

1 VILLAGE OF ALSIP
2 MINUTES OF
3 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
4 February 4, 2008
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6 Mayor Kitching called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll and the
7 following members were present: Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk, Godfrey, McGreal and
8 Michaels. Also present Mayor Kitching, Clerk Venhuizen and Village Attorney Todd Hayden.
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10 MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching reported all residents of Alsip are invited to LA Fitness
11 Grand Opening Party, Saturday, February 9th, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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13 Mayor Kitching presented and read a Resolution Endorsing the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus'
14 Greenest Region Compact.
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16 Mayor Kitching presented a Lease Agreement for property located at 12200 South 45th Avenue,
17 Alsip. Mayor Kitching reported this is a standard lease; the new tenants are 14-year Alsip
18 residents and the rental fee is \$1,000 monthly. Mayor Kitching further explained this property
19 has been vacant for over a month, and there were no employees interested in renting. Mayor
20 Kitching called for a vote approving the Lease Agreement.

21 Motion by Trustee Shapiro to approve the Lease Agreement for 12200 South 45th Avenue;
22 seconded by Trustee Michaels. Roll #1: Voting "aye": Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk,
23 Godfrey, McGreal and Michaels. Motion carried.
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25 CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen reported 554 voters have participated in the Alsip Early
26 Voting Program.
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28 FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented: a) list of bills dated January 28, 2008 totaling
29 \$679,259.64: b) request for extension of the Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement.
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31 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented: a) a list of items totaling
32 \$40,100.00, previously approved by the Foreign Fire Tax Board on December 20, 2007;
33 b) a Resolution Authorizing and Providing for an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the
34 Participating Municipalities and Fire Protection Districts for the Purpose of Providing Mutual
35 Aid in the Handling of Fire Emergency Medical and Hazardous Materials Incidents and Other
36 Related Services Dealing With the Protection of Life and Property in an Emergency; c) request
37 for approval for outside training for Chief Geraci to attend Governors State University Master's
38 (MPA) Cohort Program being held at the Lansing Police Department. The cohort is specifically
39 tailored for upper management police and fire personnel, and consists of 13 work related courses.
40 The courses run consecutively for approximately 6-1/2 semesters. Classes are held one night per
41 week for 10 weeks at a cost of \$1,300.00 per semester.
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43 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro read a memo from Chief Robert Troy
44 advising the Board that Sgt. Mikos, Officer Mark Miller, Officer Jim Portincasno and Officer
45 Jim Tyszko were chosen to receive the 2007 Emerald Society Officer Recognition Award for
46 their efforts during the June 26, 2007 Armed Robbery at the Aldi Food Store. In addition, Alsip
47 resident, Yvonne Shepard, will receive the Citizen Recognition Award for her bravery and
48 assistance during this incident. The award ceremony will be held at the Assumption Church Hall,
49 323 W. Illinois Street, Chicago Illinois on Monday, February 22, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.
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51 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: No report.
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53 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) a request from the Alsip
54 Chamber of Commerce for authorization to place plastic signs throughout Alsip, and waiver of
55 permit fees, advertising the Community Expo and Craft Fair, Saturday, March 1st. The signs
56 would go up one week to ten days prior to the event and come down within a few days after
57 March 1st. b) Request from Alsip's LA Fitness for the following items to be used at their Grand
58 Opening Party Saturday, February 9th: 1. some high flying balloons near the outside of the main
59 entrance, 2. a Grand Opening Banner approximately 5' x 20' to hang on the outside of the
60 building, and 3. a small 5 x 10 tent to be used by a radio station for broadcasting on the day of
61 the event, weather permitting. c) an Ordinance approving a minor change to the Planned Unit
62 Development located at 120th Street and Cicero Avenue (Harlem Irving of Quarry Plaza) for the
63 construction of a fence ten (10) feet in height at the north end of Home Depot to help with noise
64 abatement.
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69 HEALTH & POLLUTION: Trustee McGreal reported: a) report will be presented following a
70 Health Committee meeting next Monday; b) Health & Pollution Department Activity report with
71 the majority of work focusing on landlord issues and no smoking compliance issues; c) health
72 information will be provided on Smoking Cessation, January is National Glaucoma Awareness
73 Month, February is National Heart Health Awareness Month.

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75 SEWER & WATER: No report.

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77 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented a list of licenses dated January 28, 2008.

