

APPROVED MINUTES

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002
February 14, 2024**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gartner called the January 24, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:16 pm at the Antioch Municipal Building located at 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL and via Zoom.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Burman, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen. Also present were Mayor Gartner, Attorney Vasselli, Acting Administrator Guttschow and Clerk Romine. Absent: Trustee Bluthardt.

III. Absent Trustees Wishing to Attend Remotely

There were no Trustees attending remotely.

IV. Mayoral Report –

None.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

None.

V. Regular Business

1. Approval of the January 24, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented – Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve the January 24, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Bluthardt.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. Discussion regarding the final steps of the Parks Master Plan – Director Quilty discussed the recommendation by the Park Board to move forward with approval of the plan and outlined the proposed costs over a 5-year period. She discussed input from the community, which are listed as priorities in the report, and the guiding tool to be used moving forward.

Trustee Pierce asked how the plans will be financed, and he believes the funding should be from new revenue sources. Director Quilty said the board can choose which projects they would like to fund and support.

Trustee McNeill asked how long the evaluation process takes. Director Quilty said it could be spread out over the two years. Mayor Gartner said the board will have to make decisions moving forward on which projects to prioritize.

Director Quilty said Hitchcock will bring back the final plan at the April meeting.

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3. Discussion regarding a Site Plan Review for Antioch Community High School located at 1133 Main Street related to parking area modifications – Director Garrigan discussed the request from the Antioch Community High School to modify their existing parking area adjacent to the southern drop off area of the school, stating that the applicant is proposed to reconfigure the site into 4 handicapped spaces.

Trustee Pedersen asked about the entrance from Route 83, and Director Garrigan responded that it will still be an access point.

4. Discussion regarding a tobacco license request for Vape Zone Smoke Shop to be located at 417 IL Route 173 – The applicant presented their request for a tobacco license at 417 Route 173.

Trustee Pierce asked about proximity to other tobacco retailers and said he doesn't agree with the location.

Trustee Macek said he does not support this, and is concerned about health impacts.

Mayor Gartner asked if they own other locations. Mr. Assad said he operates in Gurnee and Racine.

Trustee Pedersen said they have already turned someone down because there are no licenses available, and doesn't see the possibility of adding a license for this location. She is not in favor of moving forward with creating another license for a smoke shop and doesn't believe we need anymore.

Mayor Gartner asked the petitioner if they would like to move forward with their request. If they do not want to move forward, fees may be refunded. The applicant is directed to work with staff on the status of their application.

5. Discussion regarding an extension of the Special use Permit for Consume Antioch for an additional six months from the date of January 12, 2024 – Director Garrigan reviewed the request to extend the special use permit for Consume Cannabis at the property commonly known as 453 Main Street, stating that the applicant is still working with the Illinois Department of Transportation for an access permit. Additionally, final engineering review is still in process for the proposed 9,000 square foot building.

This item will be placed on the next Village Board agenda for consideration.

6. Discussion regarding the purchase of Security Cameras for the Open Space Development – IT Manager Amy Pisciotto presented the proposals received related to the installation of security cameras at the new Open Space Development at the corner of Main and Orchard. Based on the proposals received, staff recommends Imperial Surveillance for the project.

Trustee Pierce discussed the area of the bridge. IT Manager Pisciotto discussed the coverage areas and placement. Trustee Pierce asked about the camera the builder is using, and if it may be available to use after the park is built.

Trustee Macek discussed his initiative in getting cameras in the Village.

Trustee Burman asked how much has been spent so far on the project and the actual cost for the pavilion. Chief Guttschow will get the information for the Board. Finance Director Torres said the

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storage for the gazebo was \$3,000, and she will email a report on what has been spent and what funding is available.

This item will be placed on the next Village Board agenda for consideration.

7. Discussion regarding an Ordinance amending the Antioch Village Code regarding the unauthorized use of electric vehicle charging stations within the Village of Antioch, Illinois – Acting Administrator Guttschow presented the ordinance which allows fines for unauthorized vehicles parked in designated charging stations. He also addressed concerns regarding enforcement and assessing fees for use. This item will be placed on the next Village Board agenda for consideration.

8. Discussion regarding an Ordinance adding Section 7-4-6 to the Antioch Village Code regarding the use of snowmobiles within the Village of Antioch, Illinois – Acting Administrator Guttschow reviewed the ordinance regulating the use of snowmobiles within Village limits. Trustee Macek asked if ATV's could be added. This item will be placed on the next Village Board agenda for consideration.

9. Discussion regarding an Intergovernmental Agreement with School District #34 and the Village of Lake Villa for a School Resource Officer at Oakland School – Chief Guttschow reviewed the agreement to provide for a School Resource Officer (SRO) at Oakland School in conjunction with the Village of Lake Villa. Trustee Pierce asked if we had the resources to provide an SRO. Chief Guttschow said this is a shared model where one SRO will be allocated to the district on a full-time basis. The position will primarily be based out of the upper grade school, but there may be a need in some of the other elementary schools.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel and Pending Litigation, Lease of Village Property, Collective Bargaining

– Trustee Macek moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to enter into executive session at 8:09pm to discuss Collective Bargaining and pending litigation. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, McNeill, Pierce, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Bluthardt.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Pierce, to return from executive session at 8:45 with **no action taken**. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES:

NO:

ABSENT:

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Romine, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk