

1                                   **MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS**  
2                                   **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
3                                   **Held on September 14, 2009**  
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5   The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, September 14, 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  
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13   Absent: Village Administrator, David Mekarski – He is attending the ICMA Conference.  
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15   **MINUTES:**  
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17   **Motion by Trustee Gibson, second by Trustee Pennington to approve the Minutes of**  
18   **August 24, 2009, as amended.**

19   **Voice Vote:                   All Ayes (6-0)                                   Motion Carried.**  
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21   **BILLS FOR APPROVAL:**  
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23   **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to approve the**  
24   **payment of bills for September 14, 2009, in the total amount of \$203,289.76.**

25   **Roll Call:                   All Ayes (6-0)                                   Motion Carried.**  
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27   **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:**  
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29   President Jones opened up Communications and Petitions at 7:35 P.M.

30   **Crossover from Travers to Graymoor** – Mrs. Taffy Mack who resides at 71 Graymoor,  
31   stated that she is before the Board with her continued concern for the safety at Joe Orr  
32   Road between Marian High School and Western Avenue. She met with Commander Frey  
33   on August 11<sup>th</sup>. She has seen the officers sitting in their squad cars at the entrance from  
34   Joe Orr and Graymoor. She is grateful for the improved police surveillance. Mrs. Mack  
35   suggested that someone speak to the County about lowering the speed limit to 35 in the  
36   school area.  
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38   Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that at the previous Board Meeting the Board had requested  
39   that the Chief and the Public Safety Committee check into the investigation of that  
40   accident. They were also going to look into the timing at the traffic light at Joe Orr Road.  
41   In the Board Packet there is a letter from Sergeant Clinton Wagner of the Flossmoor  
42   Police Department. He is a State Certified Traffic Crash Reconstructionist Specialist. The  
43   timing of the traffic light would not have done anything to prevent the accident that  
44   occurred. They feel that the traffic signals at that corner are in line with the way that  
45   traffic should flow at that intersection. If anyone has any concerns about the traffic flow  
46   or traffic patterns at that intersection, they are welcome to come in and speak with Chief

1 Chudwin regarding the findings of the report. President Jones closed Communications  
2 and Petitions at 7:40 P.M.

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4 **FINANCE:**

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6 **2009-2010 Health Insurance Renewal** – Trustee Pennington stated that he is presenting  
7 what he deems is a very significant change in the Village's Health Insurance renewal for  
8 the Village employees. October 1<sup>st</sup> is the anniversary of the Village's Group Insurance  
9 Plan. The Memo in the Board Packet provides an overview of the Village's Group  
10 Insurance Plan for the upcoming benefit year. For the 2009-2010 fiscal year, Blue Cross  
11 Blue Shield includes an increase of 4.7% for the Village's HMO Plan, and a 1.3%  
12 increase for the PPO Plan. Trustee Pennington stated that this is significant because,  
13 typically, the Village would see renewal rate increases in the amount of 10% to 15%. The  
14 Village had budgeted for a 15% increase. The Village can expect a savings in the amount  
15 of \$31,156.10 for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

16 **Motion by Trustee Ormsby, second by Trustee Nale to adopt the 2009-2010 Health  
17 Insurance Renewal Agreement with Blue Cross Blue Shield as presented.**

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19 Trustee Ormsby inquired of Trustee Pennington as to why the increase for the HMO is  
20 higher than the PPO. She thought it would be the opposite. Trustee Pennington stated  
21 that, historically, the percentage increase in the HMO Plans do run a little higher than the  
22 PPO Plans. President Jones stated that the base rates are higher. Trustee Pennington  
23 stated that the Village's claim experience is quite good.

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

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26 **BUILDING:**

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

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30 **PLANNING:**

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

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34 **PUBLIC WORKS:**

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36 **Recommendation for Payment to National Power Rodding** – Trustee Oliver stated  
37 that he has two items for payment. In the Board Packet are Memos regarding these  
38 matters. The first is a recommendation for payment to National Power Rodding  
39 Corporation in the amount of \$123,180.12 for the work completed in conjunction with  
40 the 2008 Sewer Maintenance Preparatory Cleaning and Internal Sewer Television  
41 Inspection. This is the final payment request.

42 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Nale to approve the payment to  
43 National Power Rodding Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$123,180.12 for  
44 the work completed in conjunction with the 2008 Sewer Maintenance Preparatory  
45 Cleaning and Internal Sewer Television Inspection – Estimate #3 and Final Payment  
46 Request.**

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

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3 **Recommendation for Payment to Insituform Technologies USA Inc.** – Trustee Oliver  
4 stated that Robinson Engineering is asking for an approval for payment to Insituform  
5 Technologies for the work that they have completed in conjunction with the Sanitary  
6 Sewer Rehabilitation Cured-In-Place Pipelining in the Graymoor and Hawthorne Hills  
7 Subdivisions. The amount is \$160,530.82.