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79 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: Trustee Michaels presented: a) a request for approval to
80 refer a request from Cricket Communications for a 15 foot extension to an existing 80 foot
81 AT&T Tower, located at 11525 S. Ridgeland, to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a
82 Public Hearing, pending receipt of a completed application.

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84 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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86 VILLAGE PROPERTY: No report.

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88 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: No report.

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90 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: Trustee Godfrey presented a request for approval of an
91 Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2007-7-2, the 2007-2008 Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

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93 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT: No report.

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95 BOAT LAUNCH: Trustee McGreal reported the Boat Launch will reopen on April 1, 2008, and
96 a solicitation for bids will go out on Wednesday for the necessary repairs.

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98 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS: None.

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100 Mayor Kitching asked if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda; there
101 were none.

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103 CONSENT AGENDA

104 A. Approval of minutes of January 21, 2008 Committee meeting.

105 B. Approval of minutes of January 28, 2008 Board meeting.

106 C. Approval of a RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE METROPOLITAN MAYOR'S
107 CAUCUS' GREENEST REGION COMPACT. **Resolution No. 2008-2-R-1**

108 D. Approval of a list of bills dated January 28, 2008 totaling \$679,259.64.

109 E. Approval of Comcast Cable Franchise Extension.

110 F. Approval of the purchase of a list of items totaling \$40,100.00, which were approved by
111 the Foreign Fire Tax Insurance Fund.

112 G. Approval of a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR AN
113 INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTICIPATING
114 MUNICIPALITIES AND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF
115 PROVIDING MUTUAL AID IN THE HANDLING OF FIRE EMERGENCY
116 MEDICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENTS AND OTHER RELATED
117 SERVICES DEALING WITH THE PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY IN AN
118 EMERGENCY. **Resolution No. 2008-2-R-2.**

119 H. Approval of outside training for Chief Geraci to attend Governors State University
120 Master's (MPA) Cohort Program being held at the Lansing Police Department; 13
121 work related courses running consecutively for approximately 6-1/2 semesters. Classes
122 are held one night per week for 10 weeks at a cost of \$1300.00 per semester.

123 I. Approval for the Alsip Chamber of Commerce to place plastic signs throughout Alsip,
124 and a waiver of permit fees, to advertise the Community Expo and Craft Fair, Saturday,
125 March 1, 2008. The signs would go up one week to ten days prior to the event and come
126 down within a few days.

127 J. Approval for Alsip's LA Fitness, located at 12000 S. Cicero to have exterior high flying
128 balloons outside the building and near the outside entrance doors and balloons within the
129 interior of the building, at their Grand Opening Party, Saturday, February 9, 2008.

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134 K. Approval for Alsip's LA Fitness, located at 12000 S. Cicero to have a Grand Opening
135 Banner approximately 5' x 20' to hang on the outside of the building, at their Grand
136 Opening Party, Saturday, February 9, 2008.
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138 L. Approval for Alsip's LA Fitness located at 12000 S. Cicero to have a small 5' x 10' tent
139 to be set up, weather permitting, near the entrance of the building, to be used by a radio
140 station for broadcasting, on the day of their Grand Opening Party, Saturday, February 9,
141 2008.
142 M. Approval of an ORDINANCE APPROVING A MINOR CHANGE TO THE PLANNED
143 UNIT DEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT 120TH STREET AND CICERO AVENUE IN
144 THE VILLAGE OF ALSIP, ILLINOIS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FENCE
145 TEN (10) FEET IN HEIGHT. **Ordinance No. 2008-2-1.**
146 N. Approval of a list of licenses dated January 28, 2008.
147 O. Approval to refer to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a Public Hearing, a request
148 from Cricket Communications for a 15 foot extension to an existing 80 foot AT&T
149 Tower, located at 11525 S. Ridgeland, pending receipt of a completed application.
150 P. Approval of an ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2007-7-2, THE 2007-2008
151 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. **Ordinance No. 2008-2-2.**
152 Q. Acceptance of committee reports as presented.
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154 Motion by Trustee Collins to accept the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee
155 Godfrey. Roll #2: Voting "aye": Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk, Godfrey, McGreal and
156 Michaels. Motion carried.
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158 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.
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160 NEW BUSINESS: None.
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162 OPEN TO PUBLIC: No one wished to address the Board.
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164 ADJOURNMENT

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166 Motion by Trustee Collins to adjourn; seconded by Trustee McGreal. Motion carried at
167 approximately 7:45 p.m.
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169 Respectfully submitted,
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172 Deborah Venhuizen
173 Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois