

1 VILLAGE OF ALSIP
2 MINUTES OF
3 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
4 April 2, 2007

5 Mayor Kitching called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll. Present:
6 Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey. Also present Mayor Kitching,
7 Clerk Venhuizen and Attorney Todd Hayden.

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9 Mayor Kitching led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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11 MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching reported the list of Economic Development Commission
12 members was distributed to all Board members and read the following names into the minutes and
13 noted some of their accomplishments: Mayor Kitching, Chairman and Members Sue Bruesch, Tom
14 Collins, Henry Flock, Jack (Rocky) Golomb, Phyllis Miceli, Kevin Michaels, Joe Schmitt and Mike
15 Spongberg.

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17 CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen reported the Board Meeting Schedule for the May 1, 2007-
18 April 30, 2008 year was distributed to all Board members, and asked for input for December 31,
19 2007. Clerk Venhuizen noted the combined committee & regular board meetings scheduled for
20 January 7, 2008, and intended to investigate other communities that conduct only two meetings a
21 month by combining the committee and board meetings

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23 ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Hayden had no report. Trustee Quinn requested the results of
24 the billboard lawsuit recently settled. Attorney Hayden responded the Village won the lawsuit against
25 the billboard company resulting in the Village receiving \$35,000 back rent, plus enforcement of the
26 original contract rental amounts of \$1,000 monthly for the first ten years, and \$1,250 for the second
27 ten years.

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29 ENGINEER'S REPORT: Engineer Tom Lang updated the Board on the status of the road program.

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31 FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented: a) list of bills totaling \$972,960.69; b) an update
32 on the 2007-2008 budget; c) a request for authorization to purchase a new server for the Village Hall
33 and Police Department at a cost not-to-exceed \$22,000.00 with funds available in the Police and
34 Finance Department budgets. Trustee Quinn questioned the second no bid contract to be awarded to
35 ISI; the first totaled \$71,000.00, and the lack of a breakdown between hardware, software and
36 services. Trustee Quinn cited the Village ordinance on bidding purchases exceeding \$20,000 and
37 recommended waiting until the new Technical Services Supervisor is on board for her input. Police
38 Chief Troy explained the equipment for the computer network will be purchased through Dell State
39 Purchase Contract. ISI will come in on a time and material for wiring, and programming, and Bob
40 Ricker has a detailed list of the proposed equipment purchases. Chief Troy further explained the
41 \$22,000 figure is the maximum amount allowed in the budget to complete the current phase which
42 includes equipment manpower, time and material to get new system up and running. Trustee Shapiro
43 reported a letter was given to the Finance Committee, Trustees Graczyk, Castaldo and Collins that
44 included a breakdown of financial information, plus a packet from ISI of hourly charges was received
45 three weeks ago. Trustee Shapiro further stated the need to upgrade and update the Village's servers
46 and software. Trustee Quinn recommended additional proposals for the computer network and asked
47 that Item D be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

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49 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Collins presented: a) request for approval to paint the
50 apparatus bay at Station #1 at a cost not-to-exceed \$12,000, including power washing of the
51 burnished block masonry walls; b) request to authorize the Police & Fire Commission to promote the
52 next qualified candidate from the established Fire Lieutenant's eligibility list to fill the vacancy
53 created by the permanent disability of a Lieutenant, with swearing-in April 30, 2007; c) report on
54 train derailment on March 16, 2007, which involved six train cars, five of which carried Phosphoric
55 Acid and the Alsip Fire Department thanked CSXT, Hultcher and Sunpro for their methodical
56 handling of all activities pertaining to this incident and also thanked a list of all agencies and fire and
57 police personnel involved.

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59 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) a request to amend the salary
60 ordinance for the position of Technical Services Supervisor at an annual salary of \$63,300.00, with a
61 starting date tentatively set for April 5, 2007 and introduced the new Technical Services Supervisor,
62 Maria Burk; b) letter of recognition for RCO Pamela Clark for solving a month old missing person
63 case.

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70 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Castaldo presented a request for
71 authorization to hire six full-time temporary employees for summer season for a maximum of twelve
72 weeks.

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74 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) a request for permission for
75 lawn signs for a craft show from Alan B. Shepard High School from 4/8/07-4/15/07; b) request for a
76 variance from Rafco Brickform at 12520 S. Lombard Lane for a flammable material storage unit,
77 already checked by the Fire Department.

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79 HEALTH & POLLUTION – no report.

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81 SEWER & WATER: Trustee Quinn presented a request for authorization to hire up to six summer
82 helpers for 12-14 weeks starting the week of June 4, 2007, and all Village requirements will be met
83 with the hiring.

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85 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Godfrey presented: a) list of licenses dated March 26, 2007.

