



Village of Caseyville

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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 26, 2014

Call to Order:

The Special Board Meeting of the Village of Caseyville was called to order at 7:28 P.M. by Mayor Leonard Black. The meeting was held on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 in the Council Chambers at 909 South Main, Caseyville, IL 62232.

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

Roll Call:

Trustees present: Kerry Davis, Wally Abernathy; Ron Tamburello, Brenda Williams, G.W. Scott.

Others Present: Mayor Leonard Black, Superintendent of Public Works, Brian Rader, Chief Jose Alvarez, Village Attorney, Mike Grast.

Absent: Rick Casey, Jr and Clerk Rob Watt

Citizen's Input:

- Rick Pierce addressed the Village Board to pass on that the Caseyville On Watch (C.O.W.) Neighborhood Watch Program was having their first meeting at the Caseyville Community Center at 7pm on April 27, 2014. He asked that all in attendance pass that information along to those they know. They are looking for a huge turnout and they are there to protect the community. He also wanted to pass on that C.O.W. would be a featured story on News Channel 4 and that C.O.W. Media Relations member Phyllis Scott would be interviewed to promote the Village and the program..

New Business:

- Motion was made by Brenda Williams, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to approve Ordinance #1407 – An Ordinance on the Hiring and Firing of Part-Time Police Officers.

No questions on the motion.

LEN BLACK
Mayor

ROB WATT
Village Clerk

WALTER ABERNATHY
Trustee

RICK CASEY, JR.
Trustee

KERRY DAVIS
Trustee

G.W. SCOTT, SR.
Trustee

RON TAMBURELLO
Trustee

BRENDA WILLIAMS
Trustee

BRIAN RADER
Supt. of Public Works

JOSE ALVAREZ
Chief of Police

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

- Motion was made by Brenda Williams, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to approve appointment of Chatman & Baricevic as the Attorney for the Police and Fire Commissioner Board.

No questions on the motion.

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

- Motion was made by Brenda Williams, seconded by Kerry Davis, to table the approval of the contract with the FOP. Brenda Williams asked for a Special Meeting after the Committee Meeting on April 2, 2014.

No questions on the motion.

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

- Motion was made by Brenda Williams, seconded by Ron Tamburello, to approve the detailing for the new police cars. Design chosen was black & gray reflective.

No questions on the motion.

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

- Motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by G.W. Scott, to approve Diel and Ferguson as the temporary Treasurer.

Leslie McReynolds brought to the Board's attention that Michael Brokering no longer was employed by Diel & Ferguson. She asked if they voted for Diel & Ferguson, would we be stuck with that firm and not getting the same guy. It was determined Michael Brokering was working for another firm and not something else for Diel and Ferguson. Wally Abernathy stated the it was Diel & Ferguson, he made the motion and there was a second so let's vote on it.

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

- Motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by Kerry Davis, to authorize Siechman, Allison & Knapp to perform an Emergency Audit.

It was asked to clarify which company was performing the Audit. The firm of Diel & Ferguson was clarified as the one that is to come in and

get things straightened up and Siechman, Allison & Knapp were to do the audit. The Mayor thought it was going to be JW Boyle but was told by Wally Abernathy that it was going to be Siechman, Allison and Knapp to see what's going on.

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

- Mayor Black began the discussion of the appointment of a new Chairman of the Finance Committee. He did not know how to handle it and it was his appointment. He stated he had one member resign and that G.W. Scott wanted to be on the Committee but does not want to be Chairman. The Mayor wanted to wait until the next committee meeting to discuss further. He asked the Board if there was anybody wanted to be Chairman. Kerry Davis stated that was the first question to be asked. It was determined that it was going to be a tough job and that Wally Abernathy and Ron Tamburello did not want to be the Chairman. It was asked who was going to make the decisions because they needed someone and Mayor Black thought it would be G.W. Scott. Wally Abernathy made a motion to have Brenda Williams be Chairman. Ron Tamburello stated there were 2 members on there now but no Chairman. Kerry Davis mentioned that G.W. Scott also wanted to be on there.

- The discussion moved to who could appoint the Chairman and Kerry Davis brought up the fact that the Village has an Ordinance that the Village Board appoints the Committees and the Chairman is a part of that Committee. He also stated that the Board was been done for a long time. The Mayor asked Attorney Mike Gras to check out how the appointment of Chairman is made. Attorney Gras stated that he would but he talked to John Gilbert and he stated it was the Mayor's appointment but did not give references to what statute or ordinance. Attorney Gras said he would look for that ordinance and Kerry Davis stated he might have it in the pile of ordinances he had. The Mayor verified the process as he knew it and asked if that was correct. Kerry Davis stated that Ordinance #732 gave the authority to the Village Board to appoint all Committees and that the Mayor was a de facto member of all Committees. Kerry Davis pointed out that they approved the new Committees and Chairman at the last Board Meeting. Mayor Black said he was fine with that but thought he kept them the same and not the Chairman. Mayor Black stated to make things move along that he would just appoint Brenda Williams. He asked Brenda Williams if she wanted to be Chairman and she stated that since no one else did she would.

- Motion was made by Kerry Davis, seconded by Wally Abernathy, to approve the appointment of Brenda Williams as the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

No questions on the motion.

Voting on the motion: Davis – Yea Abernathy – Yea Tamburello – Yea G.W. Scott – Yea Brenda Williams - Present –

4 Yeas and 1 Present - Motion passed

- The Mayor opened the discussion on if the Village Board wanted to have a 4th of July Celebration. Points of interest are as follows:
 - It was asked what dollar figures we were looking at. Mayor Black stated it would be about \$35,000.
 - The event would last all day. There would be booths, food, a tractor ride and various other fun things for kids.
 - The funds would come out of the Hotel/Motel Fund.
 - The Celebration would be on July 5th and we get 25% more fireworks for having it that day. If it rains we could have it on Saturday or Sunday.
 - It was stated that we had time and everyone was getting anxious. The Mayor understood and that it is why he brought it to the Board.
 - There was already a meeting to come up with a preliminary cost estimate and the Mayor thought it would be a good idea to have more meeting and include Pam MacDaniel, Jim Bivens and Phyllis Scott.
 - Kerry Davis brought up that in 2009 the Village did not have fireworks which disappointed him. He stated that in 2008-09 that the Village took a big hit. That people were losing their jobs and homes. The Village had to cut spending and the goal was to keep the Village running and keep the workers working. He stated that it was not a good decision for the Board to fire off \$30,000 in fireworks during this crunch even though they had the money in the Hotel/Motel Fund. The Moose stepped up and the Village donated to their fireworks display. He appreciated the Moose stepping up during that time. Kerry Davis mentioned that we needed time to assess our financial base before we could make a determination. We might have the money but we do not know yet. He said it was more than just fireworks because we needed to think about the security, overtime pay and other items that will cost money on top of the \$30,000.
 - Questions came up about the additional costs and maybe going smaller. That if the organizations participate the keep what they

make. The discussion continued on ways to cut costs similar to what the Moose did.

- Kerry Davis was more than willing to meet with the Fireworks members and the Board to see if this could be possible.
- Scott Miller brought up the idea of sending out donation letters to vendors of the Village and businesses in town. He stated that when he was at the Moose that he almost raised all the money for the fireworks using this method.
- Mayor Black wanted to know if this was something that we would want to pursue. Kerry Davis agreed we should pursue but not get held on a certain cost figure.
- Kerry Davis mentioned that the Village Fireworks Display started out small but grew every year after that.
- It was determined that a meeting be setup and that anyone that wanted to be a part of it should attend.
- The discussion moved to the subject about the money being there. It was determined that the money may be there but did we want to spend it on this. It was also stated that we did not have to have a \$30,000 show but smaller just to start it up so people would be glad that we have it. It was stated that this would be a good thing for the Community.

- A motion was made by Kerry Davis., seconded by Brenda Williams, at 7:54pm, to go into closed session for personnel matters pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 2.

No questions on the motion.

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

A motion was made by Kerry Davis., seconded by Brenda Williams, to reconvene the meeting at 8:15pm.

No questions on the motion.

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

- Motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by G.W. Scott, to bring Linda Peters back to work effective March 31, 2014.

No questions on the motion.

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

Adjournment

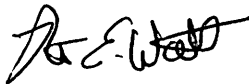
There was no additional business to bring before the Board. A motion was made by Kerry Davis., seconded by Ron Tamburello., to adjourn the meeting.

No questions on the motion.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Watt", written in a cursive style.

Rob Watt
Village Clerk