

**VILLAGE OF CARPENTERSVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 2, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Those present for roll call were Trustees Hinz, Sigwalt, Ramirez Sliwinski, Ritter, Teeter and President Sarto. Also present were Village Manager Anderson, Assistant Village Manager Wucki-Rossbach, Attorney Rhodes, Fire Chief Schuldt, Police Chief Neumann, Village Engineer Marquardt, Public Works Director Cole, Community Development Director McCammack, Finance Director Happ and Economic Development/Special Projects Coordinator Murphy.

Trustee Humpfer subsequently arrived at 8:12 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance followed.

INVOCATION

Pastor Phil Zilinski from Fox Valley Baptist Church provided this evening's Invocation.

PROCLAMATIONS, CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS, AND AWARDS

Proclamation for Save A Life Month

President Sarto read aloud a Proclamation declaring September, 2008 as Save a Life Month in the Village of Carpentersville to support providing school age children and adults with life saving knowledge and techniques.

President Sarto stated the benefits this program will provide and the efforts that have been made by the Village to implement this program that is the first community in Kane County to take part in it.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AND ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS

Oath of Office for Police Commander Earl Dean Stiegemeier

Police Chief Neumann introduced Sergeant Stiegemeier and his family. Chief Neumann discussed the many contributions, qualifications and responsibilities Sergeant Stiegemeier has provided over the past 31 years that he has been with the Village and the dedicated service he will continue to provide in his new position.

Village Clerk Wilde administered the Oath of Office to Commander Stiegemeier.

Appointment of Ms. Julie Vaccaro and Ms. Bonnie Lipprandt to the Carpentersville Improvement Committee

President Sarto requested the Board's approval to appoint Ms. Vaccaro and Mrs. Lipprandt to the Carpentersville Improvement Committee.

Trustee Sigwalt moved to approve the appointments of Ms. Vaccaro and Mrs. Lipprandt to the Carpentersville Improvement Committee. Trustee Teeter seconded. Vote was unanimous.

President Sarto recognized the new appointees who were present this evening.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Village Residents/Business Owners

1. Karl Burkholder, 117 Austin; a resident who discussed details of events that occurred recently in his neighborhood relative to noise enforcement issues.
2. John Failla, 1305 Bunker Lane; a long-time resident who questioned the status of the Golfview Highlands Unit 8 Reconstruction Project that was due to begin earlier this year. He discussed the issues he has had with street repair work completed in his neighborhood and the manner in which the Village has addressed issues that he previously brought forward.
3. Dennis Carr, 26 Fir Street; a resident who expressed disappointment in the manner issues are addressed by certain Board members.
4. Doug Marks, 6219 Providence Drive; a resident who expressed concern over the Ordinance on this evening's agenda that proposes to increase water and sewer rates. While he understands the need for additional revenue to repair the failing infrastructure of the Village, the Board needs to be cognizant of the hardship the residents are experiencing with the current economy.
5. Paul Calusinski, 528 Apache Avenue; a resident who discussed recent events attempting to demand that he appear in court relative to an action pending against a Village Board member. Mr. Calusinski further discussed his ongoing issues with code violations and what he believes is an inconsistency in enforcement.

President Sarto requested a visitor to stop their picture taking. There is an Ordinance in place that prohibits picture taking in the Board Room unless prior permission has been granted by the President; no such permission had been granted.

6. Daniel Wozniak, 209 Fairway; a long time resident who commended those participating in property clean up efforts of vacant properties throughout the Village who take time out of their personal lives for the betterment of the community.
7. Kent Baldwin, 45 Wren Road; a resident and Park Committee member who invited the public to come and support the community by attending the upcoming Cyclocross event.

Non-Resident Visitors

1. Jay Radke, Lake Marian; an area resident who discussed the benefits of the Save A Life Program and the program that is currently in place of those volunteers that have been working tirelessly to clean up the Village. He stated how these efforts and the additional assistance that will be provided to projects lend support to the quality of life within the community.
2. Peter Bernaeyge, 34W969 Boncosky; President of Pete's A Towing who requested the Village Board to postpone voting upon the agenda item this evening authorizing a two-year police towing contract with Schock's Towing Service and to direct the Chief of Police to reconsider the contract because of all the services Pete's A Towing provides.
3. Gloria Van Cleave, Lake Marian; an area resident who discussed the recent event relative to the attempt to serve a subpoena to the Village President.
4. Randy Schock, 998 American Way; owner of Schock's Towing who stated he was present this evening if there were any issues that needed to be addressed regarding the agenda item awarding the police towing contract to Schock's Towing.

5. Howard Schock, 990 American Way; who stated he was also present to discuss the police towing contract.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Sarto asked if any Board member wished to remove any item from the Consent Agenda. Trustee Teeter requested that Item G be removed and Trustee Ramirez Sliwinski requested that Item B be removed.

Trustee Teeter moved to approve the Consent Agenda to include A. Approval of the Bills totaling \$307,371.18; C. Request from Knights of Columbus to Conduct Charitable Solicitation; D. Ordinance Amending the Provision of the Carpentersville Municipal Code Regarding Traffic Regulations Along Miller Road; E. Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal of Items of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Carpentersville; and F. Request from You Can Make It Outreach to Conduct Charitable Solicitation. Trustee Sigwalt seconded. Vote: 6 – ayes (Hinz, Sigwalt, Ramirez Sliwinski, Ritter, Teeter, Sarto) 0 – nay. Motion passed.

Trustee Teeter moved to approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of July 15, 2008. Trustee Ritter seconded. Vote: 6 – ayes (Humpfer, Hinz, Sigwalt, Ritter, Teeter, Sarto) 0 – nay. 1 – abstain (Ramirez Sliwinski, due to her absence that evening). Motion passed.

Trustee Teeter moved to approve the Request to Approve Co-Sponsorship of Kane County Recycling Event. Trustee Ramirez Sliwinski seconded.

Trustee Teeter removed this item to provide details to the residents of the benefits of the Village's participation in this event. She stated the event is scheduled for September 27th and discussed the recycling services that are provided by Kane County for those items that cannot be discarded for normal trash pick-up; electronics, hazardous waste and other such items. Assistant Village Manager Wucki-Rossbach provided additional details of the program and the contribution that is received from Arc Disposal that is passed through to the County for providing this service.

Vote on Motion: 7 – ayes (Humpfer, Hinz, Sigwalt, Ramirez Sliwinski, Ritter, Teeter, Sarto) 0 – nay. Motion passed.

REPORTS OF MANAGER, OFFICERS, COMMITTEES AND STAFF

Manager's Report

Manager Anderson had no report this evening but requested that Village Engineer Marquardt provide an update on the Golfview Highlands Unit 8 project.

Engineer Marquardt provided an overview of the project's status and expected timeline; a bid opening is scheduled for late September and bid award recommendation will be presented for Board's consideration in October. He briefly discussed details of the project's progress thus far.

Trustee Hinz questioned the comments that were made earlier through Public Comment of East Dundee residents' involvement in the progress of the project. Engineer Marquardt stated there was concern expressed and discussed how they were addressed by Village staff and consultants ensuring those residents that no redirection of stormwater runoff would take place.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Rhodes had no report this evening.

Audit and Finance Commission

Trustee Humpfer had the following report from the August 27, 2008 meeting:

- The Commission's next meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2008.
- He discussed the Commission's difficult task of recommending the increase in water and sewer rates that will be considered by the Board this evening; if approved this evening, the increase will be reflective of water consumption and sewer services beginning October 1, 2008. He provided details of the need for this increase to sustain operations for continued water and sewer services at the level currently provided.
- The Commission continued to review revenue options and expense savings to fund the debt of the bond that was issued recently to enable the Capital Improvement Program to continue. Trustee Humpfer discussed funding of this debt and options the Commission is considering.
- The Commission considered an item proposed by President Sarto regarding the creation of a Parks and Recreation Department of which President Sarto will discuss in more detail. The Commission requested that Manager Anderson obtain an accounting of how revenue that is taxed by Dundee Township Park District is expended in the Village.

Park Committee

Trustee Ramirez Sliwinski had the following report:

- The Committee met on August 22nd to prepare information that was provided to the Village Board regarding the Cyclocross Event.
- The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m.

Stormwater Management Commission

Trustee Teeter stated the Commission has not yet had a meeting; however, the Commission is awaiting the updates on the reconfiguration of the flood plains. Engineer Marquardt had indicated he should be receiving responses from the concerns that were filed with the County; once these have been received, he will share this information with Trustee Teeter. She discussed how certain stormwater issues have been addressed and the studies that will be conducted by the Village to address issues in certain areas.

Carpentersville Improvement Committee

Chairperson Schultz had the following report from the August 27th meeting:

- She stated that guests were present from area banks and churches who expressed interested in volunteering.
- The Committee discussed the continued recruitment for volunteers and the purchase price of t-shirts for members and volunteers.
- The Committee received suggestions for their volunteer rules that will hopefully be finalized by the next meeting.
- Discussion continued regarding the Committee's current project, which is lawn maintenance of vacant homes. This week, an additional three yards were cleaned up and one maintained that was

recently mowed. She noted the positive encouragement that is received by residents in these neighborhoods. She thanked those who participate ensuring the continued success of this project.

- The next meeting is scheduled for October 1st at 6:30 p.m.

Trustee Reports

Trustee Humpfer had the following report:

- He attended the CIC meeting and noted the new visitors that expressed interest.
- He worked 6 – 8 hours on each of the past two Saturdays assisting the CIC in the cleaning up and maintaining yards of vacant homes. He discussed the intensive work that is completed for the betterment of the Village.

Trustee Hinz had the following report:

- He commended Commander Stiegemeier for his promotion and thanked the new appointees to the Carpentersville Improvement Committee; all of which the Village should be proud of.
- Because of job commitments, Trustee Hinz apologized for his lack of support the last couple weeks to the Carpentersville Improvement Committee and their ongoing project.

Trustee Sigwalt had the following report:

- She participated in the CIC clean up project this past Saturday; she discussed the positive encouragement that is received by the residents in the area.
- She congratulated Commander Stiegemeier on his appointment and welcomed the two members to the CIC.
- Trustee Sigwalt attended the Fox Valley Citizens for Legal Immigration meeting and remains active in learning what can be done to move this effort forward.
- She also attended the Association for Legal Americans meeting in Elgin that Elgin Police Chief Lisa Womack spoke at. Trustee Sigwalt will forward many questions she has to Manager Anderson and Police Chief Neumann.
- She also attended the Audit and Finance Commission meeting.
- Trustee Sigwalt attended National Night Out.
- She will be attending the Lake in the Hills Police Academy, which is a ten week program for residents that teach police procedures. At one time it was offered in the Village and requests it be considered once again at budget time.

Trustee Ramirez Sliwinski had the following report:

- She could not participate in the Carpentersville Improvement Committee project but had received a call from Craig Martin, Code Enforcement Supervisor, that a home had been tagged for graffiti. Trustee Ramirez Sliwinski sent a volunteer who is always willing to help, Mr. Dave Reece, who painted the house.
- She attended the Democratic National Convention.

Trustee Ritter had the following report:

- He discussed what a difficult decision it was to increase the Water and Sewer Rates. He noted the ability for citizens to become members or participate at the Audit and Finance Commission meetings.
- Trustee Ritter provided details of pictures that Mr. Radke had distributed earlier through Public Comment of before and after photos of some of the homes the Carpentersville Cares Committee worked on. He discussed benefits this project provides to the community.
- Trustee Ritter addressed allegations that Mr. Calusinski discussed earlier and reiterated that Mr. Calusinski states half truths and lies and the items he discusses are pathetic. Trustee Ritter provided details of those allegations and stated he has never received a citation for a code violation and questioned if Mr. Calusinski has addressed any of his violations. Trustee Ritter questioned where Mr. Calusinski receives his information and stated it is becoming tiresome to have to defend himself when he has done nothing wrong.

Trustee Teeter had the following report:

- She congratulated Commander Stiegemeier on his promotion and briefly discussed his past contributions to the community and commendations he has received.
- She also congratulated the new members to the Carpentersville Improvement Committee. While she is unable to participate on Saturdays because of job commitments, she adopted a house in her neighborhood that she maintains on her own time. She noted that residents are becoming involved and taking care of their neighborhoods.

President Sarto had the following report:

- Attempts have been made to meet with ComEd to address the unsightly appearance of substations within the community; he has been advised that funds are available for landscaping in and around certain of their locations. Through the generosity of Mr. Tom Roeser, the substation located at the corner of Washington and Spring Streets will be improved. A meeting will take place on September 12th between staff, President Sarto and Mr. Roeser to discuss this improvement in further detail.
- On September 12th at 4:00 p.m., there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Raceway Woods Silo. He encouraged everyone to attend.
- President Sarto discussed the Parks and Recreation Committee that he has requested be considered to improve the aesthetics of Village parks and parkways. Before this moves forward, he believes the Village needs to meet with Park District officials to review those opportunities that may be available that the Village is not utilizing. He commended the Public Works Department for their efforts to improve the Village and is confident that more improvement will be completed. He also commended those volunteers that are working to improve the community.
- President Sarto also congratulated Commander Stiegemeier on his promotion and commended Police Chief Neumann and the Police Department for their work to the community.

OLD BUSINESS

Consideration of Chicago Cyclocross and Oktoberfest Events: (a) Request to Use Carpenter Park and Carpenter Boulevard on Sunday, October 19, 2008, for the Oktoberfest Event; (b) Request to Determine Whether or Not the Chicago Cyclocross Event is Being Held in Conjunction with the Oktoberfest Event; and (c) Request to Approve or Deny the Issuance of a Temporary Liquor License for the Chicago Cyclocross Event, Based on the Determination as to

Whether or Not the Chicago Cyclocross Event is Being Held in Conjunction with the Oktoberfest Event

Trustee Teeter moved to consider the Chicago Cyclocross and Oktoberfest Events: (a) Request to Use Carpenter Park and Carpenter Boulevard on Sunday, October 19, 2008, for the Oktoberfest Event; (b) Request to Determine Whether or Not the Chicago Cyclocross Event is Being Held in Conjunction with the Oktoberfest Event; and (c) Request to Approve or Deny the Issuance of a Temporary Liquor License for the Chicago Cyclocross Event, Based on the Determination as to Whether or Not the Chicago Cyclocross Event is Being Held in Conjunction with the Oktoberfest Event. Trustee Ritter seconded.

Manager Anderson noted that each request may have to be considered individually. The first consideration needs to be made to determine if approval should be granted to use Carpenter Park and Carpenter Boulevard for the Oktoberfest Event on October 19, 2008. If approval is granted, then consideration can be made to determine if the Cyclocross Event would be held in conjunction with the Oktoberfest Event and then to determine if a temporary liquor license would be issued.

Trustee Ritter concurred to approve the request to join both events and noted the detailed information of the events that were provided for the Board's review and consideration. After brief discussion, the Board concurred this would be a positive benefit to the community.

Trustee Ramirez Sliwinski thanked every member of the Parks Committee for their contribution to the report that was provided and to Assistant Manager Wucki-Rossbach for her assistance.

President Sarto discussed the many events that would be included on that day and the food vendors and businesses that are participating. Trustee Ritter stated he believes the liquor license should also be approved to be issued allowing this event every opportunity to succeed; with all events taking place, this will be a nice family event.

Brief discussion followed regarding details of the budget, including the expense incurred by having police officers present. Attorney Rhodes read aloud the provision that allows for a temporary liquor license to be issued based upon that the liquor license is part of an event that is being done in conjunction with a Village event. He provided details of the report that outlines certain items that would be required for this temporary liquor license to be issued, including dram shop insurance, by the carrier; the Parks Committee would still need to ensure that everything with respect to the liquor license is overseen to lessen the potential of any liability to the Village.

Trustee Humpfer questioned what the roll call would be voting on. Attorney Rhodes stated the motion is for consideration of all three requests; if all Board members are in agreement, all three items can be voted upon. He added the Ordinance requires the event be considered by the Board for approval; ultimately, the temporary liquor license would be issued by the Liquor Commissioner who is the President.

Vote on Motion: 7 – ayes (Humpfer, Hinz, Sigwalt, Ramirez Sliwinski, Ritter, Teeter, Sarto) 0 – nay.
Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of a Resolution Allocating Roadway and Water Main Contributions from the Binnie Randall Commons Subdivision

Trustee Teeter moved to pass a Resolution Allocating Roadway and Water Main Contributions from the Binnie Randall Commons Subdivision. Trustee Hinz seconded.

Manager Anderson stated as indicated by approval of the Second Amendment to the Annexation Agreement between the Village and Binnie Randall LLC providing that certain obligations related to roadway and water main improvements would be satisfied by payments to the Village in certain amounts in lieu of actually completing the improvements. Per discussion and recommendation by the Audit and Finance Commission, these payments would be allocated to fund debt service expenditures; request is made to adopt a Resolution that would allocate these contributions as recommended.

Vote on Motion: 7 – ayes (Humpfer, Hinz, Sigwalt, Ramirez Sliwinski, Ritter, Teeter, Sarto) 0 – nay. Motion passed.

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing a Two-Year Police Towing Contract with Schock’s Towing Service, Inc.

Trustee Sigwalt moved to pass a Resolution Authorizing a Two-Year Police Towing Contract with Schock’s Towing Service, Inc. Trustee Hinz seconded.

