

1 **MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS**
2 **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**
3 **Held on July 12, 2010**
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5 The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, July 12, 2010, at the
6 Olympia Fields Village Hall and was called to order by President Jones at 7:00 P.M. The
7 assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Administrator Mekarski called the roll in the
8 absence of the Village Clerk.
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10 Present: Trustees – Gibson, Ormsby, Oliver, Pennington, Nale and Meyers-Martin
11 Village President, Linzey Jones
12 Village Administrator, David Mekarski
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14 Absent: Village Clerk, Judi Rangel
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16 **MINUTES:**
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18 **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Oliver to approve the Minutes of June**
19 **14, 2010, as prepared.**

20 **Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion Carried.**
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22 **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to approve the**
23 **Minutes of June 28, 2010, as prepared.**

24 **Voice Vote: All Ayes. Motion Carried.**
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26 **BILLS FOR APPROVAL:**
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28 President Jones stated that he has Bills for Approval totaling \$135,424.02.

29 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Gibson to approve the payment**
30 **of bills for July 12, 2010, in the total amount of \$135,424.02.**

31 **Roll Call: Ayes (6-0) Motion Carried.**
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33 **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:**
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35 President Jones opened up Communications and Petitions at 7:04 P.M.
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37 **Swearing in New Part-time Officers – Gabriel Alvarado, Miguel Ayala and Michael**
38 **Smith** - President Jones administered the oath of Police Officer to Gabriel Alvarado as
39 follows: "I, Gabriel Alvarado, having been appointed to the position of Police Officer in
40 the Village of Olympia Fields, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, do solemnly
41 swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the
42 State of Illinois, and all Ordinances of the Village of Olympia Fields, and that I will
43 discharge the duties of the position of Police Officer according to the best of my
44 abilities." President Jones congratulated Officer Alvarado. (There was a round of
45 applause).

1 President Jones administered the oath of Police Officer to Miguel Ayala as follows: "I,
2 Miguel Ayala, having been appointed to the position of Police Officer in the Village of
3 Olympia Fields, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, do solemnly swear, that I will
4 support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Illinois,
5 and all Ordinances of the Village of Olympia Fields, and that I will discharge the duties
6 of the position of Police Officer according to the best of my abilities." President Jones
7 congratulated Officer Ayala. (There was a round of applause).

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9 President Jones administered the oath of Police Officer to Michael Smith as follows: "I,
10 Michael Smith, having been appointed to the position of Police Officer in the Village of
11 Olympia Fields, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, do solemnly swear, that I will
12 support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Illinois,
13 and all Ordinances of the Village of Olympia Fields, and that I will discharge the duties
14 of the position of Police Officer according to the best of my abilities." President Jones
15 congratulated Officer Smith. (There was a round of applause). (There was a round of
16 applause for the family members of the three officers that were present).

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18 President Jones stated that we are very proud of these three new, part-time officers. The
19 Village goes through a rigorous process to accept new, part-time officers. He stated that
20 many times the Village finds its permanent, full-time officers from the pool of the
21 Village's part-time officers. He stated that these three officers are already out on the
22 street and doing good work. President Jones told the three officers to stay safe and he
23 welcomed them to the Village of Olympia Fields family. (There was a round of
24 applause).

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26 **Promotions to Corporals – Mark Akiyama, Esteban Lopez, Michael Mayden and**
27 **Donald Dean** - President Jones administered the oath of Police Corporal to Officer
28 Esteban Lopez as follows: "I, Esteban Lopez, having been appointed to the position of
29 Police Corporal in the Village of Olympia Fields, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois,
30 do solemnly swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the
31 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and all Ordinances of the Village of Olympia Fields,
32 and that I will discharge the duties of the position of Police Corporal according to the
33 best of my abilities." President Jones congratulated Corporal Lopez. (There was a round
34 of applause). (There was a round of applause for the family members of Corporal Lopez
35 who were present).

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37 President Jones administered the oath of Police Corporal to Officer Mark Akiyama as
38 follows: "I, Mark Akiyama, having been appointed to the position of Police Corporal in
39 the Village of Olympia Fields, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, do solemnly
40 swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the
41 State of Illinois, and all Ordinances of the Village of Olympia Fields, and that I will
42 discharge the duties of the position of Police Corporal according to the best of my
43 abilities." President Jones congratulated Corporal Akiyama. (There was a round of
44 applause). (There was a round of applause for the family members of Corporal Akiyama
45 who were present).

1 President Jones administered the oath of Police Corporal to Officer Michael Mayden as
2 follows: "I, Michael Mayden, having been appointed to the position of Police Corporal in
3 the Village of Olympia Fields, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, do solemnly
4 swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the
5 State of Illinois, and all Ordinances of the Village of Olympia Fields, and that I will
6 discharge the duties of the position of Police Corporal according to the best of my
7 abilities." President Jones congratulated Corporal Mayden. (There was a round of
8 applause). (There was a round of applause for the family members of Corporal Mayden
9 who were present).

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11 President Jones administered the oath of Police Corporal to Officer Donald Dean as
12 follows: "I, Donald Dean, having been appointed to the position of Police Corporal in the
13 Village of Olympia Fields, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, do solemnly swear,
14 that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State
15 of Illinois, and all Ordinances of the Village of Olympia Fields, and that I will discharge
16 the duties of the position of Police Corporal according to the best of my abilities."
17 President Jones congratulated Corporal Dean. (There was a round of applause). (There
18 was a round of applause for the family members of Corporal Dean who were present).

19
20 President Jones stated that we are proud to appoint the part-time officers. He stated that
21 we are extraordinarily proud of the group of Corporals because they are the future of the
22 Village of Olympia Fields. They are looking at them to be the future leaders of the
23 Command Staff. He stated that this reflects who we are as a community in terms of our
24 diversity and in terms of our high standards of performance, and who we are as people.
25 He stated that he is very proud of this group of Corporals. They have demonstrated over
26 many years their steadfast loyalty to this community, and their leadership capabilities.
27 They exemplify the high quality and high standards that we try to train in all of the
28 Village's officers. They have to demonstrate everyday in the field with the young officers
29 what we expect from our police officers in the Village of Olympia Fields, and how we
30 are going to deal with the public, and elected officials, and everyone else they come into
31 contact with, and the high standards we have as a community. He stated that we are
32 grateful that you have been with the Village for all these years.

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34 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that she wanted to congratulate all of the officers. She
35 stated that it is a pleasure to work with the Public Safety Department, and to work closely
36 with Chief Chudwin and to have such fine, dedicated, professional officers on our team.
37 She stated that the Village expects high standards, and all of the officers' fall into that
38 category of providing high standards of professionalism, dedication, and commitment to
39 the standards of the Village. Trustee Meyers-Martin thanked the family members of the
40 officers for coming this evening. (There was a round of applause).

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42 President Jones thanked the members of the police department that are present this
43 evening to support their fellow officers. (There was a round of applause). President Jones
44 closed Communications and Petitions at 7:28 P.M.

1 **FINANCE:**

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3 **Finance Committee** - Trustee Pennington stated that he did not have a formal report this
4 evening. He stated that the Finance Committee would be meeting on July 13th at the
5 Village Hall to discuss matters of financial importance.

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7 **BUILDING:**

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9 Trustee Ormsby stated that she did not have a formal report this evening.

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11 **PLANNING:**

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13 Trustee Gibson stated that she did not have a formal report this evening.

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15 **PUBLIC WORKS:**

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17 **Recommendation for Payment to Insituform Technologies USA, Inc. -**

18 Trustee Oliver stated that for the last couple of meetings we have been seeking the
19 approval of the Board and Village President to pay bills on projects that are in different
20 phases of completion. In the Board Packet are two recommendations for payments.

21 **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to approve payment**
22 **to Insituform Technologies USA, Inc. in the amount of \$297,184.95 for work**
23 **completed in connection with the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Cured-In-Place**
24 **Pipelining and Lateral Cured-In-Place Pipelining, Payment Request #3 under Loan**
25 **ARRA Number L-170052.**

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

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28 **Recommendation for Payment to Kim Construction Company, Inc. –**

29 **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to approve payment**
30 **to Kim Construction Company Inc. in the amount of \$61,623.00 for work completed**
31 **in connection with the Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project, Payment**
32 **Request #4 under the ARRA Loan Number L-170052.**

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

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35 **HUMAN RESOURCES:**

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37 Trustee Nale stated that she did not have a formal report this evening.

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39 **PUBLIC SAFETY:**

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41 **Public Safety Committee** - Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that she did not have a formal
42 report this evening. Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that the Public Safety Committee met
43 on June 16th. At that meeting, the committee members received information indicating
44 that there is a 66% increase in the RedFlex Camera Operation.

1 Trustee Pennington inquired of Trustee Meyers-Martin what that translates to in dollars.
2 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that she did not have that figure this evening.

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4 President Jones stated that the Village is now seeing revenue in the \$9,000.00 to
5 \$10,000.00 range from RedFlex. He stated that is a significant jump in revenue from
6 what it has been.

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8 President Jones stated that there is a new law regulating the use of Red Light Cameras
9 that went into effect on July 1st. The Village is reviewing the new law and comparing it
10 against the Village's current standard of practices to see if the Village has to modify
11 anything. He stated that the cameras are still allowed. The fine is still \$100.00. The nature
12 of the violation is still the same. The new law provides that an officer must review the
13 tape before a Citation is issued. The Village already had that process in place. The other
14 thing was to insure that people could stop on the other side of the white line and still not
15 be treated as violating the statute. He stated that the officers were not ticketing anybody if
16 they happened to stop on the other side of the white line anyway. The other change was
17 the law permitted you to actually attach a penalty to contest the ticket. He believes that
18 the new statute forbids you to attach an additional amount just for contesting the ticket.
19 He stated that the Village is not going to change anything. It is not going to add any
20 additional costs or fines unless the statute requires the Village to do so.

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22 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that she and Chief Chudwin would continue to monitor the
23 numbers coming in from RedFlex to see if the increase in revenue continues.

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25 **REPORT OF VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:**

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27 **Lincoln/Western Corridor Tri-Party Agreement/Currie Motors – Amended Sales**
28 **Tax Agreement** – Administrator Mekarski stated that the first item on his report is the
29 Economic Development Strategy for the Lincoln/Western Corridor. There is a
30 Memorandum in the Board Packet dated July 12th with a Tri-Party Agreement which
31 effectuates the Currie Sales Tax Amendment. The former owner of the Harold Motors
32 property has made a Purchase Agreement to purchase the Currie Motors site consisting of
33 nine acres. The Harold Motors site is about nine acres. The combined properties provide
34 an 18-acre site to attract a mid box or a big box retail facility. The Purchase Agreement is
35 running out. Currie Motors has requested Joe Salamone of Olympia Fields, LLC to
36 provide some liquidity or financial interest to extend that.

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38 Administrator Mekarski stated that there is a need to extend the Purchase Agreement
39 because the targeted retailers that the Village is working with, is still going through a due
40 diligence period. He does not know if the extension will have to be for 30 days or as
41 much as one year. A Public/Private Partnership has been crafted whereby the Village
42 would offer to Currie Motors 100% of the sales tax, the Village's share for up to one
43 year. This is equivalent to about \$24,000.00. That money would be given to Currie
44 Motors in the form of a Sales Tax Rebate. Currie Motors would extend at no cost to Joe
45 Salamone, or Olympia Fields, LLC an extension for up to one year. The Village has
46 established a Tax Incremental Financing District. If the Village secures the retail

1 development, the Village would be able to recapture 100% of that \$24,000.00 through the
2 TIF Agreement. After the due diligence period, the Village is proposing to eliminate the
3 \$50,000.00 threshold. The first \$50,000.00 in sales tax received by the Village would be
4 captured by the Village, and thereafter it would be proportionately distributed according
5 to the contract. After the due diligence period, it will be a 50/50 share. The financial
6 impact to the Village would be at current volumes, approximately \$12,000.00. There is
7 no reimbursement for that under the TIF District. The Village believes that is a
8 reasonable request since Currie has been working to not expand its storage facility on the
9 site and has donated \$10,000.00 towards the Lincoln/Western Corridor Plan that was
10 funded by DCEO. Administrator Mekarski has reviewed the Agreement with President
11 Jones, the Village Attorney, the Village's Finance Director, as well as the Chairman of
12 the Finance Committee. The Motion is for the Board to give authorization to the Village
13 President to enter into this Agreement if it is ready to be signed, and to give him the
14 authority to approve minor, nonsubstantive amendments. If there are any substantive
15 amendments, the contract would be brought back before the Board.

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17 Administrator Mekarski stated that the Agreement cannot be executed at this time
18 because there are some major developments happening in the Lincoln/Western Corridor.
19 Food 4 Less has signed a 21 year lease for the site on Lincoln and Western. Construction
20 will begin in November. Their involvement for that corridor is affecting the possible
21 Purchase Agreement Currie Motors has with Chicago Heights to secure the site adjacent
22 to Food 4 Less. Until some of these issues are resolved, this Agreement cannot be
23 executed. Due to the fact, the Board is going on summer recess; they are asking the Board
24 to give President Jones authorization to execute the Agreement if it is deemed necessary,
25 appropriate, and advisable by the Village Attorney.

26 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Nale to authorize the Village**
27 **President to execute a Tri-Party Agreement with the Village of Olympia Fields,**
28 **Olympia Fields, LLC, Curfin Oldsmobile, Inc./Curfin Holding Company, Inc. to**
29 **advance the Village's economic development objectives for the Lincoln/Western**
30 **Corridor; and, further authorize the President to approve and execute final**
31 **nonsubstantive amendments as recommended by the Village Attorney.**

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33 Trustee Ormsby stated that it seems complicated to her. President Jones stated that we are
34 trying to hold a deal together to insure the long-term retail development of this site. The
35 larger retail user has not been formally brought on Board yet. He stated that we need
36 more time for the Harold Motors owners/developers to pursue that opportunity. In order
37 to let the contract continue, Currie has to get some cash in. He stated that unfortunately,
38 our developer does not have a lot of cash and the Village has been asked to come in to fill
39 that void with this tax revenue. He stated that it is in the best interest of the Village to do
40 this. If the retail development takes place, the Village will be reimbursed through the TIF
41 Fund. He stated that if the deal doesn't take place in the next six months or so, then all
42 three parties will be revisiting this. Currie's option on the property across the street in
43 Chicago Heights runs out on July 31st of this year. Chicago Heights owns the property
44 that Currie is trying to purchase. No one knows whether or not Chicago Heights is
45 agreeable to extend their option.

1 President Jones stated that he and Administrator Mekarski met with the General Counsel
2 for Chicago Heights to find out what was happening with Food 4 Less. He stated that as
3 we get closer to July 31st the Board will be kept apprised via e-mail as to whether or not
4 he signed the Agreement.

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6 President Jones stated that Food 4 Less will be building out the old Dominick's building.
7 Currie Motors wants the parcel that is adjacent to Food 4 Less. Food 4 Less is thinking
8 they may want that parcel for a gas station if they can't build out the old Amoco Station
9 that is shuttered at the corner. There are some EPA problems with the old Amoco.

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11 Administrator Mekarski stated that Food 4 Less is a Kroger's business.

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

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14 **Assignment of The Traditions Subdivision Bond** – Administrator Mekarski stated that
15 the next item is the Assignment of The Traditions Subdivision Bond. He stated that this is
16 the Village's attempt to secure a strategy towards the final paving of the dedicated streets
17 in The Traditions Subdivision. The Royal Bank of Canada has agreed to accept the
18 assignment of the Subdivision Bond which is in the amount of \$505,000.00. They will
19 pursue negotiations and/or a legal strategy to try to secure those funds. If they secure the
20 funds, they would finance the paving through those bonds. There are some amendments
21 that may be made. The Village Attorney has been attempting to reach the Royal Bank of
22 Canada with regard to some of the provisions. The Motion is to allow the Village
23 President to execute the Agreement upon the final changes as recommended by the
24 Village Attorney. It is the Village Attorney's recommendation to go forward with an SSA
25 strategy in The Traditions. The Special Service Area (SSA) is a mechanism to allow the
26 homeowners to finance over a life of a debt service, 15 years, the cost of the repaving.