8 **Motion by Trustee Oliver, second by Trustee Pennington, to approve payment to**  
9 **Insituform Technologies USA Inc. in the amount of \$160,530.82 for work completed**  
10 **in conjunction with the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Cured-In-Place Pipelining in**  
11 **the Graymoor and Hawthorne Hills Subdivisions – Payment Request #2.**

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

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14 **HUMAN RESOURCES:**

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16 **Safety Committee** – Trustee Nale stated that she did not have a formal report this  
17 evening. The Human Resource Committee will meet on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 P.M.

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19 **PUBLIC SAFETY:**

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21 **Crossover from Travers to Graymoor** - President Jones asked Trustee Meyers-Martin  
22 to inform Mr. Francisco about the information regarding Joe Orr Road that she had  
23 previously advised Mrs. Mack about.

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25 Trustee Meyers Martin stated that at the last Board Meeting, Mr. Francisco had requested  
26 some information on the Traffic Study regarding the traffic light at Joe Orr Road and  
27 Western Avenue as far as the timing, and how that may have affected the accident that  
28 had occurred there. She stated that she had relayed that information to Chief Chudwin.  
29 The Board has a letter from Sergeant Clinton Wagner of the Flossmoor Police  
30 Department. He is a State Certified Traffic Crash Reconstructionist Specialist. It is their  
31 conclusion that the timing of the traffic light at Joe Orr Road and Western Avenue is not  
32 improper, and would not have affected the circumstances of that accident. If anyone has  
33 any concerns about the traffic flow or traffic patterns at that intersection, they are  
34 welcome to come in and speak with Chief Chudwin regarding the report. Mr. Francisco  
35 thanked Trustee Meyers-Martin.

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37 **K-9 Unit** – Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that there is a Memo in the Board Packet from  
38 Chief Chudwin regarding a proposal for the Public Safety Committee of Olympia Fields  
39 to acquire a K-9 Unit. The proposal was introduced to the Public Safety Committee at  
40 their last meeting. Everyone was very enthusiastic about it. The Memo sets out a first  
41 year budget analysis of what this would cost. She stated that a lot of those costs are one-  
42 time costs that would be paid at the initial acquisition of the dog. It also mentions how  
43 these funds could be raised. The business community has expressed some enthusiasm to  
44 provide some of the funds. The Asset Forfeiture Funds could be used to fund the  
45 acquisition of the dog.

1 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that the Memo outlines that the K-9 Units have been  
2 helpful and beneficial in solving crimes in the area. The police department has had to  
3 borrow K-9 Units from other area police departments. She stated that this matter is not up  
4 for action this evening by the Board.

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6 Trustee Ormsby inquired as to whether or not Chief Chudwin could attend a Board  
7 Meeting and speak to the Board about this. President Jones stated that the Chief could  
8 attend the next Board Meeting.

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10 Trustee Nale inquired if this would be for next year's Budget. President Jones stated that  
11 there is a program that commences in October. That is why it is being brought before the  
12 Board now. President Jones believes that it is a worthy idea. He does share the point that  
13 Trustee Nale is making, that perhaps it ought to be worked into the Budget process and  
14 be handled in a more orderly way. He believes that the officer that is interested in taking  
15 on this responsibility is eager to get going on it. He stated that Chief Chudwin would  
16 discuss all of this at the next Board Meeting.

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18 **RedFlex** – Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that the RedFlex Camera System at Orchard  
19 and Route 30 is up and running. It has proven to be quite significant in its findings as to  
20 people actually going through the red lights without stopping.

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22 **REPORT OF VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:**

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24 There is no report by the Village Administrator.

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26 **REPORT OF VILLAGE PRESIDENT:**

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28 **Ordinance #2009-12** – President Jones stated that Ordinance #2009-12 is an Ordinance  
29 through which the Board can outlaw video gaming in the Village of Olympia Fields.  
30 President Jones stated that in order to fund the State Capital Plan, the State proposes to  
31 License Video Poker Machines in bar and entertainment facilities throughout the State of  
32 Illinois. He stated that a lot of jurisdictions are looking at this. Some jurisdictions have  
33 voted to prohibit video gaming within their jurisdiction. He believes the only place in  
34 Olympia Fields that might be able to have it is Burgundy Bistro. He stated that you might  
35 be able to place it in Captain Hooks. In his opinion, it is just bad public policy. He would  
36 like the Board to consider the Ordinance and the background information. He would like  
37 to take this matter up for formal action at the next Board Meeting.

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39 Trustee Meyers-Martin inquired of President Jones that if the Board allowed the Video  
40 Poker, and if it was in Burgundy Bistro, would that transfer to whomever came into that  
41 space. President Jones stated yes. The State Gaming Board sets up the rules and  
42 regulations for it. The applications for the Video Poker Machines go straight to the State  
43 Gaming Board. They approve the licenses.

