

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch IL
Wednesday, September 11, 2013**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the September 11, 2013 Village Board Special 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 Board of Trustees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Sakas, Poulos, Dominiak, Crosby and Johnson. Also present were Mayor Hanson, Attorney Long, Administrator Keim and Secretary Mateja. Absent: Trustee Pierce

IV. APPROVAL

Approval of the August 14, 2013 Committee of the Whole Minutes as presented. Trustee Poulos moved, seconded by Trustee Sakas, to approve the August 14, 2013 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

<u>YES:</u>	<u>5:</u>	Sakas, Poulos, Dominiak, Crosby and Johnson.
<u>NO:</u>	<u>0:</u>	
<u>ABSTAIN:</u>	<u>0:</u>	
<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>1:</u>	Pierce

THE MOTION CARRIED.

V. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Antioch Movie Theater Redevelopment: Tim Downey

Tim Downey informed the board of his interest in investing in the Antioch Theater. He explained his plans to bring the building up to code and expand the theater from one screen to a two screen high definition digital theater. This will allow new releases to be shown back to back and stream live performances such as the Nutcracker for special occasions to increase revenue. Mr. Downey is looking for additional investors plus help from the community to bring this historical landmark back to life.

Trustee Dominiak asked if he had researched available grants or fundraisers to offset costs. Mr. Downey indicated he is currently looking into an on-line fundraiser but has been unable to find any grants for renovations to the theater. Mr. Downey asked if the Village would consider waiving permit fees, conduct fundraisers and consider becoming an investor. Trustee Crosby indicated his concerns on how we proceed with this request because it could become an issue with current business owners and upcoming investors.

All Trustees agreed this topic needs further discussion from the Village Board and Attorney Long before adding the item to an upcoming Village Board agenda.

2. Fire Department Acquisition of Used Ambulance

Chief Nixon informed the board he has found a well kept used ambulance with low mileage for the purchase price of \$20,000. The ambulance is a medium chase vehicle in excellent condition with a recommended life span of twenty years. Chief Nixon also explained if we were to lease the same ambulance it would cost \$340,000 for three years which includes the mandatory maintenance costs. He informed the board to purchase a new ambulance fully stocked, it would cost \$225,000. After the purchase of this new ambulance the only cost we would have in order to stock the vehicle would be \$7,000 for a cot. Donations were received for the purchase life packs. Chief Nixon strongly recommends the purchase of this ambulance to the board.

Trustee Dominiak was concerned that the purchase of this ambulance would indicate The Village was going into the EMS business.

Trustee Poulos indicated this is an investment to reduce contract cost only.

All Trustees agreed to add this item to the next Village Board agenda for consideration.

3. First Fire District Subcommittee Discussion

Administrator Keim discussed the committee has been meeting regularly with positive results. He did indicate formal action should be taken if everyone agrees on the subcommittee's vision. He also would like to retain attorney John Kelly, and Antioch Township has requested two committee members be added to the committee with one vote between the two of them.

Mr. Tabar wanted to stress the need to educate the public on what occurs when they dial 911. A lot of work is going into making this complicated system work. All boards need to be kept in the loop and on the same page to better serve our residents. He also indicated he agreed the Township representatives should have a voting right. Trustee Dominiak agrees we need to work together but is concerned on the voting. Mr. Tabar indicated the Township voting right is only to determine if an item should be presented to the board.

Trustee Crosby agreed having Attorney John Kelly on retainer would be an asset.

All Trustees agreed to add this item to the next Village Board agenda.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

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.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board Committee Of The Whole adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Mateja
Village Secretary