilson, Bailey, Beck and Mayor Bolin), 0 nays, and 1 absent (Trustee Kidd)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Bolin called for a motion to cancel the December 21 Board Meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Bailey and seconded by Trustee Beck. The motion was approved by roll call vote. 6 ayes (Trustees Snodgrass, Johnson, Wilson, Bailey, Beck and Mayor Bolin), 0 nays, and 1 absent (Trustee Kidd)

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CLOSED SESSION: None

Trustee Wilson moved to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Beck. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

APPROVED:

Lori J. Mitchell, MMC
Village Clerk

22. Consent Agenda*

Ordinance 44-15/1st Rdg

Ordinance 46-15/1st Rdg

Ordinance 47-15/1st Rdg

Resolution 68-R-15

Accept Consent Agenda

Approved All Items on
Consent Agenda

23. Unfinished Business
None

24. New Business –

Cancelled Dec 21 Meeting

25. Public Comment - None

26. Closed Session - None

28. Adjourn

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BOARD MEETING – FIRST AND THIRD MONDAY AT 6:00 PM EXCEPT WHEN A HOLIDAY FALLS ON A BOARD MEETING MONDAY, THE MEETING IS RESCHEDULED FOR THE TUESDAY AFTER THAT HOLIDAY.

Administration and Finance Committee – First and Third Monday @ 5:45 PM prior to a regularly scheduled Board Meeting.

Planning and Economic Development Comm.- First Monday of each month at 5:30 PM

Public Improvements and Safety Comm. - Third Monday of each month at 5:30 PM

Planning and Zoning Commission – Fourth Monday of each month at 6:00 PM

These minutes are not official unless signed and sealed by the Village Clerk.

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES