

APPROVED MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES; COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL
April 13, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the April 13, 2011 special meeting before the Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hanson and the Village Board of Trustees led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Pierce, Sakas, and Jozwiak. Also present were Mayor Hanson, Administrator Keim, Attorney Long and Clerk Rowe.

IV. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Chris Lienhardt, Assistant Fire Chief – Fire Chief Nixon reported that he recently appointed Chris Lienhardt as Assistant Fire Chief. Chief Nixon said that Chris Lienhardt has been a member of the department for almost 20 years is an asset to the department. He said the Assistant Chief will be in charge of administrative services, MAVIS Coordinator and does fire protection. Following Clerk Rowe administering the Oath of Office to Assistant Fire Chief Lienhardt, Mayor Hanson and the Board of Trustees congratulated him on his appointment. Mr. and Mrs. Lienhardt, present in the audience said that Chris showed an interest in the fire departments as early as 5 years old and that they were very happy for him and very proud of him.

2. Bill Balling – Lake Michigan Water Planning Group - Administrator Keim introduced Bill Balling, Lake Michigan Water Planning Group, who gave an update regarding the Lake Michigan Water planning group and memorandum of understanding. He explained that there are now policy and technical groups established in this planning group consisting of city officials and administrators. Mr. Balling retired as the manager for the Village of Buffalo Grove after 29 years, is an independent project manager who recently became involved in the Lake Michigan Water Planning Group. Mr. Balling discussed his experiences with the communities in the southwest suburbs who have been involved in similar projects. He explained that this project is still in the early phases and is hoping the policy group will focus on three core issues; permanent governance, financing options and source and supply. He said Lake County has been identified as an option may be available through the Central JAWA group and the City of Waukegan may also be a supplier. He further explained that the policy and the technical groups meet twice monthly and that hopefully will have some of direction narrowed down this summer. Mr. Balling said the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is the organization structure vehicle that will bridge the organization until we have a permanent vehicle.

Trustee Pierce discussed recent newspaper articles and said that he is most likely the lone person opposed to this plan. He asked if we need every organization in to move forward. Mr. Balling responded that generally, we do not need all of the organizations, but the more that are involved helps with the economics, but each community will have to determine what would work best in their communities.

Board members discussed getting the allocation, different rate scenarios, and the possible increased cost to join the planning group at a later date. They also discussed the current structure and how the expenditures for the Lake Michigan Planning groups are approved for payment. Administrator Keim recommended that the Village Board approve the MOU at this time to see how the Village of Antioch would fit going forward. He also said the expenditure is included in the FY 2012 budget and that it wouldn't be prudent to exit at this time since we have come so far. The consensus of those present was that it would be prudent to continue and move forward with the Memorandum of Understanding and this item will be placed on the April 18, 2010 Village Board meeting agenda for consideration. Mayor Hanson said this is the next step in this process and public education sessions would need to be planned. He said that we are considering this now so that we may be prepared in the future if it's needed.

3. Well 9 Update – Administrator Keim reported the background and current condition of Well 9 located in the Neumann Homes subdivision and said this is not your average failure. He said that in mid to late February we had some electrically issues and we believe that it may have been caused by lightening strikes or power surges. Administrator Keim said that pump assembly is located 600 feet below surface and that the motor became detached and is sitting about 1000 feet. The estimated repair costs are \$100,000 and that a tool would be fabricated to retrieve the motor. Administrator Keim said that we have submitted an insurance claim and that he is looking for authorization to pay for this repair. Consensus of those present indicated that this item will be placed on the April 18, 2011 regular Village Board meeting agenda for consideration.

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4. ERI Resolutions – Finance Director McCarthy reviewed the IMRF Early Retirement Incentive Resolutions and said there are 8 employees who are eligible. She explained that the Village would need to pass a resolution approving an early retirement incentive and there is an additional resolution that allows the Village buy extra years, tax free. Mayor Hanson said that this is not going to be used to make people leave, but the Village is looking at the overall finances and would not be replacing positions. Following discussion, the consensus of the Board members present was to place the resolutions on the April 18, 2011 Village Board regular meeting agenda for consideration.

5. Capital Budget – Administrator Keim reviewed the Capital Improvement Budget which depicts a 5-year Capital Improvement Plan. He said that each department completes a capital request sheet, typically for items that are over \$10,000 or regular capital projects. The plan has a lot of items that we can't fund, but we use this document for planning ahead. He reviewed the grant projects that we appropriate for added Well 9 repair to make sure that we appropriate for it. There was a discussion regarding the fire engine matching grant which would cost the Village and the district each about \$57,000. Administrator Keim said the grant team is doing a great job utilizing every possible source. He also discussed the road programs and said that roads are evaluated every two years and that we would continue looking for grant sources. He also discussed the number of subdivisions that were approved in the late 1990's and early 2000's and said that we have a lot of roadway miles that are aging at the same rate which may impact the road program in the next few years. Administrator Keim explained the number of roads we need to repair each year due to age and said that we are currently running behind about three miles of road per year. Administrator Keim discussed the police car fleet and said that staff will be coming forward with recommendations. Administrator Keim also discussed the front end loader and the possibility to purchase a 'gently used' vehicle. Attorney Long will look into finding a way to authorize the purchase of used equipment within a certain price range.

6. FY 2012 Budget – Administrator Keim reviewed the FY 2012 Budget and said that if we implement many of the items previously discussed, we are down to a \$374,000 deficit. He said that this is still a deficit budget and that he would need Board approval to utilize the utility taxes to balance the budget. Mayor Hanson said that costs are going up and revenues continue to decline. He said that staff and the Village Board have done everything they could do to address the situation. Administrator Keim said that we would continue to build reserves. Trustee Sakas asked to see a report showing what funds the utility tax is obligated for and balances. Finance department will prepare a report. It was the consensus of those present to place the Capital Improvement and FY 2012 Budget on the April 18, 2011 regular meeting agenda for consideration.

V. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No report.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

No report.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Jozwiak moved, seconded by Trustee Sakas for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to go into executive session at 9:12 p.m. to discuss personnel. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Pierce, Sakas, Jozwiak and Mayor Hanson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 3: Poulos, Crosby and Wolczyk.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Jozwiak moved, seconded by Trustee Pierce for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to return from executive session to the open meeting at 9:30 p.m. with no action taken. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Pierce, Sakas, Jozwiak and Mayor Hanson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 3: Poulos, Crosby and Wolczyk.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Trustee Jozwiak moved, seconded by Trustee to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 9:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candi L. Rowe, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk