

1 **MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS**
2 **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**
3 **Held on September 28, 2009**

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5 The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, September 28, 2009,
6 at the Olympia Fields Village Hall and was called to order by President Jones at 7:30
7 P.M. The assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The Clerk called the roll.

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9 Present: Trustees – Gibson, Ormsby, Oliver, Pennington, Nale, and Meyers-Martin
10 President Linzey Jones
11 Village Clerk, Judi Kay Rangel
12 Village Administrator, David Mekarski

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14 Absent: None.

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16 **MINUTES:**

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18 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Ormsby to approve the Minutes**
19 **of September 14, 2009, as presented.**

20 **Voice Vote: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

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22 **BILLS FOR APPROVAL:**

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24 President Jones stated that he has Bills for Approval totaling \$100,129.79. The largest
25 portion of that is the standard payment to SouthCom in the amount of, approximately,
26 \$53,000.00.

27 **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to approve the**
28 **payment of bills for September 28, 2009, in the total amount of \$100,129.79.**

29 **Roll Call: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

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31 **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:**

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33 President Jones opened up Communications and Petitions at 7:31 P.M. He stated that he
34 was moving up a matter that is on the agenda under Public Safety.

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36 **PUBLIC SAFETY:**

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38 **Authorization for the Police Department to initiate a Police K-9 Program** – President
39 Jones stated that the Board was previously presented with information concerning this
40 matter. Chief Chudwin is here this evening to answer any questions that the Board may
41 have.

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43 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that at the last Board Meeting the Board discussed the
44 acquisition of a K-9 Unit for the Public Safety Committee of the Village of Olympia
45 Fields. At that time, the Board had requested that Chief Chudwin come to the Board
46 Meeting to explain some of the finer points of the K-9 Program.

1 Chief Chudwin stated that the K-9 Program is something that the Public Safety
2 Committee has been considering for the past two years. Officer Scott Metzger who was
3 present at the Board Meeting has been following through on a series of training exercises,
4 to determine whether or not this is a feasible activity from the operations standpoint at the
5 police department. The Chief and the Command Staff have looked at this in terms of the
6 time requirements and the fiscal issues, and the overall benefit as a crime fighting tool
7 and how it would benefit the Village. After the two-year study the conclusion is that this
8 is a positive step forward.

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10 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that at the last Board Meeting it was brought up that the
11 Chief wanted to move forward with this program rather quickly, rather than wait until the
12 next Budget year. She inquired of Chief Chudwin as to why it would be better for the
13 Board to move forward with this now.

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15 Chief Chudwin stated that the last training class for this year is going to be held at the end
16 of October. It is a six-week training class. The advantage is that at this time of the year, it
17 does not interfere with vacations and time off issues which would require overtime. The
18 Chief recommends that the Asset Forfeiture Funds be used for the acquisition of the dog.
19 The funds exist for the program now. The sooner the K-9 Unit is in operation, from a
20 public safety standpoint, the better the Village is served.

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22 President Jones inquired of Trustee Pennington from a fiscal standpoint, as to what he
23 thought about using the Asset Forfeiture Funds at this time. Trustee Pennington stated
24 that provided that there are sufficient funds available in the Asset Forfeiture Fund, he
25 believes that the Village should go ahead and use those funds. President Jones stated that
26 there are funds available in the Asset Forfeiture Fund for this program. President Jones
27 stated that if this program is put through the Budget cycle, the Village couldn't use the
28 Asset Forfeiture Funds for the program.

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30 Trustee Nale inquired of Chief Chudwin as to whether or not this program involves
31 preparing only one squad car for the K-9 Unit. Chief Chudwin stated that it does involve
32 only one vehicle.

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34 President Jones stated that the K-9 Officer would be assigned to whatever his shift is. He
35 will continue to do his regular police work, including local traffic stops. They will have
36 the dog available in case it is needed.

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38 Trustee Ormsby thanked Chief Chudwin for bringing this program to the Board. She is
39 excited to have a K-9 Unit in the Village. Trustee Ormsby inquired of Chief Chudwin as
40 to whether or not Officer Metzger is the only officer that will handle the dog. Chief
41 Chudwin stated that the dog has a primary handler. Chief Chudwin stated that the dog
42 and the handler bond during that six-week period. They are a team.

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44 Trustee Pennington inquired of Chief Chudwin as to his Memo regarding the K-9 vehicle
45 insert. Chief Chudwin stated that the Monee Police Department had an extra insert for the
46 K-9 Vehicle. They are letting the Olympia Fields Police Department use that piece of

1 equipment through May 1st of 2010. Trustee Pennington inquired of Chief Chudwin as to
2 whether or not there are enough police vehicles available to take one out to be used for
3 the K-9 Unit. Chief Chudwin stated that there are enough vehicles available to allow for
4 this program.

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6 Trustee Ormsby inquired of Chief Chudwin as to whether or not the dog could come to a
7 Board Meeting in order for the Board to meet the dog. Chief Chudwin stated that the dog
8 would be able to come to a Board Meeting.

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10 Trustee Gibson stated that after the first time costs for the K-9 Unit, the annual cost for
11 the K-9 Unit would be \$3,000.00. Chief Chudwin stated that is a fair estimate.

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13 Trustee Pennington stated that by having a K-9 Unit available on the asset seizure busts,
14 the Village would get compensated for the use of the K-9 Unit.

15 **Motion by Trustee Oliver, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to authorize the Police**
16 **Department to initiate a Police K-9 Program authorizing the Department to finance**
17 **all costs associated with this program from the Village's Customs/Drug Forfeiture**
18 **Funds in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00.**

19 **Roll Call: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

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22 **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS: (CONTINUED)**

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24 **Disaster Preparedness Table Top Exercise** – Chief Chudwin stated that the department
25 has been working on this for the last year and a half. Chief Chudwin and Administrator
26 Mekarski met with the Command Staff to draw up some type of Table Top Disaster
27 Planning Exercise. The Chief would like to schedule this for late October. It will be a two
28 and a half hour exercise. Right now they are focusing on the H1N1 issues.

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30 President Jones stated that the Board has to set aside three hours for this. The Board will
31 discuss it later on this evening. Chief Chudwin thanked the Board. President Jones
32 thanked Chief Chudwin for attending the meeting this evening.

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34 **Arcadia Blue Ribbon School Award** – Dr. Blondean Davis, Superintendent of District
35 162 thanked President Jones for allowing her to come this evening and address the Board.
36 Dr. Davis stated that District 162 is one of the top ten School Districts in the State.
37 District 162 is known nationally as one of the 315 Districts throughout the 50 states that
38 will be invited to the White House in November. (There was a round of applause).
39 Patricia Ransford, Principal of the Arcadia School will represent District 162 in
40 Washington, D.C. along with one of their Master Teachers. Dr. Davis stated that she
41 would not go to Washington, D.C. She wants the teacher and the principal to be honored.
42 Dr. Davis brought a copy of the official seal designating Arcadia as a Blue Ribbon
43 School. She also presented the Board with invitations for a party to celebrate the
44 accomplishments of Arcadia. The celebration will be held on November 8th at Governors
45 State University. The District has invited 1500 friends to help them celebrate. Dr. Davis
46 stated that they are in the process of preparing their second Blue Ribbon Application for

1 another school in the District. Their goal is to become a Blue Ribbon District. Dr. Davis
2 provided the Board with copies of an article from the Chicago Tribune. Dr. Davis
3 provided the Board with copies of the official letter stating that Arcadia is a Blue Ribbon
4 School. Dr. Davis thanked Chief Chudwin for making sure that the children are safe by
5 implementing safety measures, and for making sure that the children know what to do if
6 there is a challenge to security.

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8 Dr. Davis stated that they have a custom-made sign that they would be asking in another
9 format to put up announcing that Arcadia is a Blue Ribbon School. Dr. Davis thanked the
10 Board for the support that they have given her since she came to the District seven years
11 ago.

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13 President Jones stated that later in the agenda the Board will discuss working with the
14 School District on some banners and other signage related to this important celebration.
15 President Jones thanked Dr. Davis for coming this evening.

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17 **Lincoln/Western TIF Eligibility Report** – Mr. Mike Hoffman of Teska Associates, Inc.
18 stated that they have been working on examining the eligibility of the area at Lincoln
19 Highway and Western Avenue for a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District. Mr.
20 Hoffman presented a PowerPoint presentation outlining the area for the TIF District. The
21 properties excluded from the TIF District would be Charter One Bank, the office at the
22 far west end along Lincoln Highway that is west of Brookwood, Fifth Third Bank,
23 McDonald's, and the strip center with Dunkin Donuts. Teska has looked at some of the
24 financial projections if a Tax Increment Financing District is created. They are projecting
25 about 23 Million Dollars in tax increments over the life of the TIF District, which would
26 be 23 years. The majority of that revenue would come from the north side of Lincoln
27 Highway.

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29 Mr. Hoffman stated that there might be some tax appeals occurring in that area. He stated
30 that there are three options. 1. They can proceed with the whole area. 2. They could
31 consider doing a Tax Increment Financing District on the north side of Lincoln Highway
32 now, and coming back and amending the District at a later date to include the property to
33 the south. 3. Proceed with the Hearings right now on the whole area, and if the Village is
34 close to adopting the TIF, and the Village has to take some of those properties out
35 because of a possible tax appeal, they could do that. Mr. Hoffman stated that it would
36 take him about a week to prepare the Redevelopment Plan. Once the Redevelopment Plan
37 is completed, it will take about two months to put a TIF District in place.

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39 President Jones inquired of Mr. Hoffman as to what he was recommending in regard to
40 the three options on the Redevelopment Plan. Mr. Hoffman would like to meet with the
41 property owners and discuss when they are thinking about doing the tax appeals. He
42 stated that if it looks like it is still open, then he would proceed with doing the TIF
43 District on the whole area, and if need be, pull a few parcels out even after it is published
44 for Hearings. President Jones stated that at some point this Board would take action. He
45 stated that at this time the results are successful in terms of the likely ability to create a
46 TIF District on the north portion of this parcel where the heaviest development will be

1 located. If the Board approves the creation of the TIF District, the Village will then have
2 a strong hand in the development process of that area.

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4 Administrator Mekarski stated that the Village Attorney informed him that he would be
5 preparing a schedule of Ordinances and Resolutions that are required to be adopted as
6 part of the TIF District process. Those documents should be in the Board Packet for the
7 next Board Meeting. President Jones thanked Mr. Hoffman for attending the meeting this
8 evening.

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10 **Olympia Fields Library Board** – Mary Lou Lubertozzi, President of the Olympia Fields
11 Library Board stated that she wanted to bring the Board up-to-date with the renovations
12 going on at the Park Forest Library. She introduced the following Board Members that
13 were present this evening: Joan Braden from the Olympia Fields Library Board and Gail
14 Graham from the Park Forest Library Board.

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16 Barbara Osuch, Director of the Park Forest Public Library gave a PowerPoint
17 Presentation to the Board showing how the library will look after the renovations are
18 completed. Ms. Osuch stated that the renovations started in August. They anticipate
19 having the work done by March or April. The library is open during this time. Some of
20 the programs are being conducted off-site. The entire main floor of the library is being
21 remodeled. The taxpayers are not being asked to help finance the project. The library has
22 the funds to cover the projected costs of the renovation. There is a partnership between
23 the Village Board of Park Forest and the Library Board. The Village Board of Park Forest
24 will shoulder any expenses that the library is not able to meet.

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26 Ms. Osuch stated that there would be a craft area for children, as well as a Technology
27 Center for children. There will be three enclosed Family Technology Rooms. There will
28 be two large conference rooms. There will be a revamped technology area with 20 public
29 computer stations with room to expand from there.

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31 Trustee Gibson stated that she is in and out of the library quite often. She has always
32 received good service and she appreciates that. Trustee Ormsby stated that the library has
33 customer friendly people and that they are always willing to help. The Library Board
34 presented a goodie bag to each of the Trustees.

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36 Ms. Osuch stated that there is new landscaping to allow more natural light into the
37 interior of the building. All of the plants will be marked with their scientific name and
38 their common name. There is also a courtyard.

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40 The Youth Services area will have a park atmosphere consisting of park lights and park
41 benches for the children. There will be a cobblestone carpet in that area.

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43 October 2nd is the Beatles Rock Band for the teenagers. A Pumpkin Festival will be held
44 at the library on October 17th. A Pumpkin Festival will be held at Sergeant Means Park
45 on October 24th. PJ Time will be Pumpkin Pandemonium on October 20th. The after
46 school crafts on October 21st will be Pumpkin Decorating. The travel log for seniors will

1 be held at the Rich Township Senior Center. Potpourri will start up on October 15th at
2 Freedom Hall. (There was a round of applause). President Jones stated kudos to the two
3 Library Boards and the Village Board of Park Forest for backing them financially.

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5 Trustee Ormsby stated that it is exciting. Her only disappointment is that they are not in
6 Olympia Fields. She is happy that they are appealing to everybody of all ages. Ms.
7 Lubertozzi stated that a newsletter would be sent to all residents of Olympia Fields and
8 Park Forest in October. It will explain the renovations. There will be a Grand Opening
9 when the renovation is completed.

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11 **Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra** – Mr. Ed Feingold, Executive Director of the Illinois
12 Philharmonic Orchestra stated that he was present this evening to recognize the Village
13 Board and the administration for the Village's commitment to the orchestra. The Illinois
14 Philharmonic Orchestra is in its 32nd season. They serve 68 communities from Northwest
15 Indiana to Joliet, and from Chicago to Kankakee.

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17 Mr. Feingold stated that he and Marilyn Tannebaum, a Board Member, attended the
18 Mentoring/Internship Program and Freshmen Symposium at Rich Central High School.
19 They will be working with one senior in the Internship Program. The orchestra launched
20 a Community Leadership Campaign. It is an appeal to the communities to support the
21 orchestra. Mr. Feingold and Andrea Gibb, a Board Committee Member, presented
22 President Jones with a plaque for the Village's participation in this campaign. The Village
23 is listed as a co-sponsor of the January 30, 2010 concert program "Romantic Rivals,"
24 with guest conductor Leslie Dunner. Dr. Dunner is currently the Music Director of the
25 Joffrey Ballet Orchestra. Dr. Dunner will be the first African American Conductor to
26 conduct the orchestra at the podium. Mr. Feingold stated that the Olympia Fields
27 Enhancement Organization is committed to bringing 84 residents of the community to
28 that concert. Mr. Feingold thanked the Village for its support this season. (There was a
29 round of applause).

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31 President Jones stated that he met with Marilyn Tannebaum a few weeks ago. He was
32 educated on the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra and its value to the communities. On
33 behalf of the Village and this Board, he made a \$1,000.00 contribution to the Illinois
34 Philharmonic Orchestra. He stated that the orchestra is a resource to the community. He
35 is encouraging everyone to patronize the orchestra.

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37 Mrs. Gibb stated that she and her husband have been residents of Olympia Fields for 25
38 years. They have been active in the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra for almost 25 years.
39 She thanked the Board for the donation to the orchestra. President Jones thanked Mr.
40 Feingold and Mrs. Gibb for attending the meeting this evening.

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42 **Streetlights at Governors Highway** - Mr. Tony Martin stated that he represents the
43 Hawthorne Hills Homeowners Association. The Homeowners Association has been in
44 existence for two years now. He stated that he has a concern about safety at the
45 streetlights on Governors Highway right down the street at Exmoor, and at Cumnock, and
46 Crawford. The speed limit is 50 miles per hour on Governors Highway. It is 45 miles per

1 hour on Crawford. Some of the senior residents are having trouble locating their
2 intersection at night. He suggested putting a streetlight up there. Last year Mr. Martin
3 spoke with Mr. Peterson about this matter. Commonwealth Edison had no objection with
4 putting a light up there at minimal cost. When Mr. Martin spoke to Mr. Peterson about
5 this again, Mr. Peterson had indicated that Commonwealth Edison was backing off on
6 putting a light there because they were trying to save money.

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8 President Jones stated that he thought the Village had budgeted for three or four lights. It
9 had nothing to do with what Commonwealth Edison wanted to do. They have a set price
10 for installing these lights. He stated that Administration would speak to Joe Alexa about
11 the status of this matter. President Jones asked Mr. Martin to contact Mr. Alexa on
12 Friday, and Mr. Alexa would be able to give him a status report on when those lights
13 would be installed.

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15 Mr. Martin stated that a light needs to be at Highview which is on the west side of
16 Governors Highway, and Exmoor on the east side, and Crawford and Cumnock which is
17 the western edge of their association.

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19 Mr. Martin thanked President Jones and the Board for the donation that was made at the
20 Community Dinner for the Hawthorne Hills Homeowners Association. President Jones
21 closed Communications and Petitions at 8:35 P.M.

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23 **FINANCE:**

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25 **July 2009 Financial Statements** – Trustee Pennington stated that we are now three
26 months into our Budget. This evening he will be reporting on the revenues and expenses
27 incurred for the period ending July 31, 2009.

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29 **Corporate Fund** – Trustee Pennington stated that the month of July was closed in a
30 deficit status in the amount of \$66,893.57. The Village realized actual revenue in the
31 amount of \$259,875.19. The Village incurred actual expenses in the amount of
32 \$326,768.76. The Village budgeted for a deficit in July. The budgeted revenue for the
33 month was \$259,590.30. The budgeted expense figure was \$286,914.93. This resulted in
34 a budgeted fund deficit in the amount of \$27,324.63. The Sales Tax Revenue was down
35 by 6%. \$64,469.80 realized versus \$68,750.00 budgeted. The Village realized an
36 \$8,393.00 decrease, or 21% in State Income Tax Revenue during this period. The
37 Village's State Income Tax Revenue was budgeted in the amount of \$39,167.00. The
38 Village realized and booked \$30,774.00 in State Income Tax Revenue. Trustee
39 Pennington stated that there was a 21% increase in Towing/Impound Revenue for this
40 period. The budget for this line item for the month of July was \$6,666.67. The Village
41 realized \$27,700.00 in actual revenue. The Village realized a 15% decrease in Utility Tax
42 Revenue for the month of July. The budget for this line item was \$62,500.00. The Village
43 realized \$53,342.00 in actual revenue. The year to date actual, plus encumbrance for July
44 is a deficit in the amount of \$263,361.00.

1 Trustee Pennington stated that we could attribute these deficits to timing issues related to
2 first quarter closing, and the receipt of funds due the Village from the prior periods that
3 may have not been booked in the current period.
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5 **Water Fund** – Trustee Pennington stated that the Water Fund closed out the month of
6 July in deficit status. It closed at \$17,680.00. The expenses were in line with respect to
7 the sums budgeted against the actual expenses incurred. The water revenue was 42%
8 below plan. The Village budgeted the sum of \$87,892.00 for July. The Village realized
9 \$51,156.00 in actual revenue for this period. The year to date actual, plus encumbrance
10 for July is a deficit in the amount of \$25,590.00.
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12 **Sewer Fund** – Trustee Pennington stated that the Sewer Fund closed out the month of
13 July in deficit status. The total fund deficit was \$81,441.00. The Village realized actual
14 revenues in the amount of \$34,103.00. The actual expenses were \$115,543.00. The
15 Village budgeted for a deficit in the Sewer Fund. The year to date actual, plus
16 encumbrance for this period is a deficit in the amount of \$25,590.00.
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18 **BUILDING:**

