



Village of Caseyville

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES December 16, 2015

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Trustee

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Trustee

G.W. SCOTT, SR.
Trustee

BRENDA WILLIAMS
Trustee

BRIAN RADER
Supt. of Public Works

FRANK MOORE
Chief of Police

Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Village of Caseyville was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Pro Tem Brenda Williams. The meeting was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 in the Council Chambers at 909 South Main, Caseyville, IL 62232.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and silent prayer.

Roll Call:

Matt Modrovsky, John Buckley, Brenda Williams, Jackie Mitchell, Wally Abernathy, G.W. Scott,

Board Members absent: Mayor Leonard Black

Others Present: Clerk Rob Watt, Superintendent of Public Works, Brian Rader, Chief of Police Frank Moore, and Village Attorney, Brian Manion

Minutes:

A motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by Matt Modrovsky, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board and Closed Session Meetings held on December 2, 2015. No additions or corrections.

Voting on Motion: All yeas, no nays - **Motion Passed**

Old Business:

- Motion was made by Matt Modrovsky, seconded by Jackie Mitchell, to approve Ordinance #1517 – Annual Tax Levy Ordinance for 2015-2016.

No questions on the motion.

Voting on Motion: All yeas, no nays - **Motion Passed**

- Motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by G.W. Scott, to approve Resolution #1557 - Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Business License to Caseyville Petroleum Inc. contingent on them passing all of their inspections.

No questions on the motion.

Voting on Motion: All yeas, no nays - **Motion Passed**

Citizen's Input:

- Mr. Vernon Wehrle came before the Board to discuss the issue with the Village phone system not being updated with the new Board Members extensions. He states that the past Board Members are still on there. The Board discussed the issue and Brenda Williams states that she will get with Keri Lynn Cary to update the system. Mr. Wehrle also brought up the Handi Mart and the memo he received from Chief Frank Moore. He says that he disagrees with some of the items on the memo. He acknowledges that Mr. Patel did address the issue with the pipes on the building but did not strap them down correctly. He continues that the Handi Mart building needs a lot of work and points out all the issues that need to be fixed. He goes over the fact he was a part of the Planning Commission when the Handi Mart was approved. He explains the issue with cars being sold on the lot and how it was meant to be handled. He mentions the electrical issue and if it is up to code to include the type of outlets and amperage. He brings up the fact concerning outdated plates on some equipment and explains how having dealer plates works. Brenda Williams asks Chief Moore about if what Mr. Wherle states about the dealer license plates is correct. Chief Frank Moore gives his explanation on the issue. Brenda Williams asks Chief Moore if he saw any equipment without plates and Chief

Moore states at the time everything had current plates but he will double check to make sure that is still the case. Chief Moore states that he and Brian Rader will look at the electrical issue to ensure that it is up to code. Brenda Williams asks Chief Moore to provide the Trustees a copy of the report of all the issues with Handi Mart. This way they can look at it as a group and get questions answered if they have any. Brenda Williams mentions that she doesn't know if the codes were updated but wants the Trustees to get together to revamp the Village Development Codes to make them clear and concise for all those that read them. She invites Mr. Wehrle to sit in since he was part of the Planning Commission in the past.

- Brad VanHoose comes before the Board to discuss a Freedom of Information Act request he submitted to the Village. His request was for a Computer Investigation that was performed in 2013 and notes that there was no Board approval in 2013 and 2014 for \$20,000 to perform this investigation. He notes that, from the records he did receive, that it looks like the Mayor approved the investigation without Board approval. He goes into if the funds were drawn from the proper accounts and the fact that there is a \$10,000 cap. He pleads with the Village Board to release the Computer investigation report in lieu of him moving forward with suing the Village, something that he does not want to do. He states that the release will clear the air about some long time Village employees, will exonerate a few employees, and it's the obligation of the Village Board to account for \$20,000 which could buy some things for the Village. He asks the Board to release it via Resolution or Ordinance and reiterates he doesn't want to sue the Village because he would win. He goes over the Village response to his FOIA concerning the report and the amount of money spent on the Attorney to compile the response. He ends his comments by stating he doesn't want to sue the Village, asks for the Board to release the report and states that the Village residents should know what their \$20,000 paid for.
- Mr. Ivan Torres comes forward to address the Board. He is asking for guidance on what he needs to do get his request of allowing an equestrian/family recreation center on his property to be moved forward and approved. He mentions that it was denied by the Board due to construction on Bunkum Road that might happen but not for a while. He states that if it does happen he doesn't see what he is trying to do will interfere. Wally

