

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
28 JULY 2015**

President Pulia called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Deputy Clerk Jessica Spencer called the roll:

Present: Village President Pulia and Trustees Carl Celestino, Frank Perry, Celestine Reda, and Tom Yurkovich

Also Present: Village Manager Janet Matthys, Attorney Michael Durkin, Chief Jim Adams, Deputy Chief Mike O'Hagan, Maureen Potempa, Melissa Headley, Robert Lewis and Greg Hribal

Absent: Trustees Nick Steker & Angelo Calcagno

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. License Agreement with STPS – President Pulia requested to table this item to the next meeting, based on a request from the Save the Prairie organization.
- B. Disposition of Surplus Equipment – Fire Hoses – Chief Adams – President Pulia called for any discussion. No one responded, so he requested that this item be moved to the next Board meeting.
- C. Public Works Staffing – President Pulia requested that the Board consider adding an additional staff person in the Public Works Department. The Department has benefited from 4 summer help workers; however their time is almost over. Also, there are many in-house projects going on, as Mr. Lewis discussed during the Board meeting. President Pulia has spoken to Ms. Matthys who feels comfortable affording this position, even though it is not currently budgeted. Trustee Perry addressed President Pulia with some questions regarding the financial implications of adding this position at this time.
- D. 2015 Street Improvement Program Bid Results – Mr. Lewis – K5 was the low bid for this project, however all 4 received were close. He recommends the Board approve the contract to K5 at the next meeting.
- E. AARP Age-Friendly Cities Program – Ms. Spencer presented a program that would help the Village be more comfortable for residents of all ages, but with a focus on those over 50 years of age. With no further discussion, the topic was moved to the next Board meeting.
- F. Surplus Property – Chief Carpino – President Pulia called for any discussion. No one responded, so he requested that this item be moved to the next Board meeting.
- G. 2015 Utility Rate Study – Mr. Lewis spoke of the benefits of conducting the rate study. With no further discussion, the topic was moved to the next Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Emergency Repairs – Concrete Street Poles – President Pulia described the new requirements from IDOT that the Village must abide by. It was Mr. Lewis' recommendation to accept IDOT's policy. With no further discussion, the topic was moved to the next Board meeting.

INFORMATION ONLY:

- A. USPS Parking Lot Improvements – Mr. Lewis discussed the changes to the Post Office parking lot next door, and how, since the Post Office was going to be paying for the repairs to the pavement closest to the building, that the Village is no longer required to repave those sections when the rest of the Village Hall lots are done.
- B. Attorney Durkin noted that the plat of easement that was approved tonight must be recorded with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds and asked how that will be done. Ms. Headley said it would be recorded with the County by Christopher C. Burke Engineering, Ltd, the Village's engineer. Attorney Durkin inquired as to the status of recording the deed of the property that was recently acquired by the Village from Cook County. Ms. Matthys stated that this document hasn't been received by the Village yet, so it hasn't been recorded yet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

It was determined that there was reason for the Board to enter into Executive Session due to:

(5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) - To discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body;

(5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)) - To discuss litigation against, affecting, or on behalf of the Village which has been filed and is pending in a court or administrative tribunal or which is probable or imminent.

Trustee Celestino moved to adjourn the COW Meeting and enter Executive Session for reason of: (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) - To discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; and (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)) - To discuss litigation against, affecting, or on behalf of the Village which has been filed and is pending in a court or administrative tribunal or which is probable or imminent; Trustee Yurkovich seconded the motion.

Deputy Clerk Spencer called the roll:

Trustee Calcagno	Absent	Trustee Reda	Aye
Trustee Celestino	Aye	Trustee Steker	Absent
Trustee Perry	Aye	Trustee Yurkovich	Aye
President Pulia	Aye		

President Pulia declared the motion carried.

President Pulia declared the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.



Jessica Spencer, Deputy Village Clerk