



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF
ALGONQUIN, McHENRY & KANE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS HELD IN THE VILLAGE
BOARD ROOM ON JANUARY 6, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: President Schmitt tonight's meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Village Clerk Jerry Kautz called the roll with Trustees Debby Sosine, Brian Dianis, Jerrold Glogowski, Jim Steigert, Robert Smith, John Spella. A quorum was established. Staff in attendance: Tim Schloneger, Village Manager; Russ Farnum, Community Development Director; Bob Mitchard, Public Works Director; and John Bucci, Police Chief. Attorney Kelly Cahill was also present.

PLEDGE TO FLAG: Clerk Kautz led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA: Moved by Smith, seconded by Glogowski, to adopt tonight's agenda, including Item 16, Executive Session, to discuss a personnel matter. Voice vote: ayes carried.

ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE: Village Clerk Kautz administered the Oaths of Office to Andrew Doles as a Deputy Chief of Police for the Village of Algonquin and to new Police Officer Amanda Olsta.

CONSENT AGENDA: The following items are considered routine in nature and are approved/accepted by one motion with a voice vote:

A. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES:

(1) Village Board Meeting Held December 16, 2014

Moved by Spella, seconded by Sosine, to approve the Consent Agenda of January 6, 2015. Voice vote: ayes carried.

OMNIBUS AGENDA: None

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Moved by Dianis, seconded by Glogowski, to approve the List of Bills for payment for 01/06/2015 and payroll expenses for 12/31/2014 totaling \$1,607,092.97 as recommended for approval. Roll call vote: voting aye – Sosine, Dianis, Glogowski, Steigert, Smith, Spella. Motion carried: 6-ayes, 0-nays.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General	\$226,261.48
MFT	127,491.57
Swimming Pool	164.74
Street Improvement	376,193.91
Water & Sewer	78,625.46
Water & Sewer Improve	116,450.22
Building Maintenance	56,814.88
Vehicle Maintenance Service	<u>35,779.18</u>
Total 1,017,781.44	

COMMITTEE & CLERK'S REPORTS:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE None

VILLAGE CLERK ~ No Report

STAFF REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION ~ No Report

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ~ No Report

PUBLIC WORKS ~ No Report

POLICE DEPARTMENT ~ Chief Bucci reported the following

1- Two new officers are entering the Police Academy. 2- Two officers represented Algonquin at the funeral of the slain officers in New York City.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY ~ Ms. Cahill reported the following

1- Her staff has been working on liquor and public works issues.

CORRESPONDENCE & MISCELLANEOUS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

RECESS IN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Smith, seconded by Dianis, to recess into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter at 7:40 pm. Roll call vote: voting aye – Sosine, Dianis, Glogowski, Steigert, Smith, Spella. Motion carried: 6-ayes, 0-nays.

RECONVENE & REPORT: Moved by Smith, seconded by Glogowski, to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:52 pm. Roll call vote: voting aye – Sosine, Dianis, Glogowski, Steigert, Smith, Spella. Motion carried: 6-ayes, 0-nays.

There is nothing to report from the Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The Village is objecting to a McHenry County zoning request for a Conditional Use Permit to construct a digital off-premises commercial advertising sign (billboard) at the northeast corner of Route 31 and Oakwood Court (County Petition # 2014043). Within the county's new Unified Development Ordinance, digital billboards are allowed as a conditional use (which is the same as a special use permit). In general, billboards create issues of blight, reduced property values, reduced motorist safety, light pollution, and disregard for neighboring properties and uses. This has been proven in several studies that demonstrate both reduced property values in areas that have billboards and increased issues of distraction that reduce traffic safety. Digital billboards create additional concerns with brightness levels and the added distraction of changing displays and possible animation (although county regulations require the display to remain stationary for ten seconds and animation is prohibited).

Moved by Steigert, seconded by Glogowski, to adopt Resolution 2015-R-01, Objecting to a Request for a Conditional Use Permit for a Digital Off Premise Commercial Advertising Sign (McHenry County Case #2014-043) Voice vote: ayes carried.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, it was moved by Spella, seconded by Sosine, to adjourn. Voice vote: ayes carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Submitted:

Approved this 20th day of January 2015

Village Clerk Jerry Kautz

Village President John Schmitt