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20 **207th & Kedzie Landscaping** - Trustee Ormsby stated that the 207th & Kedzie
21 Landscaping would start next week. That is the AT&T money that the Village had been
22 given. It will hide the AT&T box, but it will allow AT&T access to the box. It will
23 improve that corner.
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25 President Jones inquired of Trustee Ormsby as to whether or not there would be
26 landscaping at the eastern and western edges of that asphalt surface. Trustee Ormsby
27 stated that the grass seed that was previously put down did not hold well. It is going to be
28 aerated and they will improve on that. They have to make sure they don't block anything
29 visually. There will be grasses that do not require a lot of care and watering. There will
30 be some evergreens. She stated that within a year it should look much better.
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32 **PLANNING:**

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34 **Sign Committee** - Trustee Gibson stated that she did not have a formal report this
35 evening. Trustee Gibson stated that the Sign Committee is continuing to investigate and
36 make plans for the proposed fall banners for the seasons on Kedzie Avenue. The Sign
37 Committee will be meeting on October 1st to discuss adjusting the associated fees with
38 some of the Ordinances. The Sign Committee is trying to meet for an hour or so every
39 Thursday until these matters are taken care of.
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41 **Homeowners Association** - Trustee Gibson stated that a few days ago, members of the
42 Wysteria Homeowners Association met with the members of Olympia Club and one of
43 the developers in preparation of getting the Olympia Club Homeowners Association
44 started. She stated that this would be an ongoing process until they complete that.
45 President Jones stated that is great.
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1 **PUBLIC WORKS:**

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3 **Recommendation for Bid Award to Gaskill & Walton Construction Company –**

4 Trustee Oliver stated that he would like to take the agenda out of sequence. Mr. Mathews
5 is in the audience from Robinson Engineering. The second item is a recommendation for
6 bid award having to do with the Graymoor Lift Station. Trustee Oliver would like Mr.
7 Mathews to discuss that project.

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9 Mr. Mathews stated that this is for the replacement of a sewage lift station. The existing
10 lift station is 40 years old. He stated that the Public Works employees are nervous that the
11 equipment is going to break down. This is something that operates 24 hours a day
12 pumping sewage. It was constructed in the 1970s. It is hazardous for the employees
13 because it is like a vault that they have to go into. With the present safety standards it is
14 not done that way any more. The existing lift station is located in the 100-year Flood
15 Zone. The project would move the lift station out of the Flood Zone. Mr. Mathews stated
16 that the project was bid on last month. There were three bids. Gaskill & Walton was the
17 low bidder. He stated that right now the bids have been running 10% less than two years
18 ago due to the economy.

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20 Trustee Oliver inquired of Mr. Mathews as to whether or not he is familiar with Gaskill
21 & Walton. Mr. Mathews stated that Robinson Engineering has done a number of projects
22 with them. He stated that on two projects that he is aware of with Gaskill & Walton, the
23 final price was less than the bid price.

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25 President Jones stated that the Village envisions paying for this through a combination of
26 Federal Funding. There is \$190,000.00 in Federal Funding that is left over from a Federal
27 Grant that the Village originally applied to Woods Pumping Station. There was money
28 left over. The Federal Grant would pickup half of the cost. The remaining balance will be
29 picked up by the surplus funds that still remain with respect to the Sewer Bond. President
30 Jones stated that the Village must do this project.

31 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Ormsby to accept the low bid of**
32 **Gaskill & Walton Construction Company in an amount not to exceed \$406,280.00**
33 **for the construction of the Graymoor Lift Station.**

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35 Trustee Meyers-Martin inquired of Mr. Martin as to how long of a project this is. Mr.
36 Mathews stated that it is a nine-month project.

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38 Trustee Pennington inquired of Mr. Mathews as to whether or not there is a possibility of
39 any add on orders coming out of this. Mr. Mathews stated that he does not expect it to go
40 over the bid price.

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42 Trustee Gibson inquired of Mr. Mathews as to whether or not during that nine-month
43 period, every home in Graymoor will be secure with their sewage. Mr. Mathews stated
44 that one of the provisions of the contract is that they have to maintain existing service.

1 President Jones stated that the Board previously authorized that a by-pass be built. In the
2 event that the pump failed, the Village could continue to move the sewage using the
3 Village's other pumping systems. That is already in place.

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5 Trustee Ormsby expressed concern to Mr. Mathews that there is a significant difference
6 in the bids. She is pleased that Robinson has worked with this company before and that
7 they have come in under Budget. Mr. Mathews stated that this is not out of line in what
8 they are seeing with other projects. Trustee Pennington stated that he thinks it is a sign of
9 the times. Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that she had that same concern because
10 sometimes there is such a discrepancy between the highest and the lowest bidder that you
11 wonder what kind of material they are using, or how could they possibly come in that
12 low. She stated that the Board has confidence because Mr. Mathews has confidence.

13 **Roll Call: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

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15 **Resolution #2009-05** – Trustee Oliver stated that Rich Township High School District
16 227 is about to undergo the appointment of a new Superintendent. This is going to be a
17 major decision for this region. The Education Commission is having discussions as to
18 how it might be able to be involved in this process. Trustee Oliver stated that Dr. Ernie
19 Gibson and Christopher Sneed are present this evening from the Education Commission.
20 Trustee Oliver turned the matter over to Dr. Gibson so that he could provide some
21 feedback regarding the Resolution.

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23 Dr. Gibson who resides at 208 Wysteria stated that on behalf of the Education
24 Commission and the Marketing Team of the Education Commission, he wanted to thank
25 Administrator Mekarski for his leadership. Dr. Gibson stated that on behalf of the
26 Education Commission and the Marketing Team they appreciate all of the efforts and the
27 support of the Board and Administrator Mekarski.

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29 Dr. Gibson stated that the Resolution before the Board this evening is perhaps the best
30 project that the Commission has had since its inception as a Commission. The District is
31 about to hire a new Superintendent. The mission of the Education Commission is to
32 improve education for the children in Olympia Fields and the surrounding communities.
33 The Education Commission believes that there are stakeholders in the community that
34 need to be recognized, and that need to be included in the search for a Superintendent.
35 The Education Commission hopes that the Board will consider the Resolution.

36 **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Nale to adopt Resolution 2009-05, A**
37 **Resolution Encouraging Rich Township High School District 227 for an "Open,**
38 **Democratic, Deliberative and community Driven Process" for the Upcoming**
39 **Recruitment and Selection of the District's next Superintendent.**

40 **Voice Vote: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

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42 **Olympia Fields Education Commission Partnership with Rich Central** – Trustee
43 Oliver stated that the next item is the Olympia Fields Education Commission Partnership
44 with Rich Central High School to afford transportation to the 2009 Navy Pier National
45 College Fair on October 3, 2009. Trustee Oliver believes that this will be a wonderful
46 thing for the students.

1 Administrator Mekarski stated that on an annual basis, many high schools bring in
2 college recruiters from all around the country. Homewood-Flossmoor has an event where
3 over 500 colleges are there for parents and students to receive materials and meet with
4 the recruiters. The parents can find out about financial aid. The schools in Rich Township
5 do not provide that opportunity to the students. There is limited encouragement to go to
6 the Prairie State College Fair. The Prairie State College Fair represents about 126
7 Midwest Colleges. Administrator Mekarski stated that the Education Commission has
8 worked in partnership with the counselors at Rich Central and Mr. Rainey the School
9 Principal, and with monies that were budgeted to the Education Commission, they are
10 sponsoring eight to twelve buses to take the students to Navy Pier for the College Fair. At
11 the College Fair, 500 to 600 colleges from all across the country will be represented. A
12 parent or guardian must accompany each student that attends the College Fair. The PTSO
13 has offered to chaperone students if a parent or guardian is not available to attend the
14 College Fair.

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16 President Jones inquired of Administrator Mekarski as to how many students were going
17 to attend. Administrator Mekarski stated that 250 to 350 students would be attending the
18 College Fair. Administrator Mekarski stated in the Board Packet is a copy of the letter
19 that was sent out to every parent in the District. He stated that the Education Commission
20 is hoping that this will be a Pilot Program and that the District will pick it up and will
21 fund it on a regular basis for all three campuses.

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23 Trustee Nale stated that she thinks it is a wonderful plan to send the students to the
24 College Fair to broaden their experience. She stated that it is good to see Dr. Gibson
25 getting the Village involved in the student education process. She congratulated Dr.
26 Gibson.

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28 **Recommendation for payment to National Power Rodding Corporation** – Trustee
29 Oliver stated that the last item is for the recommendation for payment of National Power
30 Rodding Corporation in the amount of \$24,500.00. This concerns work that was done
31 throughout various areas of the Village.

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33 President Jones stated that there was certain cost overruns that were incurred by National
34 Power Rodding that far exceeded \$24,500.00, as a result of restrictions placed on their
35 operations by the Public Works Department in order to protect the Village's Manhole and
36 Sewer System from some of the work that they had to do. National Power Rodding
37 wanted two or three times this amount of money. This compromise was worked out in
38 order to avoid any further controversy with them to get the work completed.

39 **Motion by Trustee Oliver, second by Trustee Gibson to make payment to National**
40 **Power Rodding Corporation in the amount of \$24,500.00 for the work completed in**
41 **conjunction with the 2008 Sewer Maintenance Preparatory Cleaning and Internal**
42 **Sewer Television Inspection as directed by the Public Works Department in various**
43 **area locations throughout the Village.**

44
45 Trustee Ormsby inquired of President Jones as to whether or not we normally put
46 language in there that it is free of all liens. He stated that the Village paid them

1 everything that it owed them under the liens. This is a payment above that to compensate
2 them for damages that they incurred in completing their work.

3
4 Trustee Pennington stated that he does not see a date on the Supplemental Payment
5 Agreement. President Jones stated that we would use the date of the last Friday in
6 February, which is February 27th.

7 **Roll Call: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

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9 **HUMAN RESOURCES:**

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11 **Human Resource Committee** – Trustee Nale stated that the Human Resource
12 Committee met on September 21st. They discussed the possibility of picture ID's for all
13 Village employees. Additional research has to be done in order to accomplish this.
14 Trustee Nale stated that she would keep the Board advised.

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16 **PUBLIC SAFETY: (CONTINUED)**

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18 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that she has no additional report.

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20 **REPORT OF VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:**

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22 **Authorization for the Village President to Execute a Contract with the SBA –**
23 Administrator Mekarski stated that the first item is authorization for the Village President
24 to Execute a Contract with the SBA for Contract SBAHQ-09-1-0108. It is for the
25 development of a "South Suburban Coalition Economic Development Program," which is
26 the campaign to fight Retail Redlining on behalf of the Villages of Park Forest, Richton
27 Park, Olympia Fields and Matteson. He stated that the Grant Award has been received.
28 The majority of the special conditions listed on pages 5 and 6 in the Board Packet have
29 been met.

30 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Oliver to authorize the Village**
31 **President to accept the Notice of Award for the SBA Grant Agreement, SBA**
32 **(#SBAHQ-09-1-0108) for the Development of a "South Suburban Coalition**
33 **Economic Development Program" also entitled ("Campaign to Fight Retail**
34 **Redlining") on behalf of the Villages of Matteson, Park Forest, Richton Park and**
35 **Olympia Fields.**

36 **Roll Call: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

37
38 **203rd Street Video Surveillance Program** – Administrator Mekarski stated that the next
39 item is regarding the Village's 203rd Street Video Surveillance Program. Administrator
40 Mekarski stated that he is pleased to announce that we are coming to fruition with this
41 whole program. The Village received \$50,000.00 from the DCEO. \$30,000.00 from DHS
42 from the State, and \$24,000.00 from St. James Hospital. Urban Communications is
43 implementing the construction. It is almost in its final stages. Due to the fact he is
44 working towards a Grant Closure for the DCEO Grant and the DHS Grant of September
45 30th, Administrator Mekarski is requesting that rather than process the two invoices in the
46 normal course of action and bills payable, that these are approved conditionally. The

1 checks would be cut on or before September 30th. The checks would be held in the vault
2 until NIU, the Project Manager, can confirm all work has been completed, sign-off on the
3 invoices and the checks can be released. By meeting that obligation of September 30th,
4 Administrator Mekarski would be meeting his contractual obligations with the Grant and
5 can do the closeout procedures accordingly.

6 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Ormsby to authorize the Village**
7 **President to execute the following checks to Urban Communications for invoice**
8 **24168 in the amount of \$80,000.00, and to Nawrocki Systems, Inc. for invoice 3515**
9 **in the amount of \$8,445.00 prior to September 30th, 2009, and until final sign-off and**
10 **approval by NIU said disbursements shall be held in the Village vault.**

11
12 Trustee Pennington stated that when he informed the Metra Board about this project they
13 were surprised. They didn't know a project like this was being considered. Trustee
14 Pennington stated that once this is up and running, he is going to ask that the Metra Board
15 come out and view the system in its entirety. He stated that there isn't any surveillance of
16 this magnitude at any of the Metra Stations in Cook County.

