



VILLAGE of CRETE

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MINUTES VILLAGE OF CRETE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING July 25, 2016

REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

President Michael Einhorn called the regular board meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Crete to order on Monday, July 25, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the municipal building at 524 W. Exchange Street, Crete, Illinois. President Einhorn led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On a roll call by Village Clerk Deborah Bachert the following were present: Trustees Steven Beaudoin, Doris Harmon-Warren, Stephen Johnson, Holly Milburn, and President Michael Einhorn. Trustees Mark Wiater and Dean Gaffney were absent. A quorum was present.

Also in attendance: Attorney James Stevenson, Acting Administrator/Building Inspector Michael Smith, Police Chief James Paoletti, Fire Chief/Administrator Lyle Bachert, Public Works Superintendent Phil Hameister, Code Enforcement Supervisor/EMA Marty Braccio, Code Enforcement Ryan Allison Planning and Zoning Chairperson Karen Tellef.

CITIZENS' SPEAK

Visitors are always welcome to all public meetings of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Crete. Interested parties wishing to speak should identify their intent to speak, they then may give their name and where they reside if they so choose and then make their comment. Persons may also provide their address privately to the Village Clerk if they so choose; persons are advised that addresses are considered private information under the Freedom of Information Act and thus are exempt from disclosure pursuant to any Freedom of Information Act request. However, in order to give proper consideration to all items on the agenda, the President has the authority to limit participants in debates and will close repetitive or abusive remarks.

- Request from Peter Ristau, Crete resident, to block off Park Road between Linden and First Streets on Saturday, August 6th from dawn until dusk to host the 15th annual Mid-America Capri Gathering. (This item was moved forward from communications)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

STEVEN BEAUDOIN DEAN GAFFNEY DORIS HARMON-WARREN STEPHEN E. JOHNSON HOLLY MILBURN MARK WIATER

REPORTS: PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEES continued.

President Michael Einhorn

- Received an email from the FRA concerning the length of the delineators located at the Herman Street crossing site. Instructions were followed by the Village when the approval from Washington DC was received and the delineators were installed. The mayor will be speaking with FRA authorities on Tuesday, July 26, 2016.
- AT & T is beginning to remove their light poles along Main Street and in the southeast section of the old part of town. ComEd has installed new poles and AT&T and Comcast need to transfer their lines to the new poles before the old ones can be removed.

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Acting Village Administrator – Michael Smith

- The Request For Proposal for waste removal went out on July 15th. Four interested companies have asked for specs.
- Received the formal letter confirming establishment of the Lincoln and 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone.
- Will be on vacation beginning Saturday, July 30th for one week.

Police Department –Chief of Police James Paoletti

- Sgt. Pieritz has been accepted into the FBI National Academy Program which is an 11 week event. FBI funds approximately 90% of the cost to attend this program.

Fire Department – Fire Chief Lyle Bachert

- The IFERN radio that has be out of service due to phone line problems has been successfully moved from University Park to the water tower in Crete near the high school. Transmission has been reported as good.

Superintendent of Public Works – Phil Hameister – Report submitted

- The DECO Grant for LED street lighting continues to be on hold. .

Village Engineer – Tech III – no report

Building Department – Building Inspector Mike Smith – Report submitted

Code Enforcement – Code Enforcement Supervisor Marty Braccio – no report

Fire & Police Commission – no report

EMA – Marty Braccio

- EMA has received a thank you letter from Coal City for the Village of Crete's participation at the time of the tornado that struck their town one year ago. Included in the "Thank you" letter was a document detailing various examples of the management of events regarding how the town dealt with the disaster and the help received from various municipalities.

Animal Warden – Ryan Allison – no report

Planning Commission – Karen Tellef – no report

Heritage Commission – Phyllis Monks – absent

COMMUNICATIONS:

Warrants:

Excise (Telecom. Tax) – (Col.)	2016-\$	2015-\$
Local Use – (Col.)	2016-\$	2015-\$
Sales Tax – (Col. May)	2016-\$62,519.45	2015-\$77,035.85
Income Tax – (Col.)	2016-\$	2015-\$
MFT Allotment – (Col. June)	2016-\$11,772.16	2015-\$11,706.19
Pers. Prop. Rep. Tax–(Col. May-Jun)	2016-\$ 5,509.18	2015-\$ 5,486.55
ComEd Utility Tax (Col.)	2016-\$	2015-\$
Nicor Utility Tax (Col.)	2016-\$	2015-\$
Video Gaming Report (Col. April)	2016-\$ 5,971.01	2015-\$ 5,103.76

- Save the date notification received from Misericordia for the Annual Misericordia/Jelly Belly Candy Days tag day fundraising event scheduled for April 28 and April 29, 2017.
- Reminder: The Crete Bulldogs first tag day for this season will be Saturday, July 30th.
- Request from Peter Ristau, Crete resident, to block off Park Road between Linden and First Streets on Saturday, August 6th from dawn until dusk to host the 15th annual Mid-America Capri Gathering. The group has reserved the South Shelter of the park for this day's event. There will be Limited production two-seater cars on display from several mid-western states. This is not a club or a car show. It is strictly a gathering of the Mercury Capri Car Enthusiasts. (Note: The 14th annual gathering request was approved last year at the 7/27/2015 village board meeting). This request was moved to Citizens' Speak for action.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Discussion regarding the sale** of a 55 acre parcel commonly known as 1045 Main Street. The Board is considering selling a 55 acre parcel owned by the Village to spur development, plan for a connection street between Forest Glen Subdivision and Route 1 and to preserve the stand of old Oak trees located at the eastern portion of the property. No final action is anticipated.

Some ideas included during discussion of the 55 acre site included the 10.88 acres of jurisdictional wetlands, the idea of making known the desire to sell the approximately 43 acres for a specified price, the setting of a specified price, revisiting the plan with the party currently interested in purchasing the property and consider marketing the property for comparable pricing. In view of HITS Endurance coming to the area, other ideas may be entertained for the site. No final action was taken but is hopeful for next meeting.

It was discussed that retail space zoning along Illinois Route #1 should be planned and an appropriate Right of Way to Forest Glen Subdivision should be preserved.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Discussion on retention pond** drainage for the Country Lane Subdivision. Board action may be taken.

The Village Staff was directed to work with the farmer who owns the property south of Country Lane Subdivision in an effort to deal with the drainage issue in the area and to participate financially in accordance with statute.

2. **Signage (possibly lighted) for the Village** located on Route 394 was brought up for discussion by Trustee Harmon-Warren. Efforts to better advertise the Village with the coming of HITS Endurance and the economic impact that could have on the Village next year need to be considered. More discussion will be held in the future on the types of signs allowed. No action was taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: none held

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the board, a motion was made to declare the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Holly Milburn

Second by Trustee Steve Beaudoin

Ayes (4) Trustees Beaudoin, Harmon-Warren, Johnson, Milburn

Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Wiater and Gaffney

Abstain (0) none

Motion declared carried.

Passed and Approved on this 8th day of August, 2016.

Michael S. Einhorn, Village President

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Deborah S. Bachert, Village Clerk