

APPROVED MINUTES

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL
October 15, 2014**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the October 15, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:02 pm in the Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor and Board of Trustees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Pierce, Jozwiak, Poulos, Dominiak and Crosby. Also present were Attorney Long, Administrator Keim and Clerk Folbrick. Absent: Trustee Johnson.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Dominiak moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak, to approve the August 13, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Pierce, Jozwiak, Poulos, Dominiak and Crosby.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Johnson.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Jozwiak moved, seconded by Trustee Crosby, to approve the September 10, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Pierce, Jozwiak, Poulos, Dominiak and Crosby.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Johnson.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

V. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Waste Management Contract Extension Proposal – Administrator Keim reviewed the current 5-year refuse hauling contract with Waste Management. He introduced Mr. Michael Brink who presented the proposal to extend their current contract. He provided a brief history of the company, and their staff's vast knowledge of the area and services provided in the community. The proposed extension includes a sharps kiosk and emergency response capabilities in the event of a potential strike or major catastrophe. Their offer is to keep the current level of service for the next calendar year, and an increase in years 2-5 within a 2-4% range. Mr. Brink provided a comparison to 3 surrounding communities and their rates. Mr. Brink stated that yard waste service could be removed to help save costs, but other options would have to be considered.

Trustee Dominiak asked what the recycle bank service includes. Mr. Brink replied that residents could get service points towards gift certificates for recycling. He further discussed the organics option, and is still working with the facility on implementation. They will provide the compactor and fluorescent bulb recycling kits as a part of the contract. Once gone, the Village can decide if they would like to sign up for the program again.

Trustee Crosby asked if other companies were priced. Administrator Keim replied that the current contract ends in 2015, and staff brought the extension proposal to the board to see if they wanted that option or to request proposals (RFP) from other companies. Trustee Crosby asked to go to RFP to consider all other options. Mr. Brink encouraged reaching out to Walter Willis at SWALCO to gather input. Trustee Crosby

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asked about notification for holiday pickup. Mr. Brink replied that an out-dial is typical and information is added to the Village website and newsletter.

Trustee Pierce commended the services Waste Management has provided, and would like to know what benefits the village receives financially from the electronic recycling drop off. Trustee Pierce asked the board to consider the impact of using a different contract, and the benefits of using Waste Management.

2. Liquor License Request from Graham Enterprises for the property located at Route 83 and North Avenue – Mr. Patrick Graham reviewed his request for a liquor license at the former 7-11 property located at the northeast corner of North Avenue and Route 83. Graham leased the property to 7-11 five years ago, and have plans to take it over as a company operated site. They currently hold 18 liquor licenses, and take the privilege seriously utilizing a program that does quality service control to eliminate underage drinking, as well as software that prompts the cashier to request ID.

Trustees discussed the location, the brand, political signs at the site, and safety for the cashiers. Chief Somerville asked for a better line of communication with the cashiers as it is a very vulnerable corner, in the interest of safety as well as video surveillance.

Attorney Long asked if there is an anticipated timeframe for opening. Mr. Graham is unhappy with the timeline that has occurred to date due to circumstances beyond his control, and would like to open as soon as possible. Those present agreed to place this item on the agenda for Monday.

3. Lake Michigan Water Update – Mr. Timothy Hartnett and Mr. Mark Hardie, HR Green, provided an update on their findings regarding the allocation of Lake Michigan Water.

Mr. Mark Hardie, PE, reviewed the options to purchase treated water and deliver to Antioch's water distribution system. Four different water supply alternatives were evaluated. Kenosha Water Utility, Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency, City of Waukegan and Lake County Public Water District in Zion. Meetings were held with the 3 Illinois agencies, where information was gathered regarding their systems and to gauge the cost and feasibility of purchasing water from their facilities. Wisconsin allocation is more challenging with DNR requirements differing from state to state. Mr. Hardie depicted a map of the main routes from their supply points to Antioch that have been explored.

Administrator Keim discussed the allocation and that it's a graduated number. Large users could affect the allocation and a request for an increase would be needed. Those present discussed the limits and installation or sharing of pipes. Administrator Keim discussed the EFPA Water plan and installation of the 16" pipe from approximately Body Craft to just west of Crawford Road.

Mr. Hardie discussed costs for the estimated capital expense for 5 million gallon days (MGD) capacity, delivered water charge per 1,000 gallons, and repair and replacement accounts at water treatment plants. Repair and replacement accounts/costs may be included in either the capital cost or user rates depending on the facility. Trustee Pierce asked to include the costs for improvements to the current system as an option as well.

Trustee Dominiak asked if the Village selling the water was considered. Administrator Keim replied that it was an original idea during the RFP interview process, but didn't go past that point. He said it may be a future study after allocation is granted. Increased MGD and pipe ownership will need to be considered. Those present discussed potential sellers and distribution centers. Trustees discussed the option of using our own pipe from Lake Michigan instead of hooking into someone else. Mr. Hartnett said that option was presented initially, however, there is no property available for the Village of Antioch to purchase to install a pipeline that could connect to Antioch.

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Mr. Hardie reviewed the summary of transmission costs for each of the 4 options including distance and the engineer's estimate of probable cost, not including connection fees or upgrades needed. The evaluation will review the treated water costs for lower flow to higher flow. The next steps for the study are to meet with WIDNR and Kenosha Water Utility, water supply agency review and feedback, pre-final study review by Village staff and a final presentation to the Village Board.

Trustee Dominiak asked when a decision needs to be made. Administrator Keim replied that there's a possibility of getting the allocation revoked unless no action has been taken. Mr. Hartnett said he will confirm and get it in writing that good faith efforts will keep allocation in place. Attorney Long confirmed that they made that comment at a previous meeting.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Trustee Crosby announced that all of the town hall meetings regarding ambulance services have concluded and door to door visits may happen in the future.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel and Pending Litigation, Lease of Village Property, Collective Bargaining

Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak, for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to go into executive session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss pending litigation. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Pierce, Jozwiak, Poulos, Dominiak and Crosby.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Johnson.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Dominiak moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak, for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to return from executive session to the open meeting at 8:32 p.m. with **no action taken**. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Pierce, Jozwiak, Poulos, Dominiak and Crosby.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Johnson.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Pierce asked if the Village is interested in pursuing legal action against ARS. Trustee Dominiak said they aren't our assets to go after, and as a 501c3 have a right to distribute those assets as they wish.

Attorney Long replied that they have to follow a plan of dissolution, and is not sure what will remain at the end of the litigation in which they are currently involved. Attorney Long will contract the Attorney General to check on the status of the dissolution. Trustee Crosby commented that the board is under criticism and agrees that the Village Board needs to make sure they have done everything possible, and suggested a press release saying what has been done in attempts to remedy the situation. Administrator Keim replied that a potential response for trustees may be that this is why it needs to transition to a fully accountable entity. We have no control over how they distribute their assets as a private 501c3.

Attorney Long suggested that we find their plan of distribution, and see if they are or are not violating their plan. Private organizations that donated money in the past are entitled to know where their money went.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Folbrick, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk