

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF GLENWOOD, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018

The February 20, 2018 Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Village President Ronald J. Gardiner who led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Upon Roll Call by Village Clerk **Dion D Lynch**, the following Trustees responded: **Beckman, Clark, Styles, Slaughter, Washington, Winston**

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: **Toleda Hart**, Treasurer; **John Donahue**, Village Attorney; **Chief Kevin Welsh** ;Fire Department ;**Patrick McAneney**, Public Works; **Phillip Robbins**, Glenwoodie; **JoAnne Alexander**, Senior Center-Park Programs; **Linda Brunette**, Finance Director ;**Chief Demetrious Cook**, Police Department.

Fire Chief Welsh arrived at 7:10pm
Treasurer Hart arrived at 7:15pm
Public Works Director McAneney arrived at 7:50pm

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES: **Motion to Approve the, February 6, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.**

Trustee Styles moved; **Second** by **Trustee Clark** to accept to motion as presented.

Discussion: No Discussion

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 6 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Beckman, Clark, Styles, Slaughter, Washington, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

TREASURER'S REPORT: 1). **Motion to Approve Bills Payable** as presented by the Village Treasurer **Toleda Hart**.

Corporate Fund: \$118,798.62; **MFT:** \$14,685.38; **Water** \$93,737.67; **Capital Acquisition Fund** \$1,404.85 **TIF Glenwood Plaza:** \$ 51,849.68; **Glenwoodie Golf Course:** \$19,367.13; **TIF State Street** \$154.25; **Foreign Fire Insurance** \$40.00

TOTAL ALL FUNDS: \$300,037.58

Trustee: **Clark** moved; **Second** by **Trustee Beckman** to accept the Motion as read.

Discussion: No Discussion

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 6 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0
Abstain: 0

Ayes: Beckman, Clark, Slaughter, Styles, Washington, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

2) Motion to Approve Payroll as of the date, February 16, 2018 as presented by the Village Treasurer Toleda Hart

Corporate: \$106,818.00; **Glenwoodie:** \$14,827.00; **Sewer & Water:** \$18,316.00

OVERTIME: Police: \$6,015.00(230.00 of Police Overtime reimbursable); **Sewer & Water:** \$ 6,981.00

TOTAL PAYROLL: \$152,957.00

Trustee: Beckman moved; **Second by Trustee Clark** to accept the Motion as presented.

Discussion: Trustee Washington asked Chief Cook if the over time is a result of the Police officer assisting other Villages/Cities. Chief Cook replied, some of the over time is a reflection of that. Also, we have a Sergeant who has been on sick leave for the last year. There were 5 murders last week 2 in Dolton 3 in Calumet City.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes:6 Naes:0 Recues:0 Absent:0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Beckman, Clark, Slaughter, Styles, Washington, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

No one approached the Board

COMMUNICATIONS:

MAYOR'S OFFICE:

No report, we did however have to close some road in town due to the flooding. Both Chief Welsh and Director McAneney are out handling flood situation as we speak.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

No Report

(Acting) VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Absent

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

No Report- Trustee Winston inquired about the "Wall" that we are building on park street, where are we with that? Engineer Shilling replied, we are still building the flood wall, the remaining houses need to come down before we can start the process. At this point we have not acquired all the property's necessary to move forward. There are four homes left that we are working with get the project complete. Trustee Washington asked is there a timeline for this grant? Chief Welsh replied, no. We have met timeline for acquisition and demolition. Trustee Washington also stated, we need to be clear on what the homeowners are asking for. Chief Welsh explained what the homeowners are asking for, he also stated he would report back next meeting with findings from staff and Attorneys.

FINANCE:

No Report- Director Brunette request that the Mayor speak to the Trustees about putting false information out to the public about the Village staff. Mayor Gardiner stated, I'm not sure what this is about, but I sincerely hope that Trustees are not putting false information out about the staff. Trustee Winston, added. That was a memo that was circulated. I don't know when it's from, but I do believe anytime a memo is circulated I believe the taxpayers have a right to know. Mayor Gardiner and Director Brunette stated there is absolutely no money missing, this memo is from 2004, you publishing this memo insinuates misappropriation of funds, which is absolutely not true. Joanne Alexander stated, she was asked to do a favor from Village hall to Xerox all papers from the Senior Center. The memo was included in the papers which was from 2004 which was an error and corrected by Phil Russo (Previous Projects Grants Manager) the papers were FOIA by Trustee Slaughter. Treasurer Hart also stated, for public record. There has never been money that was misappropriated, in reference to the journal entry it is noted in all audits any time Auditor has to make an adjustment. The two items in

question were posted in the Audit and made public information. **Treasurer Hart**, also stated she does not want the public to feel funds were misappropriated or missing in anyway. Funds were coded in the wrong account, it was caught in the audit, and the Auditor posted it for public information.

