

1 **MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS**  
2 **SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
3 **Held on January 11, 2016**  
4

5 The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at the  
6 Linzey D. Jones Municipal Building and was called to order by Village President Debra Meyers-  
7 Martin at 7:03 P.M. Administrator Mekarski/Village Clerk called the roll.  
8

9 Present: Trustees ó Gibson, Nale, Pennington, Byrd, Hudson, and Waite  
10 Village President Debra Meyers-Martin  
11 Village Administrator/Village Clerk, David Mekarski  
12

13 Absent: None.  
14

15 Village President Meyers-Martin inquired about approving the Board Minutes. Administrator  
16 Mekarski stated that he would hold off until the regular meeting. Typically, at a Special Board  
17 Meeting we don't approve Board Minutes.  
18

19 **BILLS FOR APPROVAL:**  
20

21 Village President Meyers-Martin stated that you have before you tonight Bills for Approval in  
22 the amount of \$369,867.22. Village President Meyers-Martin stated that there is a Cover Memo  
23 designating the more significant payouts.  
24

25 Trustee Pennington had a question of Mr. Landini regarding Top Gunn's Landscaping Invoice in  
26 the amount of \$4,820.00 for the Metra Parking Lot. He presumed that was work that was done in  
27 December.  
28

29 Mr. Landini stated that they are under contract. They are getting paid the same payment every  
30 month per the contract. Trustee Pennington stated no problem. Trustee Pennington thanked Mr.  
31 Landini.  
32

33 Village President Meyers-Martin stated that we were just saying that with the contract, no matter  
34 what the weather is, it is the nature of the business. Trustee Pennington stated that he  
35 understands.  
36

37 **Motion by Trustee Waite, second by Trustee Gibson to approve the payment of Bills for**  
38 **January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016, in the total amount of \$369,867.22.**

39 **Roll Call: Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**  
40

41 **COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:**  
42

43 Village President Meyers-Martin opened Communications & Petitions at 7:07 P.M.  
44

45 **Thank You from Trustee Pennington** - Trustee Pennington stated that his brother, Timothy,  
46 died three-days before Christmas. He thanked the Board, the Village employees, and the Village  
47 residents for their expressions of sympathy shown the Pennington Family during their time of  
48 bereavement. It was greatly appreciated.

1 **Reminder to Residents that the State is not Sending Reminder Notices for License Plate**  
2 **Tags** - Trustee Gibson stated that Secretary of State Jesse White's Office no longer sends out  
3 reminders that your tags are due. It has been in the paper and on television. There are many  
4 people that don't read the paper or listen to the news on television, and are getting into really bad  
5 trouble. They don't remember when their tags are due. They are continuing to wait for a  
6 reminder. They will drive into Chicago and get a Ticket for \$100.00. Since they are late when  
7 they go in to get their tag they are penalized another \$50.00 at the DMV. Trustee Gibson  
8 suggested putting something in the Newsletter to remind people.

9  
10 Trustee Waite stated that he recently paid for the tag for his car online with a credit card. He  
11 stated that by doing it online, they have his e-mail address and they will remind him in the future  
12 to go online and pay for his tag again.

13  
14 Trustee Gibson stated that there are a lot of people that don't have e-mail addresses, and there are  
15 people that don't like to give out their e-mail address. She thought it would be a good idea to put  
16 a small reminder in the next Newsletter. The State is doing it because it costs so much to send a  
17 reminder to everybody in the State of Illinois.

18  
19 Trustee Waite stated that if those people don't have an e-mail, the probability of them reading  
20 the blurb that Madam President sends out in the Newsletter is probably about the same. They  
21 don't read anyway. Trustee Gibson stated that we don't know whether everybody doesn't read.

22  
23 Village President Meyers-Martin stated that is a very good suggestion for us to do. Regardless, if  
24 people read it or not, we can say that we provided that information. We can put it on the  
25 Village's Website. Trustee Gibson suggested that maybe Chief Krull could put it on NIXLE.  
26 Village President Meyers-Martin stated that it doesn't have to be on there all the time, just  
27 periodically to remind people that they will not receive a Notice. She stated that is an excellent  
28 idea.

29  
30 Trustee Waite stated that we could put it on Channel 4. Village President Meyers-Martin stated  
31 yes. It doesn't cost us anything to do that.

32  
33 **Well Water** - Trustee Waite stated that this bottle of liquid tea is manufactured by PepsiCo. He  
34 called PepsiCo and had a nice long chat with the fellow who answered the phone. Trustee Waite  
35 inquired who fills this bottle. It is 16.9 ounces. The young man indicated that their bottlers do  
36 that that are located all over the country. Trustee Waite inquired where they get their water. The  
37 gentleman stated whatever comes out of the tap where the bottling company is located that is the  
38 water that they use. Trustee Waite inquired what percentage of that is likely to be well water.  
39 The gentleman stated probably 80%. Trustee Waite stated that PepsiCo isn't the only company  
40 that uses their well water to fill these bottles. The one that you have right here, this bottle was  
41 filled in upper Michigan. They use well water up there to fill these bottles that you think is so  
42 pure.

43  
44 Trustee Waite stated that he can't stress this enough that we shouldn't have a bias against well  
45 water. When they first moved to the Village 30-years ago, it was the worse water that they had  
46 ever experienced. His wife had a heck of a time with her laundry. He would have to go to the  
47 store and get six-bags of 50-pounds of rock salt and fill the water softener. He stated that when

1 they switched over to Lake Michigan water Mrs. Waite threw all her dishes away that were  
2 ruined by the water and went out and bought new dishes.  
3  
4 **Please Keep Mr. Matt Blevins and his Family in your Prayers** - Village President Meyers-  
5 Martin stated that we had the unfortunate and tragic news of the death of one of our Public  
6 Works Employees. It has been quite devastating to the Village that we lost this young man. She  
7 asked that everyone keep Mr. Matt Blevins and his family in your prayers.  
8  
9 Although, there were members of the public in the audience, no one wished to address the Board.  
10 Village President Meyers-Martin closed Communications & Petitions at 7:14 P.M.

11  
12 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

13  
14 **A. Reciprocal Agreement on Exchange of Information between the Village of Olympia**  
15 **Fields and the Illinois Department of Revenue.**

16  
17 Village President Meyers-Martin stated that the Consent Agenda is for items that are so routine  
18 that they don't require a lot of discussion or Motions. She stated that we have Consent Agenda  
19 Item 4(A).

20 **Motion by Trustee Waite, second by Trustee Byrd to authorize the Village President to**  
21 **execute the Reciprocal Agreement on Exchange of Information between the Village of**  
22 **Olympia Fields and the Illinois Department of Revenue.**

23 **Voice Vote: All Ayes Motion Carried.**

24  
25 **ADJOURNMENT:**

26  
27 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Byrd to adjourn at 7:15 P.M.**

28 **Voice Vote: All Ayes Motion Carried.**

29  
30 **Respectfully submitted by Faith Stine.**

31  
32  
33  
34  
35  
36  
37  
38  
39  
40  
41  
42  
43  
44  
45  
46  
47  
48