

APPROVED MINUTES

**VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES, REGULAR MEETING
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL
October 5, 2015**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the October 5, 2015 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 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: Macek, Poulos, Jozwiak, Pierce and Johnson. Also present were Mayor Hanson, Attorney Long, Administrator Keim and Clerk Folbrick. Absent: Trustee Dominiak.

IV. Absent Trustees Wishing to Attend Remotely

There were no trustees wishing to attend remotely.

V. MAYORAL REPORT

1. Proclamation – Fire Prevention Week – Clerk Folbrick read aloud the proclamation declaring October 4-10, 2015 as Fire Prevention week in the Village of Antioch.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

Ms. Cathy Bonser, Village resident, shared information regarding smart meters to be installed by ComEd, and expressed concerns with cost, privacy, security, health & safety. She distributed materials regarding smart meters. She said she does not need or want to pay for the smart meter service, and could not find an opt-out clause for the meters. She asked the board to consider the information provided and to place this topic on a future agenda for discussion to consider an ordinance for an opt-out option.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Approval of the September 21, 2015 regular meeting minutes as presented.
2. Approval of a Resolution ratifying a raffle license for St. Peter School; with the drawings held on September 26 and October 5, 2015, waiving all fees – *Resolution no. 15-77*
3. Approval of a Resolution authorizing a raffle license for Gary's Journey; drawing to be held October 24, 2015, waiving all fees - *Resolution No. 15-78*
4. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the closure of Route 83 (Main Street) for the Annual Christmas Parade on Friday, November 27, 2015 at 6:30 pm – *Resolution No. 15-79*
5. Pine Hill Lake HOA Registration

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Macek, Poulos, Jozwiak, Pierce and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Dominiak.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

REGULAR BUSINESS

6. Consideration of payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff –

Trustee Poulos moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak, to approve payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of \$319,301.55. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Macek, Poulos, Jozwiak, Pierce and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Dominiak.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

7. Hillside/Harden Traffic Study – Mayor Hanson introduced Mr. Tim Hartnett to share his findings for the traffic study done at Hillside and Harden. Mr. Hartnett provided an update, and shared reports from law enforcement for speed enforcement and crash data. He recommended striping on the road, as well as a 3-way stop sign at Hillside by the cemetery as traffic calming techniques. He looked at costs for striping ranging from \$12,000-14,000 for thermal, and \$8,000-10,000 for paint that will require maintenance. Mr. Hartnett also discussed the possibility of installation of speed check LED signs that flash & are solar powered as an

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additional measure. They cost approximately \$9,500 each. Long range goals for traffic calming in that area could include an improved entrance to Route 59 from Bayshore Drive.

Mr. Hartnett also reported that they did counting on Depot Street since the bike lane and rumble strip was installed. He reported on traffic counts and peak hours and stated that over 75% of that traffic stays under 8mph over the speed limit on that roadway.

Trustee Jozwiak expressed concern that striping is not a long term solution. Chief Huffman said that directed enforcement could be done if striping becomes ineffective. Trustee Jozwiak agrees that the stop sign is a good idea. Mr. Hartnett said they will propose a traffic calming ordinance for future consideration.

Trustee Pierce discussed overall costs and asked to see costs for speed, and to study other neighborhoods as well. Mr. Hartnett replied that one seasonal speed hump is approximately \$7,500. A speed table costs approximately \$7,000-8,000 each and requires specific signage and striping packages to warn drivers. Mr. Hartnett repeated their recommendation for striping and signage in this specific area. He added that speed humps and tables are not preferred by public safety and public works employees. Administrator Keim addressed the use of speed humps and tables, stating that they can be manageable by staff, but thinks they will ultimately cause a nuisance.

Trustee Macek discussed a grant program for traffic calming techniques. He expressed concern with speeding traffic on Route 59. Administrator Keim asked to have time to research the grant, but warned that some businesses use the term 'grant' to solicit business. Mr. Hartnett added that they research all grant opportunities when making their recommendation, and is unaware of any grants available other than in school zones.

Trustee Poulos commented on current traffic enforcement and residents who will slow down when they are aware of a police presence. He said he is against speed bumps, speed tables, or similar traffic calming techniques. He agreed with striping and patrol and to go with the recommendation from the consulting engineer. Mr. Hartnett stated that restricting traffic during certain hours is difficult and requires coordination with IDOT. Trustee Poulos asked Chief Huffman to report on how many of the traffic tickets were issued to local residents in the area.

Trustee Pierce stated that his goal is to slow traffic on certain troubled roads. Administrator Keim indicated that public works is not okay with speed tables. Attorney Long added that there is no provision in the code for stop signs at Hillside and Harden except east on Hillside, and moving forward with that recommendation would require an ordinance amendment. Those present agreed to an ordinance amendment allowing for a 3-way stop sign at that intersection.

