



Village of Caseyville

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES of June 19th, 2019

G.W. SCOTT, SR.
Mayor

LOLA J. CLINE
Village Clerk

WALTER "WALLY" ABERNATHY
Trustee

JOHN BUCKLEY
Trustee

KENT LUEBBERS
Trustee

RON SANFTLEBEN
Trustee

GARY WASSER
Trustee

TONY ALVAREZ
Trustee

BRIAN RADER
Supt. of Public Works

THOMAS COPPOTELLI
Chief of Police

KEVIN KAUFHOLD
Attorney

Call to Order:

The Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Caseyville was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor G. W. Scott Sr., in Council Chambers at 909 S. Main, Caseyville, Illinois

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer.

Roll Call:

Trustees: Ron Sanfleben, Gary Wasser, Tony Alvarez, Kent Luebbers, John Buckley, Wally Abernathy, Village Clerk, Lola Cline, Mayor G.W. Scott Sr., and Attorney Kevin Kaufhold

Absent: None

Others Present: Police Chief, Tom Coppotelli

Minutes:

A motion was made by Wally Abernathy and seconded by Ron Sanfleben to approve the Regular Board Meeting, Committee Meeting and Executive Meeting on May 15th, 2019 and to approve the Regular Board Meeting, Committee Meeting and Executive Meeting on June 5th, 2019.

No additions or corrections

Voting on Motion: - 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Mayor's Appointment

A motion was made by John Buckley and seconded by Wally Abernathy to approve the appointment of Randy McCallister to the Zoning Board of Appeals

No additions or corrections

Voting on Motion: - 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

A motion was made by John Buckley and seconded by Ron Sanfleben to approve the appointment of Tony Alvarez as the FOIA Compliance Officer

No additions or corrections

Voting on Motion: - 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Citizen's Input:

Deb Doughty of Hillwood, in Caseyville, addressed the Board on abandon houses at 624 and 628 Hill Road and the high grasses.

Mayor Scott Sr, stated that the houses were on the list to condemn.

Attorney Kaufhold, we can cut the grass and put a lien on the property before the demolition process. It is private property but we are authorized to do the minimal maintenance on it. Under the State Law we can do that. We don't like going on private property. So there is no land owner active. The most expedient cost effective way is to take it for back taxes. But that does take longer but it gives us total authority over the property. If it's middle summer we can cut the grass, and put a lien on the property for grass cutting. We usually don't get the lien money back, it goes into foreclosure.

Deb Doughty, I have called and made a complaint with Mr. Crow, that at 14 Hillwood a full tractor and equipment trailer has been in his front yard. He has been moving it around, are there any ordinances on that?

Mayor Scott Sr, Gary is on vacation this week and will be back next Monday.

Deb Doughty informed the Board that at 12 Hillwood on the side of the road there is a pile trees, and I think they are expecting the city to pick them up. The owner keeps adding to it, for over a month now and the pile is getting bigger, bigger and bigger.

Mayor Scott Sr, stated that he has not seen that, but will take a look at it.

Deb Doughty, what is going on with the Freedom of Information Act, why are we changing the things with the FOIA's?

Attorney Kaufhold, the legal is that the Board is the one that is responsible for the Village Freedom of Information Compliance Policy. They set it by ordinance and it can be changed by ordinance. Under State Statue it is the village Board that determines who and how and what conditions. If the Village Board believes there is a compliance problem, they have a right to change the process and that is what is going on here.

Deb Doughty, asked if it was getting so overwhelming with people asking for things?

Attorney Kaufhold, we have a lot of obligations under the FOIA to provide the documents but there is a certain process to do that. The County has a full-time FOIA Compliance Officer.

Deb Doughty do we have to release this, do we have to do this?

Attorney Kaufhold we do have to release public documents and there is about twenty (20) exemptions, under State Law. We are supposed to reply within five (5) days or a ten (10) day period beyond that. There are some records we are not allowed to give out, because of personal identifiable that is too sensitive. The Board is responsible for that, under State Law. So the Board sets the policy by ordinance and they can by ordinance, change it to be sure it is compliant by We have to give out documents, but we do have to make sure that they are appropriately given out.

Deb Doughty, are we charging for these?

Attorney Kaufhold, we can charge minimal amounts but it never recaptures the cost. We have to comply with the process and it has got to be fully documented in a timely fashion. The Board has the obligation to do that, not anybody else. We receive a very little bit per page but that doesn't recapture the cost. The Board has to be the one in charge of that, so that is what is occurring now. The Board is making sure that ordinance is changed, so if there is any compliance issues, it will be resolved.

Deb Doughty, do police reports have to be given out too?

Chief Coppotelli, yes, under certain conditions.

Deb Doughty, that's all.

MK Dashke, informed the Board that on Saturday, June 22nd, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m., the library will be having a Local Author Market at the Caseyville Public Library.

Old Business:

Administration/Communications/Technology – Tony Alvarez

- Motion made by Tony Alvarez and seconded by Gary Wasser to approve an Agreement between the Village of Caseyville, Illinois and Nicole Guile as the Village Treasurer

No additions or corrections

Voting on Motion: 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Finance/TIF/Grants/Insurance – Ron Sanfleben

- Motion made by Ron Sanfleben and seconded by John Buckley to approve **Resolution #19-23**, Providing for the Expenditure of Tax Increment Financing funds for French Village Fire District for \$48,324.96

No additions or corrections

Voting on Motion: 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

- Motion made by Ron Sanfleben and seconded by John Buckley to table **Resolution #19-24**, Providing for the Expenditure of Tax Increment Financing funds for Caseyville Fire Department for \$35, 791.40, we need to re-word it
No additions or corrections
Voting on Motion: 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Ordinance – Kent Luebbers

- Motion made by Kent Luebbers and seconded by Wally Abernathy to approve **Ordinance #2019-09**, An Ordinance Amending the Village Freedom of Information Act
No additions or corrections
Voting on Motion: 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Police – John Buckley

- Motion made by John Buckley and seconded by Wally Abernathy and to table the purchase of a Police Vehicle if and when one becomes available through State Bids, from the appropriate funds
No additions or corrections
Voting on Motion: 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Public Works/Building – Wally Abernathy

- Motion made by Wally Abernathy and seconded by John Buckley to approve **Resolution 19-22**, the purchase of a 2019 F250 4X4 Crew Cab, 6 foot bed for \$44,680, funds from the money left over on grant for equipment and appropriate funds
No additions or corrections
Voting on Motion: 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Correspondence:

- None

Approval of Bills – Ron Sanfleben

- Motion was made by Ron Sanfleben, seconded by Wally Abernathy to authorize paying the bills and the money drawn from the proper accounts.
No additions or corrections
Voting on Motion: 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Chief of Police/Tom Coppotelli:

- Fishing Derby was a success, Mr Crane said it was the best he ever had. We had over 60 participants. Want to thank the 100,000 Miles Per Hour Club for the food and preparation. A special thank you to Mr Crane and Michelle Schroeder for all their hard work. Had a lot of donations this year.
- Update on cameras in cars, they are installed and we will roll out live on Monday, with training on them all week
- Officer Schroeder has come up with an idea of having movies in the park. There are other communities doing this. The Police department will sponsor the first one on July 12th, and hopefully the Fire Department or VFW will sponsor a future one. Family friendly, no alcohol.

Attorney/Kevin Kaufhold

- Myself, the Mayor, Nicole and one of my associates sat down with a business owner in town about a repayment plan, an old loan that goes back ten (10) years on one of the TIF Districts. We need to find some documents of what was done fifteen (15) to twenty (20) years ago. We have a tentative agreement and working on a formal agreement. Hopefully will have something on the matter in thirty (30) days.

Adjournment:

- A motion was made by John Buckley and seconded by Gary Wasser to Adjourn and the meeting and go into Committee Meeting.

No additions or corrections

Voting on Motion: 6 Ayes – Motion Passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by



Lola J Cline

Caseyville Village Clerk