VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH BOARD OF TRUSTEES; REGULAR MEETING Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL November 2, 2009

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the November 2, 2009 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, Illinois.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hanson and the Board of Trustees led in the Pledge of the Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak. Also present were Mayor Hanson, Administrator Keim, Attorney Long and Clerk Rowe.

IV. MAYORAL REPORT

No report.

V. CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

John Pendola, Mackenzie Drive resident, discussed concerns regarding a neighbor who is operating a child daycare facility in their home. Mr. Pendola indicated there were 9-14 kids dropped off daily with cars beginning to arrive at 6:00 a.m. He said that he's concerned with safety if there was a fire in the home, the yard not being fenced and nearby coyotes since the lots back up to a farm and the children playing in the yard unsupervised and traffic concerns. Director of Planning and Zoning Nilsen said that he aware of this situation as well as other similar circumstances in the village. He also discussed the State regulations that pertain to home day cares that are outside our domain and power. He said that he would look at the traffic matter, research the state regulations and will provide the Board with a summary report.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Wolczyz moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

1. Approval of the October 19, 2009 meeting minutes as presented.

Upon roll call, the vote was: YES: 6: Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak. NO: 0. THE MOTION CARRIED.

VII. REGULAR BUSINESS

2. Consideration of payment of accounts payable as prepared by village staff – Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Sakas to approve payment of accounts payable as prepared by village staff in the amount of \$251,416.30.

Trustee Pierce noted that \$86,000 is for medical insurance.

Upon roll call, the vote was: YES: 6: Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak. NO: 0. THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. Consideration of the Approval of an Amendment to the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010 – Administrator Keim explained the fiscal 2010 budget was approved on June 15, 2009 and due to many factors including the economic downturn, the mid-year revenue projections as significantly down. Board members reviewed the amendment at the October 14, 2009 Committee of the Whole meeting. The corrected budget was reduced \$397,484 and totaling \$10,606,466. In addition to this correction, there was also a staff reduction of four positions recently further reducing total costs, including the enterprise fund by approximately \$180,000.

Following further discussion Trustee Crosby moved, seconded by Trustee Pierce to adopt the amended fiscal year May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010 operating budget as presented and recommended by the Village Administrator. Upon roll call, the vote was: YES: 6: Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak. NO: 0.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

4. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Title 13 of the Antioch Village Code Authorizing the Institution and Charge of Outside Party Consulting Fees Amending the Review and Inspection Fee Structure – Director of Planning, Zoning and Building Nilsen explained the current code allows for third party inspections on structures in excess of 90,000 square feet. The amendment would allow the Village to collect escrow funds to cover smaller projects. He said that due to the recent reduction in building department staff, it would be appropriate to use a third party inspection when necessary. Director Nilsen also discussed the current practice for collecting the escrow fees is at permit issuance. He proposes to amend the ordinance so that 50% of the estimated fees are collected at the time of permit submission and remainder plus any adjustments be submitted at the time of permit issuance.

Trustee Sakas moved, seconded by Trustee Crosby to accept the first reading of the ordinance. The ordinance will be placed on the November 16, 2009 meeting agenda for consideration. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak. NO: 0. THE MOTION CARRIED.

5. Consideration of a Resolution Accepting the Bids Received and Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of a 2010 Ford F-350 with Accessories Per Specifications to the Responsible Low Bidder, Sutton Ford of Matteson, Illinois and in the Amount of \$59,725.00 – Public Works Director Liveris reviewed the seven bids that were received on September 28, 2009 and explained the vehicle would be used by the water and sewer department. He discussed current safety and manpower concerns due to the having to send out a backhoe and two teams of staff to work on lift stations. This vehicle would replace a 1994 vehicle and has been in the water and sewer department budget over the last nine years.

Trustee Wolczyz moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak to approve **Resolution No. 09-99** accepting the bids received and awarding the bid for the purchase of a 2010 Ford F-350 Chassis and Reading Classic II Service Body with accessories per specifications to the responsible low bidder, Sutton Ford of Matteson, Illinois and in the amount of \$59,725.00. Upon roll call, the vote was: **YES: 6:** Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak.

NO: 0.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

6. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Article 4, Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code of Antioch Adopting a New Liquor Control Code – Mayor Hanson said this has been in the works for a few months now and the Board held several meetings reviewing the proposed amendments. He said, because of this major rewrite of the entire ordinance, license holders were also notified of these meetings so they could participate by submitting their comments or questions. Mayor Hanson said that he realized that the amendment would not make everyone happy but felt the Board and staff did the best they could to amend the code and address all items previously discussed.

Trustee Crosby moved, seconded by Trustee Wolczyz accept the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 4, Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code of Antioch Adopting a New Liquor Control Code.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Adam Kosh, Antioch Fine Liquors, discussed the proposed amendment to the Antioch Municipal Liquor Code. He said that he met with several of the license holders and they are concerned with the proposed fees and presented the Board with a survey that he conducted of nearby communities. He said his list of communities was a more complete list of comparables and more demographically suited to Antioch than the survey presented to Board at previous meetings. He asked the Board consider his survey when approving the amendment. Mayor Hanson said that we have spent a lot of time on the amendment and he hoped that concerns regarding fees were brought up sooner.

Mr. Kosh discussed his concerns regarding duel licenses, required Bassett training and questioned a section of the code where he thought he would not be able to employ stock help under the age of twenty-one. Attorney Long explained the section of the code to Mr. Kosh and indicated that it did not refer to stock help. Mr. Kosh also would like to have the same opportunity to sell wine by the glass just as the business that is expected to open soon downtown.

Al Anderson, Lotus Avenue resident, questioned the section of the code referring to outside music. He said the band shell has concerts every Thursday in the summer and the way he reads the proposed ordinance, there can't be outdoor music if it can be heard 100' from the property line. Trustee Crosby said the band shell is typically done at 9:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; he asked if there was a potential for music playing until 2:00 a.m. Trustee Crosby said that the amendment intent was to not be disturbing to people in the area, especially late at night. Mr. Anderson said that he understood the intent, but the code states it's not allowed and he discussed his annual food drive event where the police closed it down at 8:30 p.m. because it disturbed someone. Attorney Long said he should have a special event

permit for that event. Mr. Anderson said that he did have a permit, but didn't know who to call after business hours. Mayor Hanson said that he didn't hear about that incident and Mr. Anderson responded that he discussed it with the police chief. Mr. Anderson also discussed the complaint section and felt the Board is opening themselves up to too many problems in the future. Trustee Sakas explained that any person could file a complaint and it's up to the liquor commissioner decide if the complaint is frivolous or if demands further investigation. Attorney Long said there's actually a provision in the State Code to file a complaint and initiate actions that require people to come in and respond. Mr. Anderson said that he felt it drew undue attention to it. Trustee Poulos said that he felt that section of the ordinance restricted it more and feels that it offers more protection from anonymous complaints. Mr. Anderson said that he understood what the Board's intent with that section of the ordinance. Trustee Crosby briefly discussed a special event permit and the process that should be in place. Mr. Anderson said that he's held numerous events with bands that usually shut down around 10:30 p.m.; there was only the one instance where he was shut down at 8:30 p.m. He asked if the hours be defined on the special event permits.

Attorney Long discussed the duel license issue raised by Mr. Kosh earlier in the meeting. Mr. Long said that under the existing code, anyone who owns a bar license can actually sell packaged goods. He said this was pointed out to him that it was missed in the last revision which is why it found its way into the amendment late. He said that code allows both package and the addition of the E-1 class, is not just for one particular license; it's for everyone who holds a class E as well as the wine bar. Mr. Kosh said that everything he's heard about this establishment is that it is predominately selling off-premise and incidental sales deriving from selling wine by glass and he would like the same opportunity.

Linda Kosh, Antioch Fine Liquors, said that she has been to a couple of meetings and there's no question that this Board wants to be business friendly. She said that her son, Adam Kosh worked hard on the survey that he presented to the Board this evening and that it amazed her that Board members did not know that none of the surrounding areas were included in their information packet. Mayor Hanson explained that staff received the fee structure information from the Northwest Municipal Conference and that staff reached out to other communities who may not have responded. He said the motion on the ordinance is to accept the first reading and it would be placed on the next meeting agenda for consideration and there was still some time to make any modifications.

Trustee Crosby said that his comment is made with great respect to everyone present, and he mentioned the next agenda items which are the proposed utility tax ordinances. He said these ordinances may be every bit as burdensome to residents as the liquor code amendments are to business owners. He said the Board has to try to figure out how to accommodate everyone and he appreciated the fact that Mr. Kosh did an additional study of towns that don't have the fee structure that we do. He said that he didn't have the report in front of him, but he recalled making the comment that it's probably just as well we weren't going with what the survey said because it would be a lot more. He said that he believed there was some reasonable approach to the proposed fee structure.

Trustee Pierce said that it's been his point of contention all along that we needed to work on the rules and update and a lot of the items in the proposed ordinance needed to be done. He said that he is looking at the businesses here and regarding the fees, the businesses are affected by many issues such as the current economy, non-smoking regulations, video gaming proposal and the state increasing their taxes. He said that the Board should approve the regulations and not the increase the fees until the economy picks up.

Mayor Hanson asked Administrator Keim if the new fee structures are included in the revised budget. Administrator Keim said the revenues were based on the current fee structure. Mayor Hanson said there may be a possibility that we would be able to live with some form of the old fee structure. The ordinance will be placed on the November 16 meeting agenda for consideration.

Brian Bezak, Mexican Paradise Restaurant, said that he believed every business in Antioch is down and that he was down about 20% from last year. He said that an additional \$250 fee on top of his State Liquor License fees would be hard on his business and increase fees, including the proposed utility taxes may make it hard for the small business to survive. He said that he takes care of the property around his business and he tries to his part. He said they could do their part, but they need the Village to help. Mayor Hanson said that he believed the Village is helping. Mr. Bezak said that he believed everyone could live with the guidelines; it's just all the increases getting put on at one time.

Trustee Crosby said there are a lot of regulations in the ordinance that needs to be enacted. He said maybe the solution would be, if there are not new classifications, to leave the rates the alone for one year and start them in a year from now, but at the same time he didn't want to build special deals for special businesses because we would be setting up precedence that would be hard to deal with in the future. Trustee Crosby said that some time in the future, we need to try to get somewhere in line with what the cities around are doing.

Mayor Hanson suggested that we come back with some fee structure options.

Roll Call Vote - There being no further discussion and upon roll call, the vote was: **YES: 6:** Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak. **NO: 0.**

THE MOTION CARRIED.

7. Consideration of an Ordinance of an Ordinance Amending the Antioch Municipal Code by the Addition of Chapter 2 Article 3 Imposing a Simplified Municipal Telecommunications Tax – Mayor Hanson said the Board discussed municipal tax ordinances at several meetings and he asked Board members to discuss any revenue ideas they may have so the Board would not have to impose the municipal tax.

Trustee Pierce said that he would like to set up a meeting with the Village of Grayslake to discuss how they run their finances, because it's his understanding they are one of the few Villages in the county that are running in the black. Attorney Long said Grayslake gets substantial revenue from the landfill. Mayor Hanson asked Trustee Pierce if there was anything he felt the Board hasn't done from the previous exercises two years ago. Trustee Pierce said that he read recently, that a community near here privatized their public works force. He said that he is not suggesting we do that; he is suggesting that we talk to nearby communities and partnering with them and share services. Mayor Hanson said that he spoke with a few Mayors from nearby communities and he felt that he didn't get too far with the idea of partnering with them for some of the services. He said we could try meeting with them again, but felt it may not address our immediate problem.

Trustee Poulos said that staff did a good job of going through the exercise two or three times now and with the latest revision. He said that as he stated at the last meeting, he felt that staff should remain committed to control spending and he said that he didn't see a way around this without starting to affect the services that we provide. Trustee Poulos said that we recently reduced staff and it would be a burden on those who would have to pick up the workload but not something that would be a tremendous burden of the people. He said that if we start making any more cuts, then services would start to be cut and the people of the Village would be affected and he doesn't want it to get to that. Trustee Poulos said that he thought the municipal tax is something that we need to do.

Trustee Sakas said that he believed we covered everything at the committee meeting and that he agreed with Trustee Poulos.

Trustee Crosby discussed when he was first elected, two days into his tenure he was being lobbied to implement a utility tax and he said absolutely not because he didn't believe it was a good idea to have taxpayers subsidize inefficiency within an organizational structure. He said that he believed at that time, we were not running as efficiently and effectively as we could. Trustee Crosby said that if he agreed to impose a utility tax at that time, changes that needed to be made would not have happened. He said the timing is terrible, but if it weren't for the terrible timing, we wouldn't need to do this. He said this is the perfect storm that is coming at us from all direction. He said that people are having a hard time paying their bills and we're having a hard time accumulating the money we need to perform the basic services that our residents need. Trustee Crosby said that from his perspective, he doesn't see any other choice and that we're going to have to do this simply from the standpoint that we have made quantum leaps over the past few years in the management structure, productivity and accountability. He said that we have made this place much more efficient, including staff cuts, changes in the way we do business, increase productivity and greater accountability and that we continue to need to do. Trustee Crosby said that we have gone far enough that he cannot withhold his vote, because he believed we have cleaned up our house and at the same time, he doesn't disagree with Trustee Pierce and that we should continue to look for inefficiencies, cost savings and find better ways of doing things to save money. Trustee Crosby said, if approved, he doesn't want to see any funds collected to go into anything other than the most essential activities. He discussed concerns that he had when spending increases to meet the available cash and suggested that one half of the funds collected should be put into our reserve fund not to be touched. He also said that it would be irresponsible of the Board to allow this shortfall to continue and to turn around and start wasting it. Trustee Crosby said the remaining amount should be entitled to spend time discussing any expenditures that staff feels need to be made. Trustee Crosby discussed an email that he and Board members recently received regarding senior citizens and asked that we look into a providing an abatement program to seniors who qualify. He would also like the municipal tax ordinances to expire on a certain date in the future requiring future Boards to review the need and to reaffirm the ordinances annually.

Trustee Wolczyz said that he agreed with Trustee Crosby's comments regarding efficiency improvements that have occurred in the Village. He said his goal was to not put anyone else in this position in the future and not having a reserve. He said that we need to have something in the bank to buffer the taxpayers from these times. We know that we have fluctuating income and if we can put some money in the bank for reserves to maintain those services on a daily basis. Trustee Wolczyz also discussed some municipalities in southern Illinois who have 25% plus reserves who are going through similar exercises to maintain a million dollar fund balance. He said to be in that position, it took decades of professional management, oversight, forethought and policies. Trustee Wolczyz discussed a policy

where most of the funds would be placed in reserves, retire current debt and get us back in a position that the taxpayers would not be burdened.

Trustee Jozwiak responded to Trustee Pierce regarding the Village of Grayslake's privatization programs and outsourcing and he talked to a lot of people in that area. He had a contact to arrange a meeting with the administrator if desired. Trustee Jozwiak said this Board would be irresponsible if they didn't stop what is going on; he doesn't know or cares how far back this situation goes. He said the Village doesn't have any reserve funds and it's like running a household without any money; this Board needs to put something in place and make sure that it can't be changed so we don't get put in this position again. He said there is a finance committee meeting on Friday, November 6. Trustee Jozwiak also said the information regarding these funds will be transparent and online. He said that staff has done a great job at reducing expenditures; the Board knows where every dime is going and not wasted. He said going forward we will be in a good position after we get over this hurdle.

Mayor Hanson said this isn't a new concept for this community and in fact is a sore subject to some degree. He said the proposal to impose a utility tax has been before the Board in 2007 and 2008 and at that time, three Board members did not approve it. He said that after reading through past transcripts, he believed staff addressed every question the Board had at the time. He said Board members at that time wanted to make sure that everything else possible was done before considering imposing a utility tax. Mayor Hanson discussed how staff has stretched the use of the vehicles to almost a point of embarrassment. He also discussed the importance of a thriving community to attract the right industry and businesses and how this community has heart. He said that we would be irresponsible as a Board if we do not at least protect the future of the village. He said that he's happy that staff has gone through the exercise twice and that he appreciates everyone efforts.

Administrator Keim reviewed prior discussions where the suggestion to impose a utility tax and he said that essentially the same question has been asked the last few budgeting seasons; are we going to be budgeting with or without a utility tax. He said the exercise that he completed today was to make sure that all the questions brought up by this and previous Boards were answered. He discussed various critical circumstances that could occur and if any of these would happen, it would be difficult to address without fund reserves. Administrator Keim also discussed the current economy and prior revenue streams such as building permits is over \$1,000,000 short than previous years. He briefly reviewed the distributed FY Ending April 30, 2009 Audit that showed fund balances for the years 2000 -2009 and the number of staff changes during these years. Regarding privatization, Administrator Keim discussed the level of service and said there are some municipalities, such as Village of Grayslake, who are bringing services back in house. Mr. Keim also cautioned the Board regarding abatement and suggested they legislate across the Board and look at individual circumstances as warranted. Mayor Hanson discussed that the finance committee could look at ways to possibly ear-mark some of the funds to help with utility assistance through the Antioch Township office. Administrator Keim said that he would be in favor of an expiration date after certain items are completed, such as: establish a reserve, our infrastructure be addressed, equipment and fleet in decent shape, capital plan funding and the village financial condition with efficient operation, is stable.

Trustee Pierce said that he was not suggesting that we privatize our public works force. He asked about the time frame before the Village would see the revenue from these ordinances. Administrator Keim said that largest portion, telecommunications tax, can only be implemented two times a year and we're projecting July 2010. He said the natural gas and electric utility ordinances would be about three months. Trustee Pierce said if approved, this would not save us this year. Administrator Keim responded that it would not affect this budget. Trustee Pierce asked how much revenue staff anticipates and what the impact would be on business bill. Administrator Keim said that it would be in excess of \$1,000,000 and the average commercial account would be approximately \$47.00 per month. Trustee Pierce said that he wanted to remind everyone on the Board that people in our community have also been impacted by the current economic conditions impacted and putting another tax will put them in a bind and we're hitting their household reserves.

Mayor Hanson said that he asked for alternative ideas and solutions and that it would be irresponsible of the Board to take away services. He said that he felt the same apprehension two years ago, but believed that staff and the Village have gone through the exercise to make sure that everything possible was done before imposing a utility tax. He also discussed a recent meeting with the Antioch Senior Board who said they would loan the Village funds if the utility tax ordinances were approved.

Trustee Crosby asked about the manpower savings the Village had due to the staff cuts over the last two years. Administrator Keim said it's approximately \$850,000 to \$1,000,000. Trustee Crosby said that he felt bad that the Board has to implement a utility tax now during these economic times, but the Board has tried for a long time to continue services and he would feel a lot worse if we had a calamity and this town would have to declare bankruptcy. He also discussed the importance of the Village's credit rating and the overall cost to the Village due to the downgraded rating.

Trustee Jozwiak said he would like to hear some of Trustee Pierce's ideas other than imposing a utility tax to address the financial situation and the impact cut services and events would have on the business and residential communities. Trustee Pierce said that we should stop spending and turn down the truck voted on tonight, even though it's needed, put a cap in place and take care of business. He said that he didn't believe an additional tax would fix the problem.

Trustee Poulos said this would help the Village to establish a reserve, pay back existing debt, have preventative maintenance plan and if this is in place over a 7-10 year period, it would allow us to fix some things that haven't been done in the past.

Following further discussion, Trustee Jozwiak moved, seconded by Trustee Sakas to approve the first reading of an Ordinance Amending the Antioch Municipal Code by the Addition of Chapter 2 to Article 3 Imposing a Simplified Municipal Telecommunications Tax. Upon roll call, the vote was: YES: 6: Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz, Jozwiak and Mayor Hanson. NO: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Hanson wanted the record to show that he supports the majority of the Board.

8. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Article 3 of the Antioch Municipal Code by the Addition of Chapter 3 which Imposes a Municipal Natural Gas Tax - Trustee Jozwiak moved, seconded by Trustee Crosby to approve the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 3 of the Antioch Municipal Code by the Addition of Chapter 3 which imposes a Municipal Natural Gas Tax. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz, Jozwiak and Mayor Hanson.