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45 **Ordinance #2009-13** - President Jones stated that CVS has opened. The Grand Opening  
46 with the ribbon cutting ceremony takes place on September 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. President

1 Jones stated that CVS typically operates with a Liquor License. At the last Board  
2 Meeting President Jones stated that he would have Chief Chudwin do an assessment of  
3 the security protocols that CVS uses in overseeing their liquor departments and liquor  
4 sales. There is a Memo in the Board Packet from Chief Chudwin and Administrator  
5 Mekarski, stating that they don't have any objection to the CVS having a Liquor License.  
6 It will be the same kind of Liquor License that the Jewel/Osco has.

7 **Motion by Trustee Oliver, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to approve on First**  
8 **and Second Reading proposed Ordinance #2009-13 – An Ordinance Amending**  
9 **Section 4-9(2.1), "Hours of Sale," of Chapter 4, Article I, and Section 4-35,**  
10 **"Maximum Number," of Chapter 4, Article II, "Licenses," of the Olympia Fields**  
11 **Village Code.**

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

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14 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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16 **Ordinances and Associated Fees** - Trustee Ormsby stated that she, Trustee Gibson and  
17 the Building Commissioner, would be meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup> to review the  
18 Ordinances and the costs on some of the Village's Ordinances. They are going to do that  
19 quickly so that they can get them before the Board so that some of the costs can be  
20 waived for the residents.

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22 **Lupus Walk** – President Jones stated that due to the great work of our Village Clerk and  
23 others, we had the first Lupus Walk in the south suburbs.

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25 Village Clerk Judi Rangel stated that we did have the first Lupus Walk on the south side.  
26 Over 200 people attended. President Jones spoke to the participants. State Representative  
27 Al Riley was there. Jim Collins, the coach of the UIC Basketball Team was there along  
28 with the team. The event was held at Bicentennial Park. Everyone had a good time. They  
29 are going to have another Lupus Walk at Bicentennial Park. She hopes that everyone will  
30 come out for that one as well.

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32 **Arcadia School** – President Jones stated that representatives of Arcadia School would be  
33 going to Washington, D.C. in November to receive a National Award for the high quality  
34 performance of that school. He will get more information to the Board on that. President  
35 Jones attended the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Matteson School on Sauk Trail where a  
36 new addition was opened to that building. Dr. Davis and Pat Ransford spoke about the  
37 upcoming award. He stated that this is very good for our area.

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39 **Metra Event** – Trustee Pennington stated that on Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup> he participated  
40 with Larry Green and his team, and Tom MacNamara in the Metra Public Safety Blitz. It  
41 went from 4:30 A.M. to 8:30 A.M. This is held every year, but every four years it comes  
42 to Olympia Fields. It outlines and discusses public safety on the trains. Officer Kickert  
43 and Officer Maiden of the Olympia Fields Police Department were there. He stated that  
44 it was interesting, and he is glad that he had a chance to participate.

1 Trustee Meyers-Martin stated that when you are on a Metra express train and trouble  
2 breaks out on that train, it does not stop. She inquired of Trustee Pennington as to  
3 whether or not policy was discussed about that at all. Trustee Pennington stated that it  
4 wasn't discussed with him. He stated that this is the first he has ever heard of that. He  
5 suggested that Trustee Meyers-Martin send him a letter regarding the incident. She stated  
6 that she would.

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8 President Jones believes that Trustee Pennington's presence on the Metra Board is going  
9 to pay major dividends for the entire region. He stated that we are grateful that Trustee  
10 Pennington took on that additional Board responsibility.

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12 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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14 **Diversity, Inc. Dinner** – President Jones stated that the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner and Awards  
15 Ceremony for Diversity, Inc. would be held on September 24, 2009. The Village  
16 budgeted for two tables. The Board must let Cindy Saenz or Naomi Perkins know by  
17 September 21<sup>st</sup> if they will be attending.

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19 **Park District Event** - President Jones stated that the Park District is hosting an event  
20 "Partners After Hours" on September 24, 2009, from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at Sergeant  
21 Means Park in the barn. There is an invitation in the Board Packet for the Trustees. This  
22 is a gathering of community government, schools, organizations and individuals to talk  
23 about how to improve the quality of life for the area. He stated that anyone in this room is  
24 welcome to attend.

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26 **Education Commission** – President Jones stated that the Education Commission is  
27 partnering with Rich Central High School to help defray the cost of busing juniors,  
28 seniors, and some sophomores to the College Fair that takes place at Navy Pier in  
29 October. The criteria have been established as to which students will be eligible to  
30 participate. A parent or guardian must accompany the student to the College Fair.

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32 President Jones stated that he applauds Trustee Oliver, the Education Commission, and  
33 Administrator Mekarski for this endeavor.

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35 **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

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

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39 **ADJOURNMENT:**

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41 **Motion by Trustee Pennington, second by Trustee Meyers-Martin to adjourn at**  
42 **8:15 P.M.**

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

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45 **Respectfully submitted by Faith Stine.**