

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF  
GLENWOOD, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2012

The November 13, 2012 Special Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Kerry Durkin who led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**UPON ROLL CALL:** By Clerk Ernestine Dobbins, the following Trustees responded: Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Patrick McAneney, Public Works; JoAnne Alexander, Senior/Park Programs; Donna M. Gayden, Village Administrator; Toleda Hart, Village Treasurer; John Donahue, Village Attorney.

**OPEN TO PUBLIC:** No one approached the Board regarding agenda items.

**VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:** 1) **Approval of the new proposed Property/Casualty, Workers Compensation Insurance Rates of \$568,676 from Marks & Company for the period of December 1, 2012 thru November 30, 2013.**

**Trustee Campbell:** Moved; **Second by Trustee Plott** to accept the Motion as presented.

**Discussion:** The representative from Marks & Company reviewed and explained the quote summary for new proposed Insurance Rates: He stated that there is a reduction in cost for Workers Compensation but an increase in Casualty.

**Upon Roll Call:** Ayes: 4 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 2  
Abstain: 0

**Ayes:** Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott

**Naes:** 0

**Recues:** 0

**Absent:** Trustee Freeman, Trustee Thomas

**Abstain:** 0

**Motion Approved:** Yes

2) **Approval of a Resolution for the Commitment for Matching Funds (EDA) Public Works Program.**

**Trustee Nielsen:** Moved; **Second by Trustee Campbell** to accept the Motion as presented.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 2  
Abstain: 0**

**Ayes: Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott**

**Naes: 0**

**Recues: 0**

**Absent: Trustee Freeman, Trustee Thomas**

**Abstain: 0**

**Motion Approved: Yes**

**3) Approval of a request for Executive Closed Session under Section 2(c) 11 Probable Imminent Litigation and Section 2(c) 5 Real Estate with action to be taken and reason to reconvene.**

**Trustee Plott: Moved; Second by Trustee Hopkins to accept the Motion as presented.**

**Discussion: No discussion.**

**Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 2  
Abstain: 0**

**Ayes: Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott**

**Naes: 0**

**Recues: 0**

**Absent: Trustee Freeman, Trustee Thomas**

**Abstain: 0**

**Motion Approved: Yes**

**4) The Mayor of the City of Chicago Heights, Dave Gonzalez spoke regarding Lake Michigan Water Rates and negotiations with the City of Hammond, Indiana regarding water rates; Each Board member received a summary outlining the estimated water increase for Chicago Heights, Ford Heights, Glenwood, South Chicago Heights and Thornton; Mr. Gonzalez stated that a lawsuit has been filed in the Federal Courts and with the Regulatory Commission stating that rates should be tied with the City of Hammond and not to the City of Chicago; the Federal Court legal fees are being paid by Chicago Heights; Possible 88% increase; Rates are to be reasonable; Lansing is getting water from Hammond for \$1.10 yet wants to charge Glenwood, Thornton and Chicago Heights to \$2.20; Mr. Gonzalez stated that Chicago Heights is the #1 customer to the City of Hammond and in 30 years Chicago Heights has not missed a payment; stated that the Hammond change is based on the market and missing**

revenue from casinos; this rate increase will cause Illinois businesses to move to Indiana; the Regulatory Commission will hear the case next week; new water rates will be effective December, 2012. Questions were asked by: **Trustee Campbell** (regarding the Operation and Maintenance Costs); **Trustee Hopkins** (regarding contract between Lansing and Hammond Water Works and stated that Water Works is not supposed to make profit because it is a Federally regulated company); **Trustee Plott** (regarding the long term of contracts); it was stated that contracts can be reviewed every 2 years; **Mayor Durkin** stated that the Board must be ready to make a decision and set new rates and increase to \$1.63 next month **Mayor Durkin** also stated that the Board should decide whether or not to establish a committee; **Trustee Hopkins** stated that there should be a committee with community involvement. It was decided that any further discussion would be done in the already approved Executive Closed Session.

**ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE CLOSED  
SESSION:**

**Motion to adjourn to Executive Closed Session at 7:50 PM.**

**Trustee Campbell:** Moved; **Second by Trustee Plott** to accept the Motion as presented.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Upon Roll Call:** Ayes: 4 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 2  
Abstain: 0

**Ayes:** Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott

**Naes:** 0

**Recues:** 0

**Absent:** Trustee Freeman, Trustee Thomas

**Abstain:** 0

**Motion Approved:** Ye

**RECONVENE FROM CLOSED  
SESSION:**

**1) Motion to reconvene from Executive Closed Session at 9:27 PM**

**Trustee Campbell:** Moved; **Second by Trustee Nielsen** to accept the Motion as presented.

**Discussion:** No discussion.

**Upon Roll Call:** Ayes: 4 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 2  
Abstain: 0

**Ayes:** Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott

**Naes: 0**

**Recues: 0**

**Absent: Trustee Freeman, Trustee Thomas**

**Abstain: 0**

**Motion Approved: Yes**

**2) Motion to give Village Attorney authority to develop Ordinance to increase water rates to \$1.63 per thousand effective January, 2013 billing cycle as discussed in Executive Closed Session.**

**Trustee Campbell: Moved; Second by Trustee Plott to accept the Motion as presented.**

**Discussion: No discussion.**

**Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 2  
Abstain: 0**

**Ayes: Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott**

**Naes: 0**

**Recues: 0**

**Absent: Trustee Freeman, Trustee Thomas**

**Abstain: 0**

**Motion Approved: Yes**

**3) Motion to approve action as discussed in Executive Closed Session to enter into Litigation to determine the Village of Glenwood's position as joint owner of water pipe.**

**Trustee Plott: Moved; Second by Trustee Nielsen to accept the Motion as presented.**

**Discussion: No discussion.**

**Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 4 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 2  
Abstain: 0**

**Ayes: Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott**

**Naes: 0**

**Recues: 0**

**Absent: Trustee Freeman, Trustee Thomas**

**Abstain: 0**

**Motion Approved: Yes**

**OPEN TO PUBLIC:**

Keith Reichert (Holly Court) recommended that letter explaining water rate increase be sent to residents.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

**Motion to adjourn the November 13, 2012 Special Board Meeting.**

**Trustee Campbell: Moved; Second by Trustee Plott to accept the Motion as presented.**

**Upon Roll Call: Trustees Campbell, Hopkins, Nielsen, Plott responded "Aye."**

**Absent: Trustee Freeman, Trustee Thomas**

**Motion Approved: Yes**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The November 13, 2012 Special Board Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM.

  
Ernestine T. Dobbins, Village Clerk