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87 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented: a) request to refer to Planning &
88 Zoning Commission for a Public Hearing a Zoning Application for Ozinga/Mark Jackson for
89 installation of a portable concrete plant and for a height variance on MWRD property located north of
90 127th at the canal; b) request for approval of Plan Commission Case 2007-09, request by Ernest E.
91 Horvath of Reliable Fire Equipment for a front yard setback variance from 25' to 20' for property
92 located at 4733 West 128th Place, Alsip, Illinois to allow for maximization of indoor parking for
93 trucks; c) request for approval of Plan Commission Case 2007-04, request from WMI Alsip, LLC for
94 change in zoning from I2 to I1 for property located at 3750 West 131st Street, Alsip, Illinois for the
95 purpose of operating a food product manufacturing facility; d) request for approval of Plan
96 Commission Case 2007-19, request by JP Gallagher Building Corporation of 4950 W. 116th Street,
97 Alsip, Illinois for a re-subdivision of property located at the northwest corner of 116th & Laporte,
98 Alsip, Illinois of one lot into three. Trustee Quinn voiced concern with one street north of 116th Street
99 at Laporte because there is no room for cul de sac, and Fire Department authorized, but with the
100 configuration of Laporte and railroad there is not enough room to develop the property; e) request for
101 approval of request by 12000 Hamlin LLC for a re-subdivision of property located at 12000 South
102 Hamlin Avenue, Alsip, Illinois. Petitioner is seeking a change in zoning from farming to R1 and a
103 nine lot re-subdivision to allow for construction of eight new single family residences. Plan
104 Commission stipulations call for the plans to be reviewed by the Deputy Chiefs of the Fire and Police
105 Departments, extension of the water main and installation of a fire hydrant every 300 feet. Trustee
106 Quinn reported a meeting was held with the developer and several residents and recommended
107 tabling this item for 30 days.

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REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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111 VILLAGE PROPERTY: Trustee Castaldo presented a request for authorization to hire four full-
112 time, part-time summer employees for a maximum of 12 weeks.

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114 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: no report.

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116 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: no report.

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118 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT: no report.

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120 BOAT LAUNCH: Boat Launch opened April 1, 2007.

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PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS

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CONSENT AGENDA

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126 Mayor Kitching asked if there are any items the Board would like to remove from the Consent
127 Agenda; Trustee Quinn removed Items D, F, Q, and R.

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135 Motion by Trustee Collins to accept the Consent Agenda as amended; seconded by Trustee Graczyk.
136 Roll No. 1: Voting "aye": Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey. Motion
137 carried.

138 Clerk Venhuizen read selected items on the Consent Agenda:

139 A. Approval of minutes of March 19, 2007 Board meeting.

140 B. Approval of minutes of March 26, 2007 Committee meeting.

141 C. Approval of a list of bills totaling \$972,960.69.

142 D. ~~Authorization to purchase a new server for the Village Hall and Police Department at a cost
143 not to exceed \$22,000. (removed)~~

144 E. Approval to paint the apparatus bay at Station #1 and power wash the burnished block
145 masonry walls at a cost not-to-exceed \$12,000.

146 F. ~~Authorization for the Police & Fire Commission to promote the next qualified candidate from
147 the established Fire Lieutenant's eligibility list with swearing in April 30, 2007. (removed)~~

148 G. Approval of an amendment to the Salary Ordinance for the position of Technical Services
149 Supervisor at an annual salary of \$63,300.00. Ordinance 2007-4-1.

150 H. Approval for Public Works to hire six full-time summer employees for a maximum of 12
151 weeks.

152 I. Authorization for Alan B. Shepard High School to erect lawn signs advertising a craft show
153 from 4/8/07-4/15/07.

154 J. Approval of the request for a variance from Rafco Brickform at 12520 S. Lombard Lane for a
155 flammable material storage unit. Ordinance No. 2007-4-2.

156 K. Approval for Water & Sewer to hire up to six summer helpers for 12-14 weeks starting the
157 week of June 4, 2007, in accordance with all Village requirements.

158 L. Approval of a list of licenses dated March 26, 2007.

159 M. Approval to refer to Planning & Zoning Commission for a Public Hearing and a Zoning
160 Application for Ozinga/Mark Jackson for installation of a portable concrete plant and a zoning
161 change on MWRD property located north of 127th Street at the canal.

162 N. Approval of request by Ernest E. Horvath of Reliable Fire Equipment for a front yard setback
163 variance from 25' to 20' for property located at 4733 West 128th Place, Alsip, Illinois to allow
164 for maximization of indoor parking for trucks. Ordinance No. 2007-4-152-1.

165 O. Approval of request from WMI Alsip, LLC for change in zoning from I2 to I1 for property
166 located at 3750 West 131st Street, Alsip, Illinois for the purpose of operating a food product
167 manufacturing facility. Ordinance No. 2007-4-152-2.

168 P. Approval of request by JP Gallagher Building Corporation of 4950 W. 116th Street, Alsip,
169 Illinois for a re-subdivision of property located at the northwest corner of 116th & Laporte,
170 Alsip, Illinois of one lot into three, pending receipt of paperwork from developer and Fire
171 Department approval of Laporte Street. Plan Commission Case 2007-19.