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28 Administrator Mekarski provided the Board with some questions and answers regarding a
29 Special Service Area that was prepared by the Village Attorney. The State Law requires a
30 majority of the property owners and a majority of the registered voters. The Royal Bank
31 of Canada cannot veto the citizens' interest to go forward with this development because
32 they are not registered voters in the Village. He stated that the Motion is to authorize the
33 Village President to execute the Assignment of Subdivision Bond following final review
34 and amendments as suggested by the Village Attorney. He would ask the Board to give
35 him authority to reach out to the residents to initiate their interests towards bringing an
36 Ordinance before the Board probably in August, establishing and beginning the 120-day
37 process for the Special Service Area.

38 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to authorize the**
39 **Village President to execute the Assignment of Subdivision Bond following final**
40 **review and nonsubstantive amendments as suggested by the Village Attorney.**

41
42 President Jones stated that we will come back to the Board probably in August to start
43 working on the Special Service Area, so that by spring something will be in place to put
44 this road in. He stated that we can't wait past the spring because we will be putting in the
45 entire road and not just the final coat, but everything.

1 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that she had a question regarding some of the language.
2 She stated that on Page 3, under “Assignment Assumption,” number 3 entitled “Demand
3 on Bond,” states as follows: “The assignee has full and absolute authority to prosecute or
4 compromise the Village’s claims against Lexon,” which is the insurance company,
5 “pursuant to the Bond, and may abandon its efforts to enforce the Bond at any time in
6 Assignee’s sole and absolute discretion.” She inquired of President Jones that if they do
7 that, where that leaves the Village.
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9 President Jones stated that he had asked the same question. President Jones asked the
10 Village Attorney to make some minor modifications to this so that if certain due diligence
11 doesn’t occur within a certain timeframe, this assignment will essentially distinguish
12 itself. The assignment will terminate and the Bond will come back to the Village. The
13 Village Attorney is working on tweaking that language with counsel from the Royal
14 Bank of Canada. As a practical matter, President Jones does not believe the Village
15 would pursue litigation under the Bond. He stated that it is expensive litigation. The
16 Village would not be able to recoup that money.

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

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19 There being no objections by the Board, Administrator Mekarski will contact Don
20 Pebworth and The Traditions to evaluate the interest for the Special Service Area.
21 President Jones stated that we will proceed with this and come back before the Board in
22 August.
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24 **Southland College Prep School – High School District 227’s Complaint for**
25 **Administrative Review** – Administrator Mekarski stated that the next item on his report
26 is regarding Southland College Prep School and High School District 227’s Complaint
27 for Administrative Review. In the Board Packet is the complaint that was filed by District
28 227. This is the District’s attempt to put a preliminary or permanent injunction on the
29 Illinois State Board of Education’s (ISBE) decision to overturn the appeal for the creation
30 of the Charter School.
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32 Administrator Mekarski stated that a Court Hearing will be held on July 13th at 9:30 A.M.
33 in the Chancery Court at the Daley Center before Judge Stuart Palmer. Dr. Davis has
34 asked for a delegation from the Olympia Fields Education Commission and concerned
35 citizens to attend the court proceedings. Just prior to the Board Meeting, Administrator
36 Mekarski received a copy of District 162’s response to the complaint. He did not have an
37 opportunity to distribute copies of the response to the Board.
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39 He stated that the Charter School has completed its enrollment. There are 125 students
40 enrolled with 25 students on a waiting list. Everything is set for the Charter School to
41 open in August.
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43 Trustee Pennington inquired as to who is representing the Charter School. President
44 Jones stated that Robert Hall is representing District 162.
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1 **Emergency Generators – Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations** – Administrator Mekarski
2 stated that a meeting was held on July 9th to discuss the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation
3 Project and the status of the Code Enforcement Program to try to eliminate the infiltration
4 and inflow into the Village’s Sanitary Sewers. There was discussion to determine
5 whether or not there are available funds to purchase some upgrades and/or replacements
6 for the emergency generators at the Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations. The financial summary
7 was forwarded to the Board via e-mail. The variance remaining in the \$2,300,000.00
8 bond issuance is a little over \$300,000.00 which would allow the Village to purchase two
9 or three major generators. The 40-year old generator at the Kedzie Avenue Lift Station
10 needs to be replaced. That generator serves 80% of the Village. If that generator fails in a
11 power failure, 80% of the Village could have sanitary sewer backups. The cost to replace
12 that generator is about \$200,000.00.

