

APPROVED MINUTES

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL
August 28, 2019**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the August 28, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:05 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, Macek, Yost, Dominiak, Poulos and Johnson. Also present were Mayor Hanson, Attorney Long, Administrator Keim and Clerk Romine.

IV. ABSENT TRUSTEES WISHING TO ATTEND REMOTELY

There were no absent trustees wishing to attend remotely.

V. Approval of the July 24, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes as presented

Trustee Dominiak moved, seconded by Trustee Poulos, to approve the July 24, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Macek, Yost, Dominiak, Poulos and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

ABSTAIN: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VI. REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Antioch's Business District Discussion – Administrator Keim reviewed the history of the recently formed business district at Route 173 and Deep Lake Road. The original business district was intended to be much larger, but lacked contiguity to the downtown area to allow businesses west of the approved business district into the district. At this time, annexations have not been completed in order to make the business district contiguous. In the event that annexations are unattainable, he wanted to begin discussions on a second business district. There may be the ability to pour funds from one district into the other, and he is currently discussing those options with the attorney. He would like to use the funds to improve problem areas such as the Pittman property and Grimm road, but wants to make sure proper funds are being used. He asked for input on proceeding with the annexation and moving forward with the second business district at the same time. Administrator Keim added that the business districts could possibly be combined in the future with an amendment if contiguity is obtained between the districts. Trustees agreed with the strategy proposed by Administrator Keim to move forward on parallel paths for the annexation and second business district. Administrator Keim said there may be a possibility that the two districts could share funds if they are separated by a right-of-way or forest preserve, but further consultations need to be made with the legal team. He also discussed the potential to issue revenue bonds for some of the identified projects in the business district. He expects an engagement with SB Friedman for the eligibility study may be considered at the next meeting.

2. Discussion regarding Cannabis Regulations – Attorney Long explained the public hearing process to see if this is something the village would like to do, and what they may consider allowing in specified zoning districts. He presented the proposed ordinance which will be considered by the planning and zoning board for a recommendation. Other sections of the Village code will have to be amended to comply with state statute. Attorney Long provided an overview of the statute, regulations, licensing by the state, and potential for

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locations in the village. Trustees discussed distance restrictions and which properties are included in those restrictions, as well as what Lake County may approve. They also discussed the number of licenses available through the state, and allocation of the licenses. Trustee Dominiak challenged the process, and thinks that the board needs to decide whether or not to opt in or opt out before it is considered by the planning and zoning board. She added that considerations will also need to be made as far as allowing cultivation, growers, infusers, etc. Those present agreed to have a public meeting on Monday, September 16 to discuss and allow public input on the topic.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Trustee Pierce discussed sign enforcement and a dispute between residents of the Oakwood Knolls homeowners association, in which he has become involved.

Trustee Dominiak discussed an email from a concerned resident regarding the Pittman property, and asked staff to post information regarding the status of the site. She also expressed concern with the recent epidemic of vaping related hospitalizations, and asked the board to consider if they want to take a stance on the ability to have the products sold in town.

Mayor Hanson discussed the proposed sawmill sign discussed at a previous meeting, and stated that the park was already dedicated. This sign will be more of a recognition and information piece, not a dedication. Staff is working on a sign and will bring it to the village board for their consideration.

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

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Romine, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk