

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
13800 S. CICERO AVE., CRESTWOOD, IL 60418
June 4, 2024

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 Clerk Cathy Johnson

DISCUSSION
ITEMS

1. Trustee Wasag still wondering if the semi-trucks are going to continue to park on West Playfield Dr. a residential district.
2. Trustee Madlener mentioned several items by Lawler and 137th St.
3. Trustee Caldario addressed a barking dog complaint.
4. Mayor mentioned that just this afternoon there was a shooting at Cicero Ave. and RiverCrest Dr.

VILLAGE
SERVICES
DIRECTOR

1. None

COMPTROLLER

1. No Report

HUMAN
RESOURCES/
FINANCE
COORDINATOR

1. None

VILLAGE
CLERK'S
REPORT

1. Board packet for the June 6, 2024 Board meeting was distributed.

MAYOR'S
REPORT

1. Attorney Burt Odelson questioning his role in our Village. Received an Oath for Assistant Attorney instead of Village Attorney. Also, not a lot of work coming his way. Mayor assured Him the Oath was in error and we are sending what we have in the way of work. All fences mended.
2. Our engineers still working on the IDOT permit for the turn lane at 133rd and Cicero Ave. New problems keep arising. Mayor unhappy with the delays.
3. The new cannabis dispensary "High Five" is getting close to opening. Final touches being done on the remodeling of the space.
4. Mayor trying to get the new owners of the corner of Cicero Ave. and Midlothian Tpk to put up some coming soon signs. Mayor unhappy with the lack of work here also.
5. The Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau president Jim Garrett will be retiring June 30, 2024. He has been President since 1996. Thanks Jim!

6. Possible tenant for the property at 13863 S. Cicero Ave., Scooters Coffee.
7. Also a possible tenant for the property at 14039-45, Burgers and Brews.
8. The property on Pulaski Rd. between 142nd and 143rd has been purchased.
9. There will be a benefit baseball game at the Thunderbolts stadium on August 3, 2024 which will benefit honor flight for veterans.
10. We would like to honor the worker at The Pointe of Kilpatrick for her act of kindness in helping out an accident victim outside The Pointe several weeks ago.
11. The Crest Point condos have a new complaint regarding a guide wire on their property and the street signs inside their complex.
12. The MWRD flood project issue with the Forest Preserve is moving in the right direction
13. The issue with the grass on 133rd and Laramie Ave. with Evergreen of Crestwood condos has been resolved. Bill assisted Evergreen of Crestwood with a sewer issue.
14. The curb has been repaired at Laramie and Midlothian Tpk., many residents grateful.
15. The residents in the Gardens subdivision are grateful to the Mayor, Bill and Public Works for the restorations done.
16. The 1% grocery tax will be eliminated but the State has extended the tax authority to the municipalities to reinstate it for home rule and non-home rule.
17. The LGDF tax did not increase it is still at 5 ½% but they are allowing an additional 1% sales tax on anything.
18. The MWRD is planning a "Friends of the River" day to do cleanup on the Cal Sag Rd.
19. The Mayor noticed how messy the Theatre was after the weekend. They do get out there to clean it up, but surprised how much garbage people throw on the ground.

VILLAGE
ATTORNEY

1. No Report

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

1. Trustee Benigno still wondering when a refresh of Brixmor property is going to happen?

NEW
BUSINESS

1. The beautification awards need to be in by Friday, so the winners can be announced at our next Board meeting on June 20, 2024. We will be awarding 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. They will each receive a Menards gift card.

AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION

1. None

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

1. None

ADJOURN
MENT

There being no further business the Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.. The Motion was made by Trustee Benigno and seconded by Trustee Wasag All in favor. Motion carried.