

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
13800 S. CICERO AVE., CRESTWOOD, IL 60418
September 19, 2023

CALL TO
ORDER

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

ROLL
CALL

Present: Mayor Kenneth Klein

Trustees Anthony Benigno, Linda Madlener, Kevin Wasag, Frank Caldario, Brian Skala, and Denise Pietrucha

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

DISCUSSION
ITEMS

1. Trustee Wasag had a question regarding 4608 W. 137th St., if this was the new storage unit the Village purchased.

VILLAGE
SERVICES
DIRECTOR

1. Bill Graffeo reported the following:
 - A. The next phase of the Gardens project, the MFT portion of the streets and sidewalks should be getting started soon with probable completion by the end of November, 2023.
 - B. The Village and the Engineers will be reviewing the restoration process in the Gardens to see if anything needs to be redone or fixed in early October, 2023.
 - C. We still have a few lawns that need to be redone in the Playfield area that will be redone by Public Works.
 - D. Before the work was complete in the Gardens we had three houses that had water damage during one of the big rains about a month or more ago. We have been working with MWRD and the engineers to see what relief we can give these houses.
 - E. We will be issuing the \$100,000 check to satisfy the settlement agreement with the 5 police officers.
 - F. We will be updating the garage and accessory building ordinance, which is somewhat outdated.

COMPTROLLER 1. No Report

HUMAN
RESOURCES/
FINANCE
COORDINATOR

1. Amy Roe had the following to report:
 - A. The insurance is up for renewal and Bill and Amy had a meeting with Horton who handles our renewal. We will be changing companies, as the other company will no longer insure us. The new company is on a calendar year, so we will be having a grace period of 10/01/23 to 12/31/23, and our new policy will begin from 01/01/24 until 12/31/24. Probable increase of \$90,000.
 - B. The fire department has an appointment of Dan Jurka to Deputy Chief of Department.
 - C. Tip-a-Cop will be held at Barraco's on October 17th.

VILLAGE
distributed.
CLERK'S

1. Board packet for the September 21, 2023 Board meeting was

REPORT

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Tom Gavin of the Southwest Messenger called Mayor in regards to an ad for the prep sports. Wishing well for the upcoming year.
2. The art fair will be held on February 18, 2024 with the Art Council handling the arrangements. The surplus checks will be disbursed as usual.
3. This upcoming Saturday the Kupka motorcycle run will start off in Crestwood and end up at the graveside of their fallen comrade.
4. The current Board packet will lower our Class "A" liquor licenses down to 42, with the closing of two locations. It is possible it will be going right back up with 2 new locations possibly opening.
5. The Crest Point condos that have had an issue with builder Pat McGinty are planning a meeting with Channel 7 news to relay their problems.
6. The upcoming legislation to reduce the taxes for senior centers, nursing homes, etc is still up for debate.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

1. No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. None

NEW BUSINESS

1. One of the Trustees had a request for a "Dead End Sign" on 137th & Lawler and a speed trap.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

1. Resident Diane Tacz was in attendance and had the following comments or questions:
 - A. Diane mentioned that her personal insurance has also been increased.
 - B. Questions regarding what will be happening on Cicero Ave. with the streetscape.
 - C. Republic Services has now gone back to using separate trucks for garbage, grass and Recycling.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. None

ADJOURN MENT

There being no further business the Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.. The Motion was made by Trustee Caldario and seconded by Trustee Benigno All in favor. Motion carried.