

APPROVED MINUTES

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Antioch Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002
Call In (312)626-6799 Access Code: 592-598-564
December 8, 2021**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gartner called the December 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 pm at the Antioch Municipal Building located at 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL and via Zoom.

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*, Pedersen, Bluthardt*, Burman and Dominiak. Also present were Mayor Gartner, Attorney Muthleb, Administrator Keim* and Clerk Romine.

**indicates attendance via Zoom*

IV. Absent Trustees Wishing to Attend Remotely

No approval is needed for remote participation pursuant to the Governor's order.

V. Approval of the November 10, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented

Trustee Dominiak moved, seconded by Trustee Pedersen, to approve the November 10, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Pierce, Macek, Pedersen, Burman and Dominiak.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 0.

ABSTAIN: 1: Bluthardt.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VI. Mayoral Report

Acknowledgements – Tom Dvorak 25 years of service - Mayor Gartner recognized retired employee Tom Dvorak on his 25 years of service to the Village.

1. Oath of Office – Officer Jake Bolton – Chief Guttschow provided a brief history on the new recruit, and his previous employment with the Village of Antioch as a community service officer. Clerk Romine administered the oath of office to Officer Bolton.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

There were no citizens wishing to address the board at this time.

VII. Regular Business

1. Discussion regarding an Ordinance amending Section 4-2C-4 of the Municipal Code regarding hours of business for establishments which sell alcohol – Chief Guttschow explained the reason for the ordinance amendment, stating that this will clarify previous practices of hours of operation for liquor establishments on Sunday evening.

Trustees discussed the proposed hours, and recommended keeping hours similar to Lake County.

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2. Discussion regarding an Ordinance amending Section 4-13-1 of the Municipal Code regarding Video Gaming Licensing – Clerk Romine advised that the state approved a bill increasing the fees municipalities are allowed to collect for video gaming from \$25 to \$250/machine. The bill was approved, but has yet to be signed by the Governor. She asked the board if they would be interested in increasing the fees per machine. There are currently 93 video gaming machines in the Village. At \$25/machine the current revenue is approximately \$2,325. Increasing the fee to \$250 would add over \$20,000 in revenue to the Village. Trustees agreed with an increase in the video gaming terminal fees.

3. Discussion regarding an Ordinance amending Title 5 of the Municipal Code of Antioch regarding public health and safety – Director Garrigan presented an overview of the proposed ordinance previously discussed in order to address challenging properties within the Village limits. Staff has worked with the attorney to draft an ordinance which has withstood challenges. He also discussed other requirements included in the ordinance.

Trustee Pierce thinks this ordinance is long overdue and asked if there was a fee for the compliance certificate. Director Garrigan responded that the plan is to have an application and inspection fee which would cover staff personnel costs.

Trustee Macek suggested a requirement for video surveillance, to which Director Garrigan responded that was previously included but challenged, so it was removed from this draft.

Trustee Pedersen discussed fees, and the frequency of applications.

Trustee Dominiak asked if public safety needs to be more clearly defined. Director Garrigan replied that the building codes outline what constitutes public safety, such as electrical, structural or mold issues.

Trustee Pedersen asked if parking would be addressed with this ordinance. Director Garrigan provided examples of when that would be enforceable.

This will come back to another Committee of the Whole meeting for discussion.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Romine, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk