

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROOM
AT 9500 W. BELMONT AVENUE
OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN PARK, ILLINOIS
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2013

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** President Pedersen called to order the special meeting of the Committee of the Whole at 7:55 p.m.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Deputy Village Clerk Roberta Johnson called the roll: (Present) President Pedersen, Trustees John Johnson, Bill Ruhl, Karen Special, Andy Ybarra and Cheryl McLean
Also present: Ron Heller, Comptroller, Lisa Anthony (Health & Human Resource Director), Frank Gieashamer (Treasurer), Steve Iovinelli (Fire Chief), Joe Lauro (Utilities Director), Mike Witz (Police Chief), Phil Ruch (Deputy Police Chief), Dennis Wagner (I.T. Director)

III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. None

IV. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Finance and Special Events

Ron Heller discussed the 10-year infrastructure improvement and assets study that looked at all infrastructures and found that we are not up to code. Village will need to spend over \$287,403 million dollars over the next 10 years to get the infrastructure up to standards. Joe Lauro discussed some of the items that need to be upgraded. President Pedersen discussed the water infrastructure and the need to prioritize. Sewer lines were discussed and Joe Lauro explained the sewer structure was failing somewhere in the Village on a weekly basis. A long discussion ensued regarding the present infrastructure and the cost of upgrading.

Ron Heller explained the water rates and the current cash flow deficit in that fund. The Village is currently underpricing the water and sewer services that Chicago charges the Village for water and that needs to be adjusted.

Discussion was held on having a referendum to issue bonds for the required infrastructure improvements and the need to increase water rates. There is a significant water loss from the water bought from Chicago that needs to be addressed and fixed. Old meters may not be registering the correct water amount used.

John Johnson stated the need to inform residents on how to understand unit rates on water and going out to civic groups and organizations to educate the residents on water issues.

Human resources, Sustainable Practices and Senior Services

President Pedersen stated the need to go into executive session for matters of Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Certain Employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), Salary Schedules for one or More Classes of Employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), and Collective Bargaining Negotiations Matters 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)

Lisa Anthony presented an Employee Hiring Analysis Criteria and Performance Evaluation and that it could be used for hiring and evaluating employees. Discussion was held on the program and how it would be used when hiring new employees.

Lisa Anthony announced in the fall the promoting of the recycling program and to encourage more recycling. President Pedersen discussed encouraging mulching and/or composting of yard grass.

V. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Ms. McLean seconded by Mr. Johnson to recess to Closed Session for matters of Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Certain Employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (1), Salary Schedules for one or More Classes of Employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (2), and Collective Bargaining Negotiations Matters 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (2) at 9:14 p.m.

Roll Call: Ayes – Ms. Special, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Petersen, Mr. Ruhl, Mr. Ybarra and Ms. McLean.
Nays – 0. Abstain – 0. Absent – 0.

RETURNED FROM CLOSED SESSION AT 10:08 P.M.

Deputy Village Clerk, Roberta Johnson, stated to let the record reflect that all members returned

No action was taken in Closed Session

Discussion was held on hiring an I.T. Director to replace the current director. Dennis Wagner will work with Lisa Anthony to find appropriate candidates for the position.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Trustee Ruhl seconded by Trustee entire Board to adjourn at 10:11 p.m.
Voice vote carried.

ATTEST

Roberta Johnson, Deputy Village Clerk

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