

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
13800 S. CICERO AVE., CRESTWOOD, IL 60418
October 5, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Presta at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Louis Presta
Trustees Theresa Flynn, Anthony Benigno, Linda Madlener, Ken Klein
and Frank Caldario

Absent: Trustee Kevin Wasag

Also present: Village Clerk Cathy Johnson and Village Services Director Bill Graffeo

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Trustee Madlener brought up the Ordinance in the packet titled "An Ordinance amending Chapter 32 of the code of Ordinances and creating the position of Economic Development Director". She stated that this position seems to mirror the job that Mayor does now. Mayor wanted to know why she feels he should not have this job, and it appears that several trustees will be voting no to this end. Mayor also commented that Trustee Flynn and Mayor had a discussion several months ago in regards to a possible resignation by Mayor and Trustee Flynn said if she became Mayor, she would have the Mayor as a consultant.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

1. David Sosin was in attendance to discuss any questions regarding Mayor Presta's submitted resignation, effective upon the election of his successor as Acting Mayor at the next scheduled Village Board meeting on October 7, 2021. Attorney Sosin also distributed a small packet outlining the procedures to follow in the election of an Acting Mayor. Trustee Madlener asked a question regarding what powers a Trustee would lose if they are elected as Acting Mayor and do not relinquish their Trustee position. Trustee Madlener also asked if we could wait until all Trustees were in attendance? Mayor stated that he wanted the vote to take place this week. Trustees Madlener and Flynn voiced their disappointment at this turn of events.
2. Attorney Sosin commented on the Eldorado property development agreement presented in the Board packet, and suggested that we wait until the Board has more time to review the lengthy agreement. Trustee Madlener highlighted a few errors she found when she was going over the agreement.
3. Attorney Sosin also passed out a packet regarding the prevailing wage information requested by Trustee Flynn.

VILLAGE SERVICES DIRECTOR

1. Public Works has started to redo the areas in Playfield Phase 1 that the reseeding of the grass was not done properly.
2. Public works has also done two more storm sewer spot repairs, overall saving the Village close to \$285,000.
3. We had a new full-time police officer sworn in yesterday, on October 4, 2021.
4. We had a water main break in the Village hall parking lot over the weekend.
5. The watermain replacement job in the Phase 2 area has finally begun.

COMPTROLLER 1. No Report

HUMAN
RESOURCES 1. No Report

VILLAGE
CLERK'S
REPORT 1. Board packet for the October 7, 2021 meeting was distributed.

MAYOR'S
REPORT

1. The property at 142nd and Pulaski is scheduled to close this week.
2. In two to three weeks Mayor will be meeting with some people from Washington in regards to the possible on/off ramp on Pulaski Rd. County has promised to give \$1,000,000 as opposed to the Federal Government.
3. A new business has bought the Crestwood Auto auction at 14120 S. Cicero Ave. called Belle Tire. A couple of residents were in attendance to say that the current business is still not taking care of their property.
4. There is a contract on the State Police building by Josh Glazier.
5. Developer Lee Fry is possibly going to put 3 national stores on the Cal Sag.
6. The east side of Cicero Ave. on Cal Sag Rd., has a couple of possible bites with some stipulations. One is a possible truck terminal.
7. The property at 14039-45 S. Cicero Ave. has been sold to the Jordanian counsel, which will be putting in a small strip mall.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS 1. None

NEW
BUSINESS 1. Trustee Flynn commented on her disappointment in the turn of events in regards to the resignation letter and not the full Board present for the vote on Thursday, October 7th, 2021.

AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION

1. Resident Mark Flynn had the following comments or questions.
 - A. Why does the Mayor want to be an employee as opposed to a consultant?
 - B. He also stated that he is not happy with the employee situation.
2. Resident Jim Fowler had the following comments or questions.
 - A. He wondered what all the problem is with everyone.
3. Resident Mike Michau had the following comments or questions.
 - A. He was wondering the outcome of previous Fire Chief Jon Bruce's disposition.
4. Resident Diane Tacy had the following comments or questions.
 - A. Why haven't the population signs been changed yet?
 - B. Can we please put an article in the paper in regards to having your garbage cans put away on garbage day by the required 6:00 p.m.
 - C. Does the Mayor or Board have any further information on Bill Wagner?
 - D. Diane wanted to let the men in the audience know that they should listen to their wives in regards to health issues.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION 1. None

ADJOURN
MENT There being no further business the Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.. The Motion was made by Trustee Benigno and seconded by Trustee Caldario All in favor. Motion carried.