



# Village of Caseyville

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## SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES August 6, 2014

### Call to Order:

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

The Special Board Meeting of the Village of Caseyville was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Leonard Black. The meeting was held on Wednesday, May 21, 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; Brenda Williams, G.W. Scott and Ron Tamburello.

Absent: Rick Casey, Jr.

Others Present: Mayor Leonard Black, Superintendent of Public Works, Brian Rader, Interim Chief Scott Miller, Village Attorney Mike Gras and Clerk Rob Watt.

### Old Business

None

### Citizen's Input

- Before the Mayor opened the floor for Citizen's Input, he gave the floor to Attorney Mike Gras to explain why we are having the Special Board Meeting. Attorney Gras informed the people that we are here to decide on the Caseyville Waste Transfer Station, LLC's application for a waste transfer station inside the Village of Caseyville. He informs the public about the hearing held on May 29, 2014 and how there have been public comments since that hearing. He states that the Board Members are going to be making their decision based on that public record as it exists to this point. He said that since we have Citizen's Input on the Agenda, that the Board will allow them to give their comments. He goes over the instructions that the court reporter gave before the meeting started. He states that the Board will probably not respond to the public comments directly and will make their decision

tonight. He lets the audience know that the Board's decision will be based solely on the record and not any new comments made her tonight. Comments can be made but will not be taken into consideration for tonight's decision. Attorney Gras states that when the Board makes their decision it will be pursuant to the statute 415 ILCS 5/39.2, which gives the 9 design criteria to consider when reaching their decision on this issue.

- Canteen Township Supervisor Norman Miller addresses the Board with a few points that he wants to touch as it applies to the Caseyville Waster Transfer Station since it has been two months since the hearing. He thanks the Board Members that showed up for that hearing to hear what they had to say. His first issue is that there were 10 criteria and none of them were met. His second issue was that a traffic study was done on that road. He hopes that the Board looked at the traffic study and that they had a chance to go down there to see what is going on. He mentions that most people do not know that road is the only thoroughfare that handles all the bus traffic from East St. Louis School District. He states all the buses come down Bunkum Road at different hours for different programs. He states that with all the extra traffic it will throw off all their programs, that they are not going to have babysitters at home on time, they are not going to there at home for lunch because there is going to be traffic problems. He states that Bunkum Road has the most traffic in Canteen Township. Mr. Miller says he didn't know if the Board was looking at the school buses when they were thinking about this but it is an important to them. Mr. Miller goes over the problems that come with this type of project. They were:
  - The smell that wasn't there before.
  - Rodent problem that wasn't there before.
  - Trash flying out of the trash trucks and no intent by anyone to clean it up.
  - Resident complaints about how busy Bunkum Road is and will be.
  
- Mr. Miller discusses the issues that this will cause Canteen Township as it applies to the route that the trash trucks will take through their Township. He further states that the traffic study shows that the trash trucks cannot make the turn and will be turning into on-coming traffic. He hopes that each Board Member looked at the traffic study and the packet and he'll leave it at that.

**New Business:**

- Kerry Davis asked Attorney Mike Gras to clarify the 10 point criteria from the statute. Mike Gras makes the clarification from the statute to include a paragraph in the statute that he read and agreed could be used as the 10<sup>th</sup> point.
- Wally Abernathy asks why the Board was not given the information about the statute prior to this meeting. Mike Gras states that the statute had been quoted in the application and the record.
- Mayor Black asks the Board if they need more time to decide or to make comments. Ron Tamburello asks if the Board had any rebuttals for Mr. Norman Miller's concerns. Attorney Mike Gras informs Mr. Tamburello that we are not taking comments tonight in our decision. Ron Tamburello states that he thought since the Canteen Township Supervisor was here that we might have a rebuttal on that part of it. Attorney Gras states that Mr. Miller had submitted something for the record.
- Motion was made by Wally Abernathy, seconded by G.W. Scott, to accept the Caseyville Waste Transfer Station.

No questions on the motion.

**Voting on the motion:** G.W. Scott - Yea, Wally Abernathy - Yea, Ron Tamburello – Yea, Brenda Williams – Nay, Kerry Davis – Yea

**4 Yeas - 1 Nay - Motion Passed.**

- Attorney Mike Gras states that the decision on the Caseyville Waste Transfer Station has to be in writing with the reasons. He states that the reason could be that the criteria in the statute have been complied with. Mike Gras lets the Board know that they need to have their decision in writing with the reasons and could authorize the Mayor to sign that letter. He informs the Board that they could give their reasons for accepting the application. Mayor Black asks if the Board has any reasons to grant the application. Wally Abernathy states that it would be a good thing for Caseyville. He states that we have had all kinds of traffic down there to include traffic from Henderson Trucking. He states that there were never any questions on Henderson Trucking being down there and that no one asked the Village if they could be down there or not. He states there were no discussions over the roads or anything at that time. Ron Tamburello states that the place down there is more industrial and that more industries are moving down there. He states that there is going to be traffic and that

the Village is going to have to work on upgrading that area in the future. He states that there was traffic with the trucking company when he was Police Chief that there wasn't a major problem but that was a lot of traffic back then. Kerry Davis mentions that we are supposed to be upgrading Bunkum Road and the Mayor states that it should be happening shortly. G.W. Scott states that they are replacing the road all the way from 89<sup>th</sup> street to 37<sup>th</sup> Street. Mayor Black states that there is heavy equipment going down there now for which they already know that is heavier than the trash trucks. Attorney Mike Gras lets the Board know that the reasons need to mirror the criteria from the statutes and goes over them briefly. Kerry Davis states that his honest opinion is that the Village is in financial dire straits, that this is a revenue source that the Village will certainly use and that we want to be good neighbors to surrounding communities but we need to do what has to be done to protect the interests of Village residents. He states that a budget was passed in which \$190,000 had to be cut that stopped the Village from buying necessary equipment and other items they needed. He again states this is revenue the Village needs and lets the audience know that we have ordinances passed concerning trash companies and that he hopes that the Board agrees that the Police Department will uphold these ordinances if the trash trucks are not in compliance. Kerry Davis states that we will ensure that the Transfer station complies with the agreement as it applies to covered trucks, the smell and trash not escaping into other communities or other people's property. Attorney Mike Gras asked the Board if they saw any issues with the facility has what is necessary to accommodate the waste needs of the area intended? He states that it was part of the application. Discussion was made and it was deemed a negative impact.

- Motion was made by Kerry Davis, seconded by Ron Tamburello, to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter with the decision of the Village Board and the reasons why they accepted the Caseyville Waste Transfer Station.

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 Ron Tamburello., seconded by G.W. Scott., to adjourn the meeting.

No questions on the motion.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Watt', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rob Watt  
Village Clerk