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14 Administrator Mekarski stated that the second priority would be the replacement of the
15 generator at the Woodstock Lift Station. The replacement cost is about \$80,000.00. The
16 third priority is the generator located at the Maynegaite Lift Station. He stated that we
17 have authorized the engineers to go out and bid. If they can come back with a
18 recommendation in August to purchase all three of them, they will do so. If not, they will
19 recommend that just two generators be purchased.

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21 He stated that the Board was provided with a Memorandum where they asked Robinson
22 Engineering to do some investigative work on infiltration and inflow that is coming from
23 the Western Avenue homes and the Irons Oaks property. There are only six or seven
24 homes along Western Avenue going towards Country Club Drive and Irons Oaks. The
25 flow monitoring is showing 330,000 gallons per minute going into the sewer system.
26 That is almost twice the capacity that is designed for all of Graymoor. If this infiltration
27 and inflow is not eliminated, it will continue to tax the Sewer System towards the Woods
28 Station which is on Country Club Drive. The Village has authorized Smoke Testing and
29 Field Investigations, Televising, and whatever is necessary. There could be a manhole
30 that is being utilized by a homeowner as a drain.

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32 Trustee Gibson inquired of President Jones as to whether or not the Village is planning
33 on having the generators for the other Lift Stations put in place for next year. President
34 Jones stated that the Village would not be able to afford that. He stated that replacing the
35 generator for the Kedzie Lift Station has to be done. He stated that putting in a permanent
36 generator for the Woodstock Lift Station must be done, because the portable generator is
37 not powerful enough to run that station. The portable generator is sufficient to keep the
38 other Lift Stations running. It is not optimal. President Jones believes that every year the
39 Village should pickup one or two generators depending on the revenue flow. He thought
40 that it could be done over a four to five year period.

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42 Trustee Pennington stated that the Graymoor Lift Station has a backup generator. If the
43 problem is cured on Western Avenue, that will cure a lot of the problems within
44 Graymoor. He stated that the Kedzie Avenue generator and the Woodstock generator are
45 essential.

1 **Economic Development – Lincoln/Western Corridor** – Administrator Mekarski stated
2 that the Village’s partner with the economic development at the Lincoln/Western
3 Corridor is Olympia Fields, LLC. They are one of the ones pursuing the retail target, and
4 they would like to begin immediate advertising with CB Richard Ellis for their outlots.
5 There is a \$400.00 fee. In the spirit of partnership, they had asked if the Board would
6 waive that fee. President Jones directed this matter to the Board.

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8 Trustee Ormsby suggested that in the spirit of partnership, the Board give them a 50%
9 discount. Trustee Gibson was in agreement with that suggestion.

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11 Trustee Pennington inquired of Administrator Mekarski where this advertising would be
12 located. Administrator Mekarski stated that it would be the outlots on the
13 Lincoln/Western Corridor in front of Harold Motors.

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15 Administrator Mekarski stated that it is consistent with what you are doing with all TIF
16 expenditures. We are cutting our TIF expenditures for consulting, legal, and
17 administrative 50/50 as well.

18 **Motion by Trustee Oliver, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to approve the waiver**
19 **of \$200.00 of the \$400.00 fee for installing the marketing sign within the TIF**
20 **District.**

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

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23 **REPORT OF VILLAGE PRESIDENT:**

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25 President Jones stated that he did not have a report this evening.

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27 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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29 **Stamper Park** – Trustee Ormsby inquired of Trustee Pennington whether or not he was
30 able to have the meeting with Metra regarding Stamper Park. Trustee Pennington stated
31 that the meeting regarding Stamper Park was scheduled, but then the meeting was
32 cancelled. Trustee Pennington will be meeting with Metra on July 16th. He will try to
33 reschedule the meeting regarding Stamper Park at that time.

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35 Trustee Ormsby stated that we cleaned up Stamper Park. She stated that we will keep it in
36 that state until we hear something from Metra.

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38 **Jewel-Osco** – Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that previously Trustee Gibson spoke about
39 the condition of the Jewel-Osco and their produce department. Trustee Meyers-Martin
40 stated that she was there recently and they are out of stock on a lot of things. They have
41 been out of stock for two weeks on some things. She doesn’t know what is going on with
42 the management there. The freezer cases are scrungy. Trustee Gibson stated that
43 sometimes the freezer cases are shut down altogether and they are not even working.
44 Trustee Meyers-Martin was wondering if Food 4 Less came in if that would motivate the
45 Jewel-Osco to make their improvements and do the remodeling.

1 President Jones stated that the Village believes that Jewel wants to remain a major player
2 in this marketplace at that location. He will have Administrator Mekarski, John
3 McDonnell, and the Health Inspector speak with management at the Jewel.

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5 Administrator Mekarski stated that Jewel is talking about doing \$3,000,000.00 to
6 \$4,000,000.00 in renovations. Jewel was waiting to find out if Food 4 Less was going to
7 come in or not. Trustee Ormsby doesn't understand why they would have to wait to see
8 whether or not Food 4 Less was coming in before they do the renovations to their store.

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10 Administrator Mekarski stated that he will speak with corporate from Jewel on July 14th,
11 because he has to convey to them all of the documents from Chicago Heights to provide
12 validity on the Food 4 Less deal. Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that it seems like their
13 standards should be higher than what they are.

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15 **Lost Water Sample** – Trustee Nale inquired of President Jones as to whatever happened
16 to the lost water sample from Public Works. President Jones stated that we never lost a
17 water sample. He stated that the water samples were delivered to the IEPA in a timely
18 fashion. They were tested in a timely fashion. The Village is in compliance with the
19 IEPA regarding the Village's water.

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21 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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23 **Inquiry by a Resident** - Trustee Gibson stated that prior to coming to the meeting this
24 evening, she received a telephone call from the resident at 3543 Ithaca Road. 203rd Street
25 is behind her home. It is closer to Governors Highway. The resident inquired of Trustee
26 Gibson as to who is responsible for keeping the weeds and bushes trimmed along the
27 right-of-way near Governors Highway on 203rd Street.

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29 President Jones stated that Governors Highway is the State's responsibility. It is their
30 road. But the State won't do it. He stated that if Public Works has the time, periodically
31 they will go out there and cut the weeds and trim the grass when it is getting out of hand.
32 Sometimes they will trim the bushes. He stated that it is a hazard to see at the corner of
33 Governors Highway and 203rd Street if there is a lot of growth there.

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35 Trustee Gibson stated that the resident was referring to 203rd Street. President Jones
36 stated that 203rd Street is the Village's responsibility. He stated that he would speak with
37 Joe Alexa and if the area the resident is referring to is in the Village's right-of-way, the
38 Village will take care of it.

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40 **Pathways at the Ponds by the Metra Station** – Trustee Meyers-Martin inquired as to
41 who is responsible for the pathways by the ponds, by the Metra Station, in regard to
42 cleanup. She is referring to the path that goes all the way around and leads into Olympia
43 Club. Administrator Mekarski stated that the majority of that has been given to the
44 Homeowners Association. The Park District took the wetland area for a preserve area.

1 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that the geese sometimes leave a lot of droppings and the
2 droppings are on the walkway. Trustee Ormsby stated that she and Administrator
3 Mekarski walked that area with the homeowners last year.

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5 President Jones stated that he and Administrator Mekarski would take a walk in that area
6 and assess the situation.

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8 **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

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10 President Jones stated that he does not have any Resignations or Appointments.

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12 **EXECUTIVE SESSION: - To Discuss Matters of Personnel Under 5 ILCS
13 120/2(c)(1) –**

14 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Nale to go into Executive Session
15 to discuss matters of personnel at 8:23 P.M.**

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

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18 **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:**

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20 **Motion by Trustee Ormsby, second by Trustee Oliver to return to Open Session at
21 8:54 P.M.**

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

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24 **ADJOURNMENT:**

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26 **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Oliver to adjourn at 8:54 P.M.**

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

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29 **Respectfully submitted by Faith Stine.**

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