172 Ordinance No. 2007-4-152-3.

173 Q. ~~Request for approval of request by 12000 Hamlin LLC for a change in zoning from farming
174 to R1 residential, for property located at 12000 South Hamlin Avenue, Alsip, Illinois.
175 (removed)~~

176 R. ~~Approval of request by 12000 Hamlin LLC for a resubdivision of property located at 12000
177 South Hamlin Avenue, Alsip Illinois. Ordinance No. (removed)~~

178 S. Approval for the Village Property Division to hire 4 full, part-time summer help employees
179 for a maximum of 12 weeks.

180 T. Approval of 2007/2008 Schedule of Village Board Meetings.

181 U. Acceptance of committee reports as presented.

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183 Motion by Trustee Collins to accept the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Godfrey.

184 Roll No. 2: Voting "aye": Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey.

185 Motion carried.

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187 Item D. Motion by Trustee Castaldo to authorize the purchase of a new server for the Village Hall
188 and Police Department at a cost not-to-exceed \$22,000 through the State of Illinois Purchase
189 Contract; seconded by Trustee Shapiro.

190 Roll No. 3: Voting "aye": Trustees Castaldo, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey.

191 Voting "nay": Trustee Quinn. Motion carried 5-1.

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200 Item F. Authorization for the Police & Fire Commission to promote the next qualified candidate from
201 the established Fire Lieutenant's eligibility list with swearing-in April 30, 2007. Trustee
202 Quinn asked for an Executive Session for further clarification.
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204 Item Q. Approval of request by 12000 Hamlin LLC for a change in zoning from farming to R1
205 residential, for property located at 12000 South Hamlin Avenue, Alsip, Illinois.

206 Item R. Approval of request by 12000 Hamlin LLC for a re-subdivision of property located at 12000
207 South Hamlin Avenue, Alsip Illinois.

208 Motion by Trustee Quinn to table Item Q and Item R; seconded by Trustee Castaldo.

209 Trustee Collins questioned why these items were being tabled and Trustee Quinn responded
210 there are items that need further clarification such as parking, cul de sac.

211 Trustee Godfrey recommended approving the change in zoning and Trustee Quinn disagreed
212 because the property taxes increase.

213 Roll No. 4: Voting "aye": Trustees Castaldo and Quinn.

214 Voting "nay": Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey.

215 Motion to table is lost.
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217 Item Q. Motion by Trustee Godfrey to approve the request by 12000 Hamlin LLC for a
218 change in zoning from farming to R1 residential for property located at 12000 South Hamlin
219 Avenue, Alsip, Illinois; seconded by Trustee Graczyk. Trustee Quinn asked if the approval
220 was for a re-subdivision with a dead end street and Trustee Godfrey responded the approval
221 was for a change in zoning from farming to R1.

222 Roll No. 5: Voting "aye": Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey.

223 Voting "nay": Trustees Castaldo and Quinn.

224 Motion carried 4-2.
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226 Ordinance No. 2007-4-152-4

227 Item R. Motion by Trustee Quinn to table for 30 days the request by 12000 Hamlin LLC for a
228 re-subdivision of property located at 12000 South Hamlin Avenue, Alsip, Illinois;
229 seconded by Trustee Castaldo.

230 Roll No. 6: Voting "aye": Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey.
231 Motion carried.
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233 Motion by Trustee Quinn to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing specific
234 personnel; seconded by Trustee Castaldo.

235 Roll No. 7: Voting "aye": Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey.

236 Motion carried. So moved at 8:10 p.m.
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238 Mayor Kitching called the meeting back to order at 8:22 p.m.
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240 Motion by Trustee Collins to authorize the Police & Fire Commission to promote the next
241 qualified candidate from the established Fire Lieutenant's eligibility list with swearing-in
242 April 30, 2007; seconded by Trustee Graczyk.

243 Roll No. 8: Voting "aye": Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey

244 Motion carried.
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246 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.
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248 NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Shapiro reported receipt of a letter from Richard S. Dalzell, President,
249 Alsip Little League, requesting Fire, Police and Public Works support and personal appearances of
250 Village Officials for the 2007 opening day parade on April 29, 2007 with a parade at 10:30 a.m. from
251 Prairie Jr. High School east on 119th Street to Karlov Avenue, then north on Karlov Avenue to the
252 Little League fields. Trustee Shapiro received consensus of the Board for the request.
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256 Maureen Fernandez, 3710 W. Nuala Lane, requested a street light because of security problems and
257 lack of clear visibility of intruders. Following discussion it was a consensus of the Board to direct
258 Public Works to find a way to install the street lights as soon as possible and explore a way to recover
259 the costs.
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266 Joseph Sweas, 4860 W. 115th Street, questioned an overpass for the railroad tracks.

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268 Geraldine Strelchuk, 11640 Keeler, reported the property belonging to the condos/apartments on
269 119th & 118th Place on Karlov on east side needs to be cleaned up.

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271 Trustee Collins questioned the feasibility of chains across the driveway at the Little League Field by
272 Stony Creek. Discussion followed.

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274 Mark Walters, 11952 S. Karlov, requested action on making sure vehicles make a complete stop at
275 stop signs.

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277 ADJOURNMENT

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279 Motion by Trustee Collins to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Godfrey. All in favor; none opposed.

280 Motion carried at 8:35 p.m.

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283 Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk Deborah Venhuizen

288 Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois