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**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL
December 16, 2015**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the December 16, 2015 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 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: Macek, Jozwiak, Dominiak, Pierce and Johnson. Also present were Mayor Hanson, Attorney Long, Administrator Keim and Clerk Folbrick. Absent: Trustee Poulos.

IV. ABSENT TRUSTEES WISHING TO ATTEND REMOTELY

There were no trustees wishing to attend remotely.

V. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Proposed Environmental Commission Ordinance Amendments – Trustee Macek reviewed the request to reduce the membership in order to obtain a quorum. Attorney Long added that the commission is proposing compensation for their service and the proposed ordinance specifies rules for alternates. There will be a resolution clearing up the appointments of current members. Trustee Dominiak asked if the other boards and commissions should mimic the same regulations of alternate members and chairman recommendations. Discussions ensued regarding the need for alternates. Those present agreed with the proposed changes. This item will be placed on Monday's Village Board agenda for consideration.

2. Presentation on Tax Levy – Finance Director McCarthy presented the process and review of the tax levy requirements. She reviewed the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) and tax caps in place. The timeline includes setting the CPI by the US Dept of Labor, publications, public hearing, tentative levy, and filing requirements. She discussed abatements for the ERZ and MFT bonds, taxes levied, and the calculation process. She explained that the estimated EAV is artificially inflated in case new construction building or home improvements have increased substantially. The proposed published increase does not translate to a property tax increase to residents. Mayor Hanson reminded the board that the public hearing will be at 7pm on Monday.

3. Personnel Records Policy – Clerk Folbrick reviewed the proposed policy. The previous policy allowed employees to remove certain disciplinary action from their files after a 2-year period if no additional action was taken. The proposed policy will no longer allow the removal of those materials from the file. This item will be placed on the next Village Board consent agenda for consideration.

4. Discussion regarding the option for terrorism insurance coverage – Administrator Keim said that the coverage requires specific declarations by federal officials. It must be offered as part of the package, and either elected or waived when binding coverage. No occurrence of terrorism coverage has paid out at the level of coverage being considered. The cost of terrorism coverage is \$1,800 annually. Trustee Macek discussed the risk of liability on employees that may be dispatched to

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other areas where an act of terror has occurred. Attorney Long stated that the ILWC act covers employees that are injured during the course of their job. Trustee Pierce indicated that he is not interested in spending the money on terrorism insurance coverage. Trustees discussed coverage of employees that may be injured as a result of a terrorist act. Chief Nixon said the mutual aid agreements in place cover work comp for firefighter employees. Employees responding to Chicago for any act would be covered under mutual aid. Chief Huffman added that it is the same for law enforcement, covered anywhere in the state. Administrator Keim asked board members to indicate to him in email if they want terrorism coverage. Trustee Macek will forward information to the board that he has regarding the topic and trustees will notify Administrator Keim if they would like to elect the terrorism coverage. Trustee Pierce said he does not support the coverage.

5. Discussion regarding Village Codes related to Parking – Trustee Jozwiak expressed concern with the current parking requirements for theaters, and RV parking at Wal-Mart. Administrator Keim said parking stalls must meet the minimum requirement if new plans are submitted. Trustee Dominiak said she will send comments separately to Chief Huffman, and related concerns made by residents regarding the parking of recreational vehicles in driveways. Trustee Pierce expressed concern with HOA requirements, and their enforcement of those specific requirements. He was also concerned about Antioch being a recreational area and boating community, and the need to accommodate those residents as well. Administrator Keim indicated that the current code does not allow parking of recreational vehicles beyond the front setback of the home. Trustee Macek discussed the prohibition of on-street deliveries and its impact on downtown business. Trustees will email their parking comments to Chief Huffman, and ongoing ordinance amendments will be considered.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

No report.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel and Pending Litigation, Lease of Village Property, Collective Bargaining – The Mayor and Board of Trustees did not go into executive session.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Folbrick, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk