



VILLAGE of CRETE

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MINUTES VILLAGE OF CRETE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING January 8, 2018

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, January 8, 2018 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 Steve Beaudoin, Doris Harmon-Warren, Stephen Johnson, Holly Milburn and President Michael Einhorn. Trustees Raymond Harley and Mark Wiater were absent. A quorum was present.

Also in attendance: Attorney James Stevenson, Administrator Michael Smith, Police Chief James Paoletti, Deputy Chief Scott Pieritz, Fire Administrator/Chief Mike Waterman, Superintendent of Public Works Phil Hameister, Code Enforcement Supervisor/EMA Marty Braccio, and Ryan Allison, Animal Control.

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.

- Oath of Office to be given to part-time police officer Andre D. Jackson
- Oath of Office to be given to part-time police officer Bradley J. Wiater

Clerk Bachert administered the oath of office for part-time police officers Andre Jackson and Brad Wiater. Welcome was extended to both men.

No other persons in the audience asked to speak at this time.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

STEVEN BEAUDOIN • RAYMOND E. HARLEY • DORIS HARMON-WARREN • STEPHEN E. JOHNSON • HOLLY MILBURN • MARK WIATER

REPORTS: MAYORS AND TRUSTEES continued:

Water Department – Trustee Stephen Johnson

- Trustee Johnson deferred to Supt. Hameister to explain the increase in costs concerned with the chlorination process that will be used in the Village. The Village must adhere to the Ten Stat Standards for absorption of chlorine.

Public Safety – Trustee Steven Beaudoin – no report

Building and Grounds – Trustee Raymond Harley – no report

Finance, License and Ordinance – Trustee Mark Wiater – no report

Road and Bridge – Trustee Holly Milburn

- Thanks to all first responders who have been working in the extreme conditions the past couple weeks. You are truly appreciated.

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Acting Village Administrator – Michael Smith

- Come Ed sent a lighting engineer to the Village to review our services for its efficiency. A report from Com Ed has been received and Administrator Smith is currently reviewing it. Much of the upgrade suggestions concerns LED lights. Many LED lights have already been installed in the village.
- A meeting will take place with representatives of Circle K and the Chicago electronic billboard company concerning location of the proposed billboard site. Mike Smith will attend this meeting.

Police Department – Chief of Police James Paoletti – no report

Fire Department – Fire Administrator/Chief Mike Waterman

- Reporting on the Review of Crete Fire Department during 2017 and it has proven to be a good year.
- The department is working through some issues with changing over the new dispatch center.

Superintendent of Public Works – Phil Hameister – Report submitted

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 – Dale Nelson – no report

EMA – Marty Braccio – no report

Animal Control/Code Enforcement Officer – Ryan Allison – no report

Planning Commission – Karen Tellef – no report

Heritage & Architecture Commission – Phyllis Monks – no report

COMMUNICATIONS:

Warrants:

Excise (Telecom. Tax) – (Col. Oct. 2017)	2017-\$16,806.68	2016-\$20,062.60
Local Use – (Col. Dec.2017)	2017-\$18,164.59	2017-\$15,902.48
Sales Tax – (Col. October 2017)	2017-\$65,442.11	2016-\$60,419.42
Sales Tax of ½ percent – (Col.)	2017-\$22,689.33	2017-\$ no history
Income Tax – (Col. Dec. 2017)	2017-\$43,064.97	2016-\$43,924.88
MFT Allotment – (Col.)	2018-\$	2017-\$
Pers. Prop. Rep. Tax–(Col.)	2018-\$	2017-\$
ComEd Utility Tax (Col. Nov. 2017)	2017-\$21,113.91	2016-\$21,374.26
Nicor Utility Tax (Col.)	2018-\$	2017-\$
Video Gaming Report (Col. Oct. 2017)	2017-\$10,383.17	2016-\$ 6,662.02

COMMUNICATIONS continued:

- Clerk Bachert announced the passing on Sunday, January 7, 2018 of long time Crete resident Randy Dekens. On February 11, 1980 he joined the fire department serving until the time he went to exempt status. From July 1985 through June 1989 Randy served on the Architectural Advisory Board. In 1989 he became a Village Trustee, serving in that position for six years. In 1996 he became a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission until resigning in 2010. The Village of Crete thanks Randy Dekens for his many years of service to our Village.
- AT & T rates for U-Verse will be raising in 2018 between \$2-3 and all Latino stations will raise between \$4 and \$8 per month.
- Comcast has notified the community with information on its local personnel.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Ordinance 2018-01:** An Ordinance authorizing payment of certain eligible redevelopment project costs from TIF District No. 2 funds for public sidewalk rehabilitation, removal and replacement program/2017-2018. This was discussed at last board meeting when bid results were reported. Board action is anticipated.

This ordinance was moved to the Consent Agenda for action.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Ordinance No. 2018-02:** An Ordinance adopting a policy prohibits sexual harassment for the Village of Crete. Board action is anticipated.

Attorney Stevenson explained that due to a statutory mandate the current Village of Crete ordinance needs to be replaced with the new State's preferences and requirements concerning sexual harassment. The original Village of Crete Ordinance adopting a sexual harassment policy was adopted in 1999 and was more extensive. A future amendment may be presented.

A motion was made to read Ordinance No. 2018-02, an Ordinance adopting a policy to prohibit sexual harassment for the Village of Crete for the first time in title only.

Motion by Trustee Stephen Johnson. Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren

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

Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Harley and Wiater Abstain (0) none

Motion declared carried.

President Einhorn read aloud Ordinance No. 2018-02 in title only.

A motion was made to read Ordinance No. 2018-02 for the second time in title only.

Motion by Trustee Stephen Johnson Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren

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

Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Harley and Wiater Abstain (0) none

Motion declared carried.

President Einhorn read aloud Ordinance No. 2018-02 in title only for the second time.

NEW BUSINESS continued:

A motion was made to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-02, An Ordinance adopting a policy prohibits sexual harassment for the Village of Crete.

Motion by Trustee Stephen Johnson Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren

On Roll Call:

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

Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Harley and Wiater Abstain (0) none

Motion declared carried.

2. A January 2, 2018 Letter received from Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau is asking for an acknowledgement letter from the Village of Crete that the Village is a part of the sixty-four communities participating in the CSCVB and designating that the CSCVB is the official destination and marketing organization for our region. The CSCVB's mission is to create a positive image as a viable destination site for conventions and meetings, group tours, sporting events and leisure visitors. Board action is anticipated.

A motion was made to authorize signing the letter received from Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau is asking for an acknowledgement letter from the Village of Crete that the Village is a part of the sixty-four communities participating in the CSCVB and designating that the CSCVB is the official destination and marketing organization for our region.

Motion by Trustee Stephen Johnson Second by Trustee Doris Harmon-Warren

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

Nays (0) none Absent (2) Trustees Harley and Wiater Abstain (0) none

Motion declared carried.

3. Authorizing a salary offer for lateral entry of a police officer. Board action is anticipated.

This item will not be discussed at this time.

4. Recommendation from Administrator/Fire Chief Mike Waterman requesting approval of Promotion of Firefighter Bill Toberman to engineer. Board action may be taken.

Administrator/Fire Chief Waterman announced the promotion of Bill Toberman from firefighter to engineer. Toberman is retired from Village of Park Forest Fire Department where he served as engineer and mechanic.