Manager Anderson provided details of the review process of the towing contract that primarily addresses the needs of the Police Department; approximately every two years the contract goes out to bid for this service. This year, two proposals were received and reviewed; based upon the information received, the Police Department is recommending the contract be awarded to Schock’s Towing Service, Inc. and the Resolution to award this be adopted. He noted that representatives from both Schock’s Towing and Pete’s A Towing, who provided the other proposal, are present this evening.

After his review of both bids, President Sarto discussed the benefits that Pete’s A Towing has provided over the past 18 years and the meritorious award they recently received from the Fire Department for their life saving techniques they had administered through a severe accident. He believes the Village has been served well by Pete’s A Towing and he favors awarding contracts back to those companies that have shown good service to the community.

Police Chief Neumann provided details of the services the Police Department has received and have been pleased with from Pete’s A Towing; but recommendation is based upon the price that has been proposed and Mr. Schock has indicated they would provide the same level of service.

Brief discussion followed regarding concern over the services that have been provided and if the Village will continue to receive the same level of service, the response time to calls given the location of Schock’s Towing compared to Pete’s A Towing location and the impact the contract award will have to both companies.

While both companies are qualified and the Village appreciates the service that has been provided in the past by Pete’s A Towing, Trustee Humpfer stated the Police Department has responsibilities, including those relative to the budget, and he does not believe the Board should question the bidding process the Police Department went through to provide their recommendation. Attorney Rhodes provided details of the bidding process set forth in the Village’s Ordinance; the bid review and award is based upon specifications the department had indicated in the bid. He noted certain differences in the two proposals received and stated the Board’s responsibility is to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder. Discussion continued regarding certain details of both proposals submitted. President Sarto reiterated his concerns over changing companies at this time.

Vote on Motion: 5 – ayes (Humpfer, Hinz, Sigwalt, Ritter, Teeter) 2 – nay (Ramirez Sliwinski, Sarto). Motion passed.

Consideration of a Resolution Withdrawing from the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA)

Trustee Teeter moved to pass a Resolution Withdrawing from the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA). Trustee Ritter seconded.

In follow up to a recent discussion by the Village Board, Manager Anderson stated the Owens Group was chosen to be the Village's Insurance Broker and the Agreement with them was subsequently approved; before the Village can obtain commercial insurance they must withdraw from IRMA. He discussed those items that necessitate the Village withdrawing from IRMA and the benefits the Village could realize from coverage by a commercial insurance carrier.

Trustee Humpfer thanked IRMA for the service they had provided to the Village; but discussed the numerous benefits and added service the Village could receive from new insurance carriers.

President Sarto expressed concern over the Village leaving IRMA and discussed the events that led to this; the Village has many issues to address that a new insurance carrier could not be expected to address and he believes this is not a positive move.

Based upon Trustee Humpfer's request, Assistant Village Manager Wucki-Rossbach discussed the other communities that left IRMA and the numerous issues that were contributing factors. Trustee Humpfer stated he believes the Village had not received assistance in mitigating employee's risks and this service will have a positive effect and improve the number of claims submitted. President Sarto disagreed and discussion continued over the need and manner to improve the Village's losses due to claims. Trustee Sigwalt called the question. Assistant Manager Wucki-Rossbach discussed the services IRMA had provided to address these issues; she stated the Village is moving on to another carrier and is provided a fresh start with the ability to raise employee's awareness of rules and preventative measures.

Vote on Motion to Call Question: 7 – ayes (Humpfer, Hinz, Sigwalt, Ramirez Sliwinski, Ritter, Teeter, Sarto) 0 – nay. Motion passed.

Vote on Original Motion: 7 – ayes (Humpfer, Hinz, Sigwalt, Ramirez Sliwinski, Ritter, Teeter, Sarto) 0 – nay. Motion passed.

Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Carpentersville Municipal Code Regarding Water and Sewer Rates

Trustee Teeter moved to adopt an Ordinance Amending the Carpentersville Municipal Code Regarding Water and Sewer Rates. Trustee Sigwalt seconded.

Manager Anderson reiterated details of many discussions held by the Audit and Finance Commission who have recommended approval of an increase. This increase will be effective with the water that is consumed as of October 1, 2008 and be reflective with the January 1, 2009 billings. He noted this increase will place the Village at mid point with rates charged by surrounding communities.

Vote on Motion: 6 – ayes (Humpfer, Hinz, Sigwalt, Ritter, Teeter, Sarto) 1 – nay (Ramirez Sliwinski). Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Trustee Teeter moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Sigwalt seconded. Vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Wilde, Village Clerk