NO: 1: Pierce. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Hanson wanted the record to show that he supports the majority of the Board.

9. Consideration of an Ordinance of an Ordinance Amending Article 3 of the Antioch Municipal Code by the Addition of Chapter 4 Which Shall Impose a Municipal Electricity Tax -Trustee Jozwiak moved, seconded by Trustee Poulos to approve the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Article 3 of the Antioch Municipal Code by the Addition of Chapter 4 which shall impose a Municipal Electricity Tax. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz, Jozwiak and Mayor Hanson.

NO: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Hanson wanted the record to show that he supports the majority of the Board.

10. Consideration of a Request for a Subdivision Plat Amendment within Phase 1 of the Antioch Corporate Center (PUD) and the Approval of a Special Use for an Outdoor Proving Grounds in an M-1 (PUD) Zone, pursuant to Section 11-2-6 and 10-14-5 of the Village Code – Community Development Director Nilsen said this is request on behalf of IDI to accommodate Parker Hannifin Technology Center within Phase 1 of the Antioch Corporate Center. This amendment creates a single lot line creating a 14-acre lot with a subsequent request to 10-14-5 for a special use for the outdoor proving grounds and approved by the Planning and Zoning Board.

Trustee Crosby said that staff, especially Director Nilsen deserves an enormous amount of praise regarding this project.

Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak to waive second reading and approve Ordinance No. 09-11-30, Granting a Special Use Approval for a Outdoor Proving Ground Facility within the Antioch Corporate Center Planned Unit Development on the Petition of Industrial Developments International (PZB 09-04) and to waive second reading and approve Ordinance No. 09-11-31, An Ordinance Approving Final Plat of Re-Subdivision for Antioch Corporate Center, on the Application of Industrial Developments International (PZB09-04). Upon roll call, the vote was: YES: 6: Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz, and Jozwiak.

NO: 0.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

11. Consideration of a Resolution Approving the Tag Day Request from You Can Make It, Inc.; November 19-21, 2009 - Trustee Crosby moved, seconded by Trustee Sakas to deny the request from You Can Make It, Inc. to conduct their tag day fundraising event on November 19-21, 2009. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz, and Jozwiak.

NO: 0. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Jozwiak said that he would like the Village to issue organizations who conduct tag days a permit once their event is approved by the Village.

VIII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Keim said that the Board needs to go into executive session for pending litigation with no action expected.

XIV. VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

No report.

XV. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Wolczyz reported on various projects from the public works department: Hillside Bridge was open to traffic on Friday, October 30 and parkway restoration is scheduled to be finished this week; the bike and walking path was repaired at Sprenger Park; Village street lights continue to be repaired by public works staff and street lights belonging to ComEd are being reported; the street sweeper was repaired and framing on the WWTP was recently completed.

Trustee Crosby said that his monthly with Police Chief Foerster is on Thursday and discussed the presentation to parents and students about drug issues on November 17th at the Antioch High School. He said a public safety committee meeting with the Fire District Board is scheduled on November 3, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. to discuss the Fire Chief's recent retirement announcement. He said that a meeting with the Fire District and Antioch Rescue Squad will be scheduled at some time in the future.

Trustee Sakas said the Senate approved HB 1306 which allows establishments to conduct video gaming to continue for up to two years after a municipality prohibits it. He said that SB 1894 was approved regarding foreclosed properties and notification to municipalities. Trustee Sakas also had more contact with Melissa Bean's staff regarding weekend service on the North Central line.

Trustee Pierce said that he will not be at the November 16 meeting because he will be out of town on business. He also thanked the police department for their assistance with the Oakwood Knolls Halloween parade.

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Wolczyz for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation at 9:46 p.m. Upon roll call, the vote was: **YES: 6:** Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak.

NO: 0. THE MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee Wolczyz moved, seconded by Trustee Sakas for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to return from executive session to the open meeting at 9:59 p.m. with **no action taken.** Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 6: Pierce, Poulos, Sakas, Crosby, Wolczyz and Jozwiak.

NO: 0.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Trustee Crosby moved, seconded by Trustee Poulos to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 10:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candi L. Rowe, RMC/CMC Village Clerk