## VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH

# VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch IL

Wednesday, March 12, 2014 @ 7:00PM

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the March 12, 2014 Village Board Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:03 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: Jozwiak, 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 February 12, 2014 Meeting Committee of the Whole Minutes as presented. Trustee Crosby moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak, to approve the February 12, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES:	5:	Jozwiak, Poulos, Dominiak, Crosby & Johnson.
NO:	0:	
ABSTAIN:	0:	
ABSENT:	1:	Pierce
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THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Pierce arrived at 7:07PM

#### V. REGULAR BUSINESS

#### 1. Antioch Lifestyle Corridor Plan

Director Nilsen explained how in partnership with the Chicago Metro Agency for Planning, the Village is nearing the final draft stages of its Lifestyle Corridor Planning efforts. Phase 1 focuses on the developed areas of the Village. Phase 2 focuses on regional routes and connections to the Lake County Forest Preserve and State owned facilities to the East. The goal is to establish the east to west principal arterial pedestrian network from the Chain of Lakes to the Des Plaines River Trail. This project is broken up by small improvements such as crosswalk restriping and painting bike lanes on current roadways and other major overhauls.

Trustee Pierce thinks it is a great concept but is concerned how Antioch residents would react to the cost. Director Nilsen informed the Board that having the plans approved increases the potential to obtain competitive grants.

Trustee Crosby asked if we had a time frame for completion. Director Nilsen replied it would all depend upon the monies available we can go as slow or as fast as funds would allow.

Trustee Dominiak asked if Antioch Township has been involved since we want to connect to the Chain of Lakes Trails. Chicago Metro Agency representative Jason Navota, explained that IDOT controls the Chain of Lakes trail and they have been involved. Director Nilsen informed the Board he would meet with Antioch Township as well.

Trustee Poulos indicated concerns with the portion of trail through Osmond Park flooding. Director Nilsen was already aware and is currently looking into a resolution.

All Trustees agreed to place this item on the next Village Board Meeting Agenda for consideration.

#### 2. Hamilton Partners Proposal for a Public / Private Partnership

Director Nilsen introduced Mr. Mike Ralphs from Hamilton Partners who explained their proposal. He said they provide quality commercial space to meet the needs of customers. Mr. Ralphs proposed a real estate investment for a new Village Hall / Public Works building along with retail space opportunities. He explained the Village would have full control on what was being done and spent while Hamilton would be the main point of contact for contractors. Mr. Ralphs explained the cost would be \$7.2M, and if a Village bond finances the project they would not have to start paying for a few years. He added that after 20 years the Village would own the buildings outright.

After further discussion, all Trustees agreed this item needs further discussions, but thanked Hamilton Partners for their hard work.

#### 3. Lauterbach & Amen Auditing Services

Director McCarthy recommended we continue a contract with Lauterbach & Amen Auditing Services. She explained not many firms can audit government, and they charge less then most firms.

Mayor Hanson asked that Director McCarthy research other firms before committing to Lauterbach & Amen Auditing. Trustee Poulos suggested an RFQ be done, stating the Village can still go back to Lauterbach & Amen after reviewing other firms.

Upon further discussion, all Trustees agreed to move forward with an RFQ, and to place this item on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for consideration.

#### 4. Preliminary Budget Update

Administrator Keim reported all department budgets have been submitted. He informed the Board he will be setting up department meetings to review budgets, and noted that the General Operation Fund will end up negative due to EMS costs as anticipated, but was not able to give an exact number until we receive billing from Superior.

All Trustees agreed this item needs further discussion before placing on a future Board Meeting Agenda.

#### VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Trustee Crosby said last nights First Public Safety Meeting had many reasonable concerns that he would like to address at the upcoming Board Meeting. Attorney Long indicated it should be okay to put on the next Village Board Meeting Agenda.

Administrator Keim indicated he would like to meet with Trustee Jozwiak, Trustee Poulos and Director Nilsen to discuss Lake Michigan Water. He also indicated he would like to discuss Energy Aggregation again because the prices are increasing.

Trustee Dominiak asked if the Board would consider meeting only every two weeks or possibly once a month. Mayor Hanson will review and discuss his findings at a later Board Meeting.

VII. <u>EXEXUTIVE SESSION</u> - 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 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Mateja
Village Secretary