POLICE:

Chief Cook stated, we have one Sergeant that has applied permanent disability. We also had a part-time officer move to Texas and a desk Officer to leave that we have not replaced as of yet. All are welcome to come to the Police Dept. We can go over the books.

FIRE BUILDING:

Chief Welsh at 8:00am this morning we had to close the bridge due to the flooding. Both Fire and Public Works are currently sandbagging certain homes now. **Trustee Winston** asked, how are we looking on salt? Chief Welsh replied, we are in really good shape, we might be down in cost this year because of the reserve we previously had.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Absent

GLENWOODIE:

Phil Robinson stated, we are waiting for snow to melt to get back out on the golf course, will perform repairs as needed.

SENIOR/PARK PROGRAMS:

JoAnne stated, Glenwood is invited to Community Celebration at Prairie State College Wednesday February 21st 5pm to 7:30pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Washington stated, she would like to make a comment related to Linda. **Trustee Washington** stated, I would hope that if we have a question about anything we would bring to the Mayor and or appropriate official. Putting information out to the public like that, that's just not something we should do. We should be professional and considerate about it; we should not do this to each other. **Trustee Winston** stated, all memos should be public information and made available to the public.

Trustee Winston stated, concerned about who individuals walking in the street during the big snow fall. Who takes care of the sidewalk on Halsted? **Chief Welsh** replied, IDOT is responsible for those sidewalks.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of an Ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the Village of Glenwood Code of Ordinances to add a new Article VI, titled "Annual Budget Preparation"

Trustee: Washington moved; Second by **Trustee Clark** to accept the Motion as read.

Discussion: Mayor Gardiner thanked Trustee Washington for her hard work on the ordinance. Trustee Slaughter wanted the record to reflect that Trustee Washington initiated the ordinance.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes:6 Naes:0 Recues:0 Absent:0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Beckman, Clark, Slaughter, Styles, Washington, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

Trustee Slaughter asked, for a status on the Village Administrator position. Mayor Gardiner replied, I don't know how many candidates we have currently, the post will close at the end of the month. Trustee Winston stated, he put in a request to HR for the number of applicants for the Village Administrator position, he also doesn't understand why he was told by HR that he would have to get that information from the Mayor. Mayor Gardiner replied it's not an issue I will email all Trustees the number of applicants that we have.

Trustee Slaughter also asked, have we conveyed any parcels to Ralph Edgar and if so, which ones? Mayor Gardiner and Attorney Donahue replied, none. Trustee Slaughter asked, which order will we convey them. Mayor Gardiner replied, we haven't conveyed anything yet, depending on the businesses he brings will determine which properties will be conveyed.

Trustee Washington stated, we discussed the community survey. We talked about a town hall meeting April 1st. I would also like to have the survey initiated, so by the time of the town hall meeting the residents will have an opportunity to review. Trustee Beckman stated, he is in agreement with Trustee Washington, he also expressed we may need to revisit the survey before its put out to the public, to ensure it covers everything. Trustee Styles stated shouldn't we hold the Town Hall meeting before April? Trustee Washington agreed. Trustee Washington asked that all the Trustees make the revision to the survey and send to the Mayor as soon as possible.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Christine Duvachelle

Read to the Board a statement posted on Facebook by Adam Winston related to a memo that was also attached to his statement. She stated Phil Russo has been dead for 18 years, she stated Adam is slandering Linda Brunette. She also stated she was on the Board

during that time. Phil Russo identified the error and made the public aware.

Mary Commodore

Inquired about the finance meeting that was to happen on Thursday. She is concerned about timing, to inform her parents of next steps

Trustee Winston

I did not write the memo, I just posted it. I did not slander anyone.

Harold Dawson

1. Following up on concerning information about not getting any business with sales tax business. Concerned about what the next course of action will be.
2. Update to our conversation related to Burger King property

Ed Hadnot

1. Concerned about statement related to the excess of FOIA request.
2. Concerned about why in the last two years haven't the Board voted on closed meeting session. Why would we want to keep those tapes private.

Andrea Watkins

The Democratic women of are having a breakfast rally. All of the candidates running for office will be present. March 3rd beginning at 9:30pm

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn the February 20, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.

Trustee: Styles moved; Second by Trustee Washington to accept the Motion as presented.

Discussion: No

Upon Roll Call: Ayes:6 Naes:0 Recues:0 Absent:0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Beckman, Clark, Slaughter, Styles, Washington, Winston

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

ADJOURNMENT:

The February 20, 2018 Regular Board Meeting adjourned
at 8:03 PM.



Dion Lynch, Village Clerk