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MINUTES
VILLAGE OF CRETE
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
June 13, 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, June 13, 2016 at 7:01 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 Dean Gaffney, Doris Harmon-Warren, Holly Milburn, Mark Wiater and President Michael Einhorn. Absent: Trustees Steven Beaudoin and Stephen Johnson. A quorum was present.
Also in attendance: Attorney James Stevenson, Acting Administrator/Building Inspector Michael Smith, Deputy Police Chief Bob Hill, Fire Chief/Administrator Lyle Bachert, Public Works Superintendent Phil Hameister, Code Enforcement Supervisor/EMA Marty Braccio, Code Enforcement Ryan Allison and 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.

Two residents of Crete addressed the Village Board.

1. A Crete Resident

The resident spoke about issues he had with the town when calling to complain about his neighbor and various other items. He stated he does not does not like the manner in which his issues and complaints about personnel who handled his neighbor complaints are being handled and felt intimidated by those persons who responded to his complaints. In his opinion, there is no professionalism in Crete.

CITIZENS' SPEAK continued.

2. Al Caruso, 3712 So. State Street
Mr. Caruso was present to ask the Village to consider making it law for people not to be able to burn open pit or camp fires within the Village limits. He submitted information gathered from the State concerning their requirements on burning issues. The Mayor agreed the Village will investigate possibilities to make this better.
Second item from Mr. Caruso was the tree that he believes is in the Village ROW and that received damage years ago when the sewer was installed through the Village. President Einhorn asked Public Works to check the situation.

Special orders

Unanimous Consent Agenda

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a board member so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- Approval of Minutes : Regular Board Meeting – May 23, 2016
- Approval of Bills
- Ratification of Payroll
- **Ordinance No. 2016-07:** An Ordinance authorizing the execution of a ROW License Agreement By and Between the Village of Crete and Sigecom, LLC d/b/a WOW! Internet, Cable and Phone for the placement and operation of fiber optic telecommunication wire in the right-of-way. First Reading, Second Reading and Adoption. Motion by Trustee Mark Wiater. Second by Trustee Steve Beaudoin. Motion Carried. The Village will allow WOW to place fiber cable in village road right of way. In exchange for this right, WOW will provide a fiber connection from the village hall to the police station, the public works building and the site of the proposed new Emergency Management building to be located at 280 W. Exchange. WOW will be installing fiber optic cable from the cell tower in the Crete Park to the cell tower at the corner of Elmscourt Lane and Route 1.

Trustee Wiater noted he had approved the bills for Trustee Gaffney, Buildings and Grounds at the May 23, 2016 Village Board meeting. Minutes will be corrected to reflect this.
Trustee Wiater approved bills for Trustee Beaudoin, Public Safety and Trustee Johnson, Water Department for the June 13, 2016 meeting.
Trustee Wiater asked that item #4, Ordinance No. 2016-08 from New Business be moved to the consent agenda.
Ordinance No. 2016-08: An Ordinance establishing the Prevailing Rate of Wages in this Locality for Laborers, Mechanics and other Workers engaged in Construction of Public Works as of June 1, 2016. This is an annual ordinance and is required to be passed and approved in accordance with state statue.
Attorney Stevenson explained the requirements of state statute concerning the prevailing wage ordinances.

Unanimous Consent Agenda continued.

A motion was made to approve the Unanimous Consent Agenda as presented with the additions requested by Trustee Wiater as listed.
Motion by Trustee Mark Wiater Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren
Ayes (4) Trustees Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn and Wiater
Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Beaudoin and Johnson Abstain (0) none
Motion declared carried.

REPORTS: PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEES

Public Health – Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren

- No report for the evening but wanted to remind people of the need for blood all the time, but especially for tragic times like have been experienced in Orlando Florida.

Water Department – Trustee Stephen Johnson – absent
Public Safety – Trustee Steven Beaudoin – absent
Building and Grounds – Trustee Dean Gaffney

- Reminds residents to obtain a free toter from Allied Waste or purchase their own cans and affix a free decal stating Yard Waste Only. Smaller branches can be placed in these cans which will save time for our public Works employees. Thanks to Public Works for the service to the Village. End of report.

Finance, License and Ordinance – Trustee Mark Wiater – no report
Road and Bridge – Trustee Holly Milburn – no report
President Michael Einhorn

- Consolidation efforts are continuing.
- Working towards creating an RFP for the probable demolition of 280 W. Exchange Street. The demolition of the building and the construction of a new metal building will take place on the existing foundation if it is deemed feasible.
- Trustee Harmon-Warren is working on the garbage RFP. President Einhorn will be offering advice, along with other board members, of changes or additions that may be useful.
- Received a call from John Eickman, HITS (Horses in the Sun), stating he desires to attend the next board meeting.
- Revenues being received by the Village from the State of Illinois are not far behind.

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Acting Village Administrator – Michael Smith

- The electric aggregation letters have been sent out to residents as of Friday June 10th. The letter notifies residents of the lower cost supplier (Com Ed) available that they may wish to switch to.
- Attended a meeting with the TIF Board last week concerning the buildings at 1395 Main Street. (Hubbard Trail Partners, Jan Schwieters). They are requesting money from TIF#2 to be used towards completion of Phase #4, the last planned building phase, at this property. The TIF Board agreed to fund their request at 50%, but not to exceed $235,000.00.

Police Department –Chief of Police James Paoletti – absent
Police Department – Deputy Chief Robert Hill

- Noted the Police sponsored Special Olympics Torch Run was held last Wednesday, June 8th. Thanks for all the support given by the residents and staff to make this event a success.

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS continued.

Fire Department – Fire Chief Lyle Bachert

- The water tower fire antenna project at the high school will begin on Tuesday, June 14th. The radio antenna used for communications will be moved from University Park to this location in Crete.

Superintendent of Public Works – Phil Hameister – Report submitted

- The clearing of areas on Crete Road is in preparation for upcoming projects on that road.

Village Engineer – Tech III – no report
Building Department – Building Inspector Mike Smith – Report submitted
Code Enforcement – Code Enforcement Supervisor Marty Braccio

- Voiced concerns of the dates selected for Village Wide Garage Sales as they coincide with holiday weekends. This causes difficulties for garbage collection. Suggested considering a change of date for next year to avoid conflict with garbage collection days.

Fire & Police Commission – no report
EMA – Marty Braccio – no report
Animal Warden – Ryan Allison

- Noted on June 2, 2016 a bat was picked up by Will County Animal Control in the 1100 block of Main Street. Testing by the IL Dept. of Public Health concluded the bat was infected with rabies. Do not approach or handle suspicious wildlife. Call Will County Animal Control at (815) 462-5633.

Planning Commission – Karen Tellef – no report
Heritage Commission – Phyllis Monks – absent

At this time Ted Dufour asked to speak again and stated he had not received satisfaction from the board members on the concerns he brought to the Village under Citizens' Speak tonight. No specific answers were given by board members. He stated he has plans to hire an attorney and to sue the Village.

As Mr. Dufour was leaving the boardroom, the Village Attorney advised the board members and staff not to answer any future communications from Mr. Dufour concerning his complaints concerning Village personnel's handling of his past complaints concerning his neighbor or his complaints against Village personnel since Mr. Dufour threatened to file a lawsuit.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Warrants:

Excise (Telecom. Tax) – (Col.)	**2016-$**	**2015-$**
Local Use – (Col.)	**2016-$**	**2015-$**
Sales Tax – (Col. April)	**2016-$94,686.81**	**2015-$95,622.77**
Income Tax – (Col. April)	**2016-$79,924.39**	**2015-$89,486.57**
MFT Allotment – (Col. May)	**2016-$18,667.16**	**2015-$18,035.69**
Pers. Prop. Rep. Tax–(Col.)	**2016-$**	**2015-$**
ComEd Utility Tax (Col. April)	**2016-$19,965.74**	**2015-$21,453.85**
Nicor Utility Tax (Col. April)	**2016-$ 9,748.63**	**2015-$11,640.36**
Video Gaming Report (Col)	**2016-$**	**2015-$**

COMMUNICATIONS continued:

- Letter from Comcast showing channel line-up changes beginning in July and August.
- President Einhorn read a letter from Trinity Lutheran Church thanking the Village for repairing the sidewalk area at the NE corner of the church property at Park and Cass Streets.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Discussion of water rates** relative to iron removal in the Village of Crete. Board action may be taken.

Due to the absence of two members of the board, President Einhorn asked the board members present to be prepared to discuss the water rates relative to iron removal in the Village at the next board meeting. The necessity for a water rate increase to pay for a bond that will be sold to finance the proposed new iron removal systems for five wells must be discussed. Possible solution may include a combination fixed rate and a usage rate charge. The Village will make monthly payments of approximately $24,000.00 in principal and interest on the bond once it is issued. This rate would be in effect for the 20 year payback period of the bond. The new treatment system will remove virtually all the iron and manganese from the well water that has been a constant source of complaints from residents.

2. **Discussion on the possible demolition** of the building located at 280 W. Exchange Street. Board action may be taken.

Discussion was held under President Einhorn's report.

3. **Resolution No. 2016-574:** A Resolution supporting the SSMMA endorsement of the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' Greenest Region Compact 2. The resolution supports the actions to be taken by SSMMA and Metropolitan Caucus of Mayors in passing H.R. 2775. Board action is anticipated.

A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 2016-574 supporting the SSMMA endorsement of the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' Greenest Region Compact 2.
Motion by Trustee Holly Milburn Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren
Ayes (4) Trustees Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn and Wiater
Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Beaudoin and Johnson Abstain (0) none
Motion declared carried.

4. **Downtown Landscaping:**

President Einhorn noted the downtown area landscaping upgrade done by McNally Landscaping is looking great. Other areas of new landscape that have been improved are located at Village Hall and the Post Office. Thanks to Byron McNally for the good work accomplished.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Notification from Environmental Information Logistics, LLC** on behalf of Waste Management of Illinois, Inc. (WMIL) concerning Beecher Landfill located at 1055 W. Goodenow Road, Beecher, IL. WMIL is submitting to the Illinois EPA an application for significant modification with the annual revised cost estimates for post-closure care as required by Title 35 Illinois Administrative Code Section 811.705 and Condition VI.6 of permit Modification No. 34. This application includes a request to discontinue the ambient air monitoring at the site. Board action may be taken.

No board members voiced any concerns about this notification. No action was taken.

2. **Resolution No. 2016-575:** A resolution authorizing the Execution of an As-Is Bill of Sale and Assignment between SBA Steel II, LLC and the Village of Crete for the conveying of an antenna tower and assignment of tenant lease. The As-Is Bill of Sale and Assignment (Agreement) by SBA Steel II,LLC, a Florida limited liability company and the Village of Crete. This is in regards to the conveyance of the antenna tower adjacent to the Village Hall. The Village would also receive assignment of the current Will County Lease for its antenna. Board action is anticipated.

A motion was made to adopt Resolution No. 2016-575 authorizing the Execution of an As-Is Bill of Sale and Assignment between SBA Steel II, LLC and the Village of Crete for the conveying of an antenna tower and assignment of tenant lease for the antenna tower adjacent to the Village Hall..
Motion by Trustee Mark Wiater Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren
Ayes (4) Trustees Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn and Wiater
Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Beaudoin and Johnson Abstain (0) none
Motion declared carried.

3. **Resolution No. 2016-576:** A resolution revising the Appointment of Authorized Agent to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. The resolution suggests appointing Debra L. Hameister, Collector/Deputy Village Clerk, as the authorized agent of the Village of Crete to act as the agent of the Corporate Authorities in IMRF matters, to file petitions for Nominations of an Executive Trustee of IMRF and to cast a ballot for Election of an Executive Trustee of IMRF. Board action is anticipated.

A motion was made to adopt Resolution No. 2016-576 with an amendment which revises the Appointment of Authorized Agent to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund noting the correction in names to state Michael E. Smith, Acting Village Administrator, as the authorized agent to IMRF rather than Debra L. Hameister, Collector/Deputy Village Clerk.
Motion by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren Second by Trustee Mark Wiater
Ayes (4) Trustees Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn and Wiater
Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Beaudoin and Johnson Abstain (0) none
Motion declared carried.

4. **Ordinance No. 2016-08:** An Ordinance establishing the Prevailing Rate of Wages in this Locality for Laborers, Mechanics and other Workers engaged in Construction of Public Works as of June 1, 2016. This is an annual ordinance and is required to be passed and approved in accordance with state statue. Board action is anticipated.

This item was moved by request of Trustee Wiater to the consent agenda for action.

A motion was made to close the regular session of the board meeting and move to executive session at 8:45 p.m. for the purpose of Compensation of specific employees of the public body, Threatened Litigation and Review of Executive Session Minutes.

Motion by Trustee Dean Gaffney Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren
On Roll Call:
Ayes (4) Trustees Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn and Wiater
Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Beaudoin and Johnson Abstain (0) none
Motion declared carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Compensation of specific employees of the public body.
2. Threatened Litigation.
3. Review of Executive Session Minutes

The board returned from Executive Session at 9:38 p.m. and entered into open session.

A motion was made to keep the employee contribution percentage for 2016-2017 at the same percentage as the past year with the Village to absorbing the remainder of the cost increase from IPBC.
Motion by Trustee Mark Wiater Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren
Ayes (4) Trustees Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn and Wiater
Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Beaudoin and Johnson Abstain (0) none
Motion declared carried.

A motion was made to release Executive Session minutes reviewed dated April 14, 2014 and July 14, 2014. No other minutes were reviewed.
Motion by Trustee Mark Wiater Second by Trustee Dean Gaffney
Ayes (4) Trustees Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn and Wiater
Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Beaudoin and Johnson Abstain (0) none
Motion declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the board, a motion was made to declare the meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.
Motion by Trustee Mark Wiater Second by Trustee Dean Gaffney
Ayes (4) Trustees Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn and Wiater
Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Beaudoin and Johnson Abstain (0) none
Motion declared carried.

Passed and Approved on this 27 day of June, 2016.

Michael S. Einhorn, Village President

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Deborah S. Bachert, Village Clerk