Abernathy states that the contractor for the road construction is having a permit issue with putting a pipe in and the pipe being an issue also. He states that the contractor is looking to start after the first of the year. Wally Abernathy states that he will need to go to the Planning Commission and go through the procedure again to get approval. Mr. Torres mentions the fees associated and if he has to wait until the Bunkum Road construction is done before he starts the process over and he is told yes.

- Mr. Radesh Gobi comes to the Board to request permission to be allowed to have a tent and to cook outside of the Community Center for his event. His request is discussed in detail by the Board and will be added for approval at the next Board Meeting.

New Business:

Finance/TIF/Grants/Insurance:

- Motion was made by Matt Modrovsky, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to approve the TIF Reimbursement Payment to Sasak Corporation for 2015 from TIF 2 for \$88,568.

John Buckley mentions he will vote for it but is not in favor of it. He states that these types of TIF projects will no longer happen due to the new system in place.

No questions on the motion.

Voting on Motion: All yeas, no nays - **Motion Passed**

Police:

- Motion was made by John Buckley, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to table Ordinance #1519 – Ordinance to Sell Surplus Property for the Caseyville Police Department.

The Board discusses what the minimum bid is and if it was with equipment or without. John Buckley states that is would be better to have the minimum bid be for a full unit if we are selling it. The Board agrees and it is tab

No questions on the motion.

Voting on Motion: All yeas, no nays - **Motion Passed**

Public Works/Building:

- Motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by G.W. Scott, to approve reducing the Village tap fees to \$2,500 for the first 10 Homes in the Tanglewood Development.

No questions on the motion.

Voting on Motion: All yeas, no nays - **Motion Passed**

Planning/Zoning:

- Motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by Matt Modrovsky, to approve Resolution #1558 - Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Business License to Excel Plumbing, Inc., contingent on them passing all of their inspections

No further questions on the motion.

Voting on Motion: All yeas, no nays - **Motion Passed**

Correspondence:

- Clerk Rob Watt did not have any correspondence for this meeting.

Approval of Bills:

A motion was made by Matt Modrovsky, seconded by G.W. Scott, to authorize the expenditures of the bills in the amount of \$30,650.55 and the money drawn from the proper accounts, as funds are available.

Wally Abernathy asks if that's not a penalty on that water bill. He is told by Matt Modrovsky that the Village no longer gets charged penalties.

No further questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: All yeas and no nays - **Motion passed.**

On a suggestion by Brenda Williams to be on the safe side, A motion was made by Matt Modrovsky, seconded by Jackie Mitchell, to authorize the expenditures of the remaining bills in the amount of \$399,514.67 and to have the money drawn from the proper accounts, as funds are available.

No further questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: All yeas and no nays - Motion passed.

Monthly Reports:

Chief of Police – Chief Frank Moore gave the monthly Police stats for November. Sergeant Gerard Spratt gave a detailed brief on Smart 911 a free service from St. Clair County.

Superintendent of Public Works - Superintendent Brian Rader talked about the Long Street Project and confirmed that Keeley and Sons were awarded the contract for the project. He stated that they will start on March 1st, 2016, weather permitting. Brenda Williams asked how long the road will be closed and if this would impact the Parade in June. Brian Rader stated that the project will be complete by the end of May, that the parade will go on without delay and that Keeley and Sons will ensure that all signage indicating that the road is closed is put in place while they work on the bridge. He states that this was made an important detail to Keeley and Sons. Brian Rader mentioned the MFT funds. Brian Rader mentioned the International dump truck's body kit being completed and expects the truck to be here in 2-3 weeks.

M.K. Dashke – Ms. Dashke had nothing to report.

Miscellaneous: None.

Adjournment

There was no additional business to bring before the Board. A motion was made by John Buckley, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to adjourn the meeting.

Voting on the motion: All yeas and no nays - **Motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Watt", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Rob Watt
Village Clerk