Mr. Hartnett said that speed tables will not reduce speeding off of Route 59 because the tables will not be in that location. He did not see a tremendous amount of traffic on that road, and thinks that striping and stop signs will be effective. Trustee Johnson agrees to go with staff's recommendation, but is concerned that striping may be a temporary solution. Trustee Poulos reminded the board that the traffic calming on Depot that was effective as reported earlier in the discussion.

Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak, to direct the attorney to draft ordinance changes for stop signs at Hillside and Harden, direct staff to stripe at low cost efforts, draft a policy for every neighborhood to have traffic calming techniques, and direct staff and the engineering consultant to prepare a plan for the affected area in the spring for traffic or speed tables.

It was clarified that there will be another opportunity to vote on the plan for speed tables in the spring. Mr. Hartnett repeated the plan with a timeline to stripe the area this fall, draft a policy in the winter, and come back in the spring with a cost, budget quote and plan for speed tables.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Macek, Poulos, Jozwiak, Pierce and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Dominiak.

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8. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 6-4 of the Municipal Code of Antioch providing an exemption to liability to the ordinances prohibiting ownership or maintenance of nuisance properties - Trustee Jozwiak moved, seconded by Trustee Pierce,

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to approve **Ordinance No. 15-10-11** Amending Chapter 6-4 of the Municipal Code of Antioch providing an exemption to liability to the ordinances prohibiting ownership or maintenance of nuisance properties, waiving the second reading.

Attorney Long addressed a typo that should say 6-4-2 instead of 6-4. He provided an explanation of the item, and the ordinance that has been in place for the last 4 years which has helped in reducing incidents of crime and gang activity. He discussed state legislation which goes into effect next month, and the proposed ordinance includes those requirements approved by the state.

Trustee Macek asked if this applies to public housing. Attorney Long replied that certain public housing rules would trump this ordinance.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Macek, Poulos, Jozwiak, Pierce and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Dominiak.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

9. Consideration of a Resolution Revising the Structure of the Joint Public Safety Committee and Renaming it the Joint Fire Committee – Administrator Keim reviewed the item and the intent to continue the work of the committee under a new name and with a more specific scope. The Committee will discuss of policy, capital, budgets, and things that could affect the operations of the fire department and make recommendations to their respective boards.

Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Johnson, to approve **Resolution No. 15-80** Revising the Structure of the Joint Public Safety Committee and Renaming it the Joint Fire Committee. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Macek, Poulos, Jozwiak, Pierce and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Dominiak.

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VII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Keim reported that they have received 9 applications for the Community Development Director position, and he will begin interviews and make a recommendation soon. He reported that there is an interest in development, and investment in the community. He reported that St. Ignatius has submitted a formal proposal for a special use text amendment and applied for a shed permit. Trustee Jozwiak asked about a vehicle for the police chief. Administrator Keim replied that a memo will be presented at the Committee of the Whole for a chief's vehicle.

VIII. VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

No report.

IX. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Macek reported that the Environmental Commission had a meeting, and letters will be sent to the mayor proposing a structure change for the committee and a new chair.

Trustee Jozwiak commended public works for their prompt work on action items. He asked to discuss police pension at the Committee of the Whole for funding requirements. Administrator Keim said funding needs to be done by 2040. Attorney Long said he has not heard of a change, but will look into it. Administrator Keim asked that Trustee Jozwiak forward the information he received.

Trustee Pierce discussed an emergency response that may have been affected by a train blocking the tracks; however, Police, Fire and EMS were already on scene, and were able to wait for the ambulance to arrive after the train passed. He complimented the fire department. He reminded everyone that Sequoit Pride is operating a 5k fundraiser on Oct 18. He discussed the recent salary range approval, and asked the Board to consider a mid-year adjustment for the employees who did not receive a raise.

Mr. Bill Waschow, Antioch resident, asked if there was any benchmarking done against federal employees. Administrator Keim replied that the comparisons were made against other municipalities of their size. Administrator Keim explained the process for determining salary ranges to include location, wealth, population and budgets, and agreed to by the Village Board.

Trustee Johnson announced that the last Farmers Market is this Thursday.

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X. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel, Pending/Probable Litigation, Sale or Lease of Village Property, Executive Session Minutes, Collective Bargaining - Personnel

Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak, for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to go into executive session at 9:19 p.m. to discuss Personnel. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Macek, Poulos, Jozwiak, Pierce and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Dominiak.

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Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak for the Mayor and Board of Trustees to return from executive session to the open meeting at 9:22 pm with **no action taken**. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Macek, Poulos, Jozwiak, Pierce and Johnson.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Dominiak.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, Trustee Pierce moved, seconded by Trustee Jozwiak to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Folbrick
Village Clerk