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18 President Jones stated that in the event of an emergency at the Metra Station, St. James
19 Hospital, and Rich Central High School, the Village will be able to view what is going on
20 by being hooked into their camera systems. President Jones stated that this is just the
21 beginning of this program. The next step in the process is to add the 211th Street Metra
22 Station.

23 **Roll Call: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

24
25 **Comprehensive Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Program - Authorization to Initiate a**
26 **Residential Loan Program** – Administrator Mekarski stated that at the Board Meeting
27 on September 14th the Board discussed the entire program for Residential Sanitary Sewer
28 Compliance initiatives. Included in that Board Packet was a letter that would be sent to
29 the residents that have improper connections to the Sanitary Sewer System to request that
30 they remove those connections by May 1, 2010. The Board discussed a Loan Assistance
31 Program where monies from the unencumbered fund balance would be utilized to be
32 given to residents at a low interest rate of 3% for a three-year period with debt service
33 payments being made through the Water Billing System. The Village Attorney has
34 drafted a Loan Agreement. The Motion before the Board this evening is for the
35 administration to initiate the entire program as outlined in the Board Packet, as well as to
36 initiate the Loan Program with the Village's Finance Department.

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38 Trustee Nale stated that this is going to be expensive for some people. She does not
39 understand why the Village arrived at 3% rather than 1%, or 2%, or zero percent.
40 President Jones believes that the Village has a duty to all taxpayers to at least evaluate the
41 investment of their dollars against other investments. He stated that 3% is an
42 extraordinarily low rate of interest to borrow funds. It is lower than anything they can get
43 in the market place. It is a return on the taxpayers' money that others are now using for
44 their personal benefit. He stated that Trustee Nale is more than welcome to propose to the
45 Board a different interest rate.

1 Trustee Nale stated that the Village does charge for Building Permits. President Jones
2 stated that the Building Commissioner has discussed this with Trustee Ormsby and
3 Trustee Gibson. They will be coming back to the Board with changes on the fee structure,
4 which will substantially reduce what the Board would expect to be the Building Permit
5 cost for this particular kind of work.

6
7 Mr. McDonnell stated that perhaps Trustee Nale thought that for the Sewer Program the
8 Village would be charging a Permit Fee for those repairs. He stated that we are not doing
9 that. Trustee Nale stated that she understands that. She thought that money could be taken
10 from other sources, such as the Building Permits to help pay for the cost of loaning this
11 money to the residents. President Jones stated that the line of revenue for Building
12 Permits is relatively small. He does not see that as a revenue source. He stated that this
13 program provides some financial assistance to the residents. It does not propose that all
14 the taxpayers in the Village ought to bear the cost of repairs that some homeowners need
15 to make to their own property. Trustee Nale stated that is not what she was insinuating.
16 President Jones does not believe that the Village should take revenue from the Building
17 Permit process, which is there for other purposes. He stated that the only place that there
18 is money available to run any kind of a Loan Program within these parameters is out of
19 the unencumbered General Fund. He stated that it comes down to what does the Board
20 want to do in terms of charging a return on those dollars. He stated that the taxpayers in
21 this community ought to get a return on their invested funds.

22
23 Trustee Gibson stated that the biggest portion of the Permit Fees has to be paid to the
24 inspectors. President Jones stated that the real issue is whether or not the Village is going
25 to have this Loan Program, and if it is, what is the rate going to be. He stated that once a
26 Motion is made, a Trustee could make a Motion to amend the Motion and move for a
27 different rate.

28 **Motion by Trustee Meyers-Martin, second by Trustee Ormsby to authorize the**
29 **Village Administration to implement the administrative procedures associated with**
30 **the correction of residential sanitary sewer violations as outlined in the packet of**
31 **information disseminated to the Board on 9/14/09; and further authorize**
32 **Administration to initiate the Sanitary Rehabilitation Loan Program utilizing**
33 **unencumbered funds from the Village's General Fund Cash Reserve, and repay said**
34 **fund over the three year debt service period of the loan program with payments**
35 **received from loan recipients that include principle and interest at a fixed per**
36 **annum rate of 3%.**

37 **Motion by Trustee Nale to amend the rate to 2%. President Jones stated that the**
38 **Motion to amend fails for a lack of a second.**

39 **Roll Call: Ayes (5-0) Trustee Nale voted present. Motion Carried.**

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41 Trustee Ormsby inquired of President Jones as to whether or not the letter that goes out to
42 the residents will include a list of the recommended contractors. President Jones stated
43 that only the residents participating in the loan program would have to use a contractor
44 from the list. If a resident is not participating in the Loan Program, and they call Village
45 Hall to inquire of a contractor they could use, then the Village would provide the list to
46 that resident. The contractor has to be licensed by the Village. The Village will inspect all

1 of the repair work. President Jones stated that the letter to the residents would include a
2 list of the recommended contractors as suggested by Trustee Ormsby. The letter will be
3 worded that if they are going to participate in the Loan Program, they have to use a
4 contractor that is on the list. If they are not going to participate in the Loan Program, it is
5 the choice of the resident what contractor they would like to use, as long as they are
6 licensed by the Village.

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8 Trustee Nale stated that several years ago homes were inspected. It is her understanding
9 that several homes were grandfathered in as being approved at that time as far as the
10 system is concerned. Trustee Nale inquired of President Jones as to whether or not those
11 Grandfather Clauses are still upheld. President Jones stated they are not. He stated that he
12 has no history on that. He stated that it had to occur 15 or 20 years ago. It didn't happen
13 under his administration. He stated that if those homes are found to have inappropriate
14 connections, they are not going to be grandfathered in. He stated that it is time for those
15 homes to get into compliance. He believes that if a past administration did that they were
16 wrong. The homes should have been brought into compliance at that time. He stated that
17 the Village's Sewer System wouldn't be in as bad condition as it is right now if the
18 previous Boards had done what they had to do. He stated that the law is the law, and
19 everyone has to follow the law. President Jones inquired of Trustee Nale as to whom she
20 is referring to. Trustee Nale stated that she has a Grandfather Clause that was done by the
21 Village several years ago. President Jones stated that she is welcome to bring it in and the
22 Village will look at the legal affect of it. President Jones stated that from his perspective
23 it is time to do the right thing.

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25 Trustee Nale inquired of President Jones as to whether or not all of the homes of the
26 residents have been inspected that will be receiving the letter regarding the estimated
27 cost. President Jones stated that 60% of the neighborhood where this program has run
28 was inspected. She inquired as to what about the homes that weren't inspected. President
29 Jones stated that we are not operating in those neighborhoods because we don't have
30 issues in their sewer system. Those areas are much newer. Trustee Nale stated that there
31 are homes in her area that have not been inspected. She does not have the exact addresses
32 but she can provide them to President Jones. President Jones suggested that she forward
33 those addresses to the Building Department. That information will be reviewed with the
34 Building Department and Robinson Engineering to see whether the Village's records
35 indicate that for some reason these folks never complied. He stated that if there was a
36 property that was in that footprint that had not been inspected, an Administrative Warrant
37 should have been issued long ago from Court. He stated that no one is immune from this
38 program.

39
40 **Authorization for the Village President to enter into a Lease Agreement with Clear**
41 **Wireless, LLC** – Administrator Mekarski stated that the next item is for authorization for
42 the Village President to enter into a Lease Agreement with Clear Wireless, LLC for the
43 construction of antennas and ancillary equipment on the Village's two water towers. In
44 the Board Packet is a Memorandum outlining the Lease Agreement for the two water
45 towers with this lease provider. There is a letter in the Packet from the Village Attorney
46 dated September 18th approving the leases to legal form. The company is providing

1 \$24,000.00 annually per tower for the equipment installation. There is language in the
2 Agreement stating that it is the responsibility of Clear Wireless, LLC to remove the
3 equipment and reinstall it if the towers need to be painted post installation.
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5 President Jones inquired of Mr. McDonnell as to how the existing Cell Users Agreements
6 would impact the Village' ability to paint the towers. Mr. McDonnell stated that he did
7 not review that. He stated that the Village Attorney's Office has stated that it is the same
8 language that is incorporated in those leases for the removal of their equipment for
9 maintenance of the water towers. President Jones asked Mr. McDonnell to have the
10 Village Attorney drop a note to the Village to that affect.

11 **Motion by Trustee Oliver, second by Trustee Nale to approve on First and Second**
12 **Reading proposed Ordinance #2009-14 – An Ordinance authorizing a**
13 **Communication Site Lease Agreement with Clear Wireless, LLC for premises**
14 **commonly known as 3729 Vollmer Road.**
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16 Trustee Oliver inquired as to how many more antennas this tower would hold. Mr.
17 McDonnell stated that the equipment is getting smaller and smaller. These units are three,
18 small, round disks. He stated that this is a parent company of Sprint. Sprint is aware that
19 this equipment will be mounted right next to their other equipment. Mr. McDonnell
20 stated that he doesn't know how much equipment can go on there.

21 **Roll Call: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**
22

23 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to approve on**
24 **First and Second Reading proposed Ordinance #2009-15 – An Ordinance**
25 **authorizing a Communication Site Lease Agreement with Clear Wireless, LLC for**
26 **premises commonly known as 3249 Lincoln Highway.**

27 **Roll Call: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**
28

29 **Outline of Report from the Village Attorney regarding the State of Illinois**
30 **Amendments of the Freedom of Information Act** – Administrator Mekarski stated that
31 the next item is regarding communications from the Village Attorney relative to the
32 changes that the State Legislature has made relative to the Freedom of Information Act.
33 The majority of the impact is to the Administrative Staff. It stiffens up the penalties for
34 non-compliance. Each Municipality has to designate a Freedom of Information Officer.
35 That will be discussed with the Village President following a seminar that the Village
36 Attorney will be hosting for Administrator Mekarski's Office and all of the Department
37 Heads relative to the implementation of this Act.
38

39 President Jones stated that he would be making a recommendation to the Board in the
40 weeks to come as to who the designated Freedom of Information Officer ought to be. He
41 stated that the Village runs a transparent operation. Other than procedural changes, he
42 does not know what these changes mean to the Village.
43

44 **Arcadia Blue Ribbon School Banner Program** - Administrator Mekarski stated that
45 Superintendent Blondean Davis has agreed to participate in a Shared Costs Agreement
46 with the Village to put up banners on Kedzie Avenue, along with the holiday and

1 seasonal banners that are now being considered by the Sign Committee. The Sign
2 Committee is meeting with the banner company on October 1st. The Committee is to
3 consider various changes that have been made to some of the banners. The Motion directs
4 this whole program to the Sign Committee, officially, to provide recommendations at an
5 upcoming Board Meeting for implementation.

6 **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Nale to direct the Arcadia Blue
7 Ribbon School Banner Program to the Village's Sign Committee for program
8 implementation and recommendation to the Board on expenditures.**

9 **Voice Vote: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

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11 **Disaster Preparedness Table Top Exercise** – Administrator Mekarski stated that we
12 already addressed the Disaster Preparedness Table Top Exercise. The only thing left to do
13 is for this group to agree on a date and time in October when Chief Chudwin can conduct
14 the Table Top Exercise.

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16 President Jones stated that this would take three hours of your time. He believes that it is
17 really important. He stated that administrative personnel, the police department, and the
18 Matteson Fire Department would participate in this exercise with the Board. This will
19 prepare the participants on how they should respond in the event of a disaster in the
20 Village. The Chief would like to do this on a Wednesday evening. President Jones
21 recommended that the Table Top Exercise be held on October 28th from 6:30 P.M. to
22 9:30 P.M. Administrator Mekarski will check with Chief Chudwin to see if October 28th
23 is convenient for him.

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25 **REPORT OF VILLAGE PRESIDENT:**

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27 **Valero – Gas Depot Liquor License Request** – President Jones stated that
28 representatives are present from Valero. President Jones thanked Mr. Nick Tanglis for
29 attending the meeting this evening. President Jones stated that a couple months ago
30 Valero was before the Board requesting that the Board authorize the creation of a Liquor
31 License for the Gas Station. This would be for beer and wine, similar to what Speedway
32 has. Mr. Tanglis provided the Board with a copy of the Employee Policies and
33 Procedures Guide. It addresses alcohol and tobacco sales.

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35 Trustee Ormsby inquired of Mr. Tanglis as to whether or not there are video surveillance
36 cameras inside the Valero Gas Station. Mr. Tanglis stated that they do have cameras.
37 However, the entire square footage of the facility is not videotaped. Sections of the
38 facility are videotaped and the area where the liquor would be located would be
39 videotaped.

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41 Trustee Ormsby stated that she is the Trustee that spoke about the landscaping, and that it
42 wasn't what the Village wanted. She stated that she noticed that they have improved that.
43 She is very pleased to see that. It is a Gateway to the Village and it needs to stay in that
44 condition. She thanked him for improving the landscaping. Mr. Tanglis thanked Trustee
45 Ormsby for bringing the matter to their attention. He stated that the landscaping is
46 important to the Village, but it is important to their consumer as well.

1 President Jones stated that he has to inquire of the Board as to whether or not the Board is
2 inclined to create the Liquor License Ordinance. He stated that we did not have a review
3 by the police department. President Jones stated that when CVS came to the Board for a
4 Liquor License, the Board had the police department meet with the owners of the store to
5 look at the layout of the store and to look at security issues. The Board had also asked
6 CVS for detailed information listing the percentage of stores within the Cook County and
7 Will County area that had liquor sales.

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9 President Jones appreciates that Mr. Tanglis has been patient. He stated that the matter
10 would be taken care of by the first meeting in October. Trustee Pennington stated that he
11 would like the police department to review the facility in regard to the square footage
12 issue and where the displays will be erected. Trustee Nale stated that she felt the same
13 way. Trustee Meyers-Martin inquired of Mr. Tanglis as to whether or not it was universal
14 throughout all the Gas Depots that they all sell beer and wine. Mr. Tanglis stated that they
15 do. He stated that the stations that are located in Chicago do not sell liquor. The other
16 stations do sell liquor. Trustee Meyers-Martin is in agreement with the suggestion made
17 by Trustee Pennington. President Jones asked Mr. Tanglis to provide the Board with the
18 data by location as to the stations that sell liquor. President Jones stated that if they want
19 to supply the data for all of the stations in the State of Illinois that would be fine.

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21 Trustee Oliver stated that he has some concerns. He stated that when the Speedway asked
22 the Board for a Liquor License, Speedway's concern was that since the BP was coming
23 and it had a Liquor License, in order for them to compete with the BP they would need a
24 Liquor License. He stated that the Board approved it. Trustee Oliver voted against it. He
25 is pro business. He stated that he has a problem with the sale of alcohol in gas stations.
26 He stated that at that time, he asked the Board that if the Board grants the Liquor License
27 to Speedway, are we going to make it available to the other two gas stations in the
28 Village for the sake of fairness. Trustee Oliver inquired as to what happens when the
29 Village's third gas station comes before the Board for a Liquor License. He stated that
30 during all of this time they have been able to maintain business. They don't need the
31 license to be competitive in the area. He inquired of Mr. Tanglis as to whether or not
32 there was some other way that they might be able to have their margin of profit.

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34 Mr. Tanglis stated that this comes before the Board because a competitor with a Liquor
35 License is being developed very close to their location. In this day and age, that is a
36 competitive edge that will cost them revenue sales, not from the liquor itself. They do not
37 intend to make that a profit center. It is not a substantial product in terms of volume and
38 gross profit margin to tip the balance sheet on a daily, monthly, or annual basis. It does
39 impact the ancillary sales of all products and services that they sell at the station. He
40 stated that you would never shop at a Convenience Store like you do at Wal-Mart, CVS,
41 Jewel, Walgreens or Dominick's. He is aware of the fact that if he doesn't have a Liquor
42 License, and his competitor offers the product down the street, he will lose a certain
43 amount of business.

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45 Trustee Ormsby and Trustee Gibson stated that they have no problem proceeding as
46 suggested by Trustee Pennington.

1 President Jones stated that the Village would prepare an Ordinance for at least First
2 Reading at the first Board Meeting in October. In the meantime, the Chief will contact
3 Frank Aguilera, who is the General Manager at Valero. The Chief will make whatever
4 evaluations he deems appropriate and provide a Memo to the Board prior to the October
5 12th Board Meeting. Mr. Tanglis thanked the Board for their consideration.

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7 **Video Poker Ordinance** – President Jones stated that the Video Poker Ordinance is not
8 on the agenda because the Village is gathering some additional information. There was
9 discussion in the General Assembly that if you vote to ban video poker, then whatever
10 money was set-aside in the Capital Bill will be taken away from you. He stated that we
11 don't have any business in the Village that would have video poker. The regulations that
12 would have to be put in place by the Gaming Board in order to implement the program
13 are at least nine months to a year away. President Jones stated that Administration will
14 continue to monitor the situation and will report back to the Board periodically as it
15 determines how the General Assembly is going to handle this issue.

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17 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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19 **Tree Sharing Program** – Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that in regard to the Tree
20 Sharing Program, several people have asked her when the trees will be delivered. Trustee
21 Meyers-Martin inquired of Trustee Ormsby as to when the trees are scheduled to be
22 delivered. Trustee Ormsby stated that they just had a Beautification Committee Meeting
23 tonight. Kay Mangan is the point person on that and she was not at the meeting. Trustee
24 Ormsby stated that she believes that the trees are to be delivered next week. Arlene Burke
25 was going to follow-up on that to see when the trees were going to be delivered.

26
27 President Jones inquired of Trustee Ormsby as to whether or not they could use the Tree
28 Sharing Program to buy some trees for The Traditions along Crawford. He was
29 wondering if they could get five trees. Trustee Ormsby stated that this year the trees went
30 very quickly. They got eight or nine trees. She will advise Administrator Mekarski of the
31 cost for five trees.

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33 Trustee Ormsby stated that the trees on Kedzie Avenue are a little over planted as they
34 grow. They are looking into perhaps moving some of those trees. She stated that some of
35 those could be moved to The Traditions.

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37 Trustee Ormsby stated that Rich Central got a tree two years ago for Arbor Day. They are
38 not taking care of it. They have made phone calls to them. They say that they will take
39 care of it and they have done nothing. She stated that it bodes badly for the Village as a
40 Tree City. Trustee Ormsby is sending someone over to mulch it. Trustee Ormsby stated
41 that Arcadia let their tree die. Trustee Ormsby stated that she is not putting any trees
42 anywhere unless we have control over them.

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1 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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3 **Recommendation to change the Board Meeting time from 7:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. –**
4 President Jones stated that Trustee Ormsby requested that this be placed on the agenda
5 for discussion. It is a recommendation to change the Board of Trustee Meeting from 7:30
6 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. President Jones stated that he believes that it is a great idea. He
7 inquired of the Trustees as to whether or not any of them are opposed to changing the
8 time of the meetings. The Trustees did not have any objection to changing the time of the
9 Board Meetings. President Jones stated that the new time would start with the meetings in
10 January. He will place it on the agenda for official action at the Board Meeting on
11 October 12th.

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13 **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

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15 President Jones stated that he did not have any Resignations and Appointments.

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17 **ADJOURNMENT:**

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19 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to adjourn at**
20 **10:07 P.M.**

21 **Voice Vote: All Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**

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23 **Respectfully submitted by Faith Stine.**
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