

1 VILLAGE OF ALSIP  
2 MINUTES OF  
3 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
4 March 16, 2009  
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6 Mayor Kitching called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll with the  
7 following in attendance: Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk, Godfrey, McGreal and Michaels,  
8 Village Attorney Paul Stephanides and Mayor Kitching.  
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10 MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching reported the Mayor's and Clerk's Offices are pleased to  
11 announce the Village of Alsip will be hosting an Electronics Recycling Event for residents of the  
12 Village on Saturday, April 18, 2009, from 8am to 2pm. This event is for Village of Alsip  
13 residents only – no business or commercial. Residents can drop off the following items for  
14 recycling: computers and monitors, televisions, printers, copiers and fax machines, phones and  
15 cell phones, microwaves, batteries (no car batteries), light bulbs, data storage media, coax and  
16 other cables, stereos, VCRs, DVD players, etc. The Village is working in conjunction with  
17 COM2 Recycling Solutions, an environmentally friendly company, at no cost to the Village.  
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19 CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen reported this is the beginning vehicle sticker sales, and a  
20 special presentation to the winner of the 2009-2010 Alsip Vehicle Sticker Design Contest.  
21 Lauren Mikos, 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Hazelgreen School District 126 is the winner. Clerk Venhuizen  
22 present Lauren Mikos with a framed copy of the winning vehicle sticker and a \$50.00 savings  
23 bond from First Midwest Bank and the Camber of Commerce.  
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25 Clerk Venhuizen reported: a) There are five Mondays in March and there will be no meeting  
26 next Monday. The next meeting is scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup>. b) Correction to the Committee  
27 Meeting minutes under Boat Launch Report, line 89, and Village Board Meeting Agenda of  
28 March 16, 2009, (E), and Consent Agenda Item N, should read "fees will remain the same as last  
29 year," not salary. c) February, 2009 IDOT MFT allotment totaling \$46,002.16. d) Early Voting  
30 began today at the Village Hall, and will continue through Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> in Conference  
31 Room 3, Monday-Friday 9am to 5pm and Saturday 9am to noon. Any registered voter in  
32 suburban Cook County can vote early – no reason is necessary.  
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34 ATTORNEY REPORT: No report.  
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36 ENGINEER REPORT: Village Engineer, Tom Lang, presented the 2009 Road Program and  
37 referenced a written report prepared with Vince Cullen and presented to the Mayor and Board of  
38 Trustees. Motor Fuel Tax Funds present balance as of 12/31/08, \$272,920 plus estimated  
39 allotments for 2009, \$490,000 = \$762,920. Motor Fuel Tax Committed Funds for prior projects =  
40 \$549,000. Funds available for MFT Projects in 2009 = \$213,920. Maintenance Expenditures  
41 which include Street Light Energy, Traffic Signal Maintenance, Pavement Marking, Crack  
42 Sealing, Maintenance Engineering total \$86,500. \$213,930 – 86,500 = \$127,420 available MFT  
43 funds + estimated funds available from special street projects fund (gas tax) \$100,000 for a total  
44 MFT and GAS Tax Funds = estimated \$227,420 funds available for 2009 projects.  
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46 Tom Lang presented a list of roadways needing resurfacing in order of priority for a total of  
47 \$2,201,150; residential roads for reconstruction totaling \$426,000 and commercial/industrial  
48 roads for reconstruction totaling \$1,507,500. The total cost for residential resurfacing, residential  
49 reconstruction and commercial/industrial reconstruction is estimated at \$4,000,000.  
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51 Mr. Lang explained the Village has 52 miles of streets to maintain and recommended this be  
52 done on a 12 year cycle. With the limited funds available for the 2009 Road Program, Mr. Lang  
53 recommended finishing the streets around the Village Hall in 2009. Trustee Godfrey asked if  
54 Mr. Lang had a recommendation as to a bond amount required to put the Village's Road  
55 Program in a good position. Tom Lang responded with an estimated \$4,000,000, the Village  
56 could eliminate a good portion of the inferior streets. However, it would take an additional 4-5  
57 million to improve the Village's worst streets.  
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59 FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented: a) List of bills dated March 9, 2009, totaling  
60 \$595,208.28. b) Request for approval of a proposal from Kane, McKenna Capital, Inc., to  
61 provide Financial Advisor services related to the issuance of the Village's General Obligation  
62 Bonds, Series 2009A, and General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series 2009B.  
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69 Proceeds from the 2009A Bonds will be used to construct certain road improvements and to fund  
70 certain costs for the issuance of the 2009A Bonds. The proceeds from the 2009B Bonds will be  
71 used to provide current refunding of the Village's General Obligation and Refunding Bonds  
72 Series 1997, and to fund certain costs for the issuance of the series 2009B Bonds. Mr. McKenna  
73 of Kane, McKenna Capital addressed the Board and reported the municipal bond market is in  
74 good shape. Preliminary analysis of the sale of \$4,000,000 bonds for 15 years is 4-1/2 to 5%.  
75 The Series 1997 Bonds to be refunded are currently at an interest rate of 5-1/2%. These bonds  
76 will only be refunded if the numbers look right – could be a savings of up to \$100,000, which  
77 can be used for road or other programs. Mr. McKenna reported the Village should get a good  
78 interest rate because of sound financial condition and their A-1 Bond rating.

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80 Trustee Graczyk reported the Board has received information on the five year capital plan being  
81 prepared by the Finance Committee and the Finance Department for the 2009-2010 budget.

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83 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Michaels presented thank you letter from Phyllis and  
84 Jim Field, Parcels Plus, to the firefighters responding to a fire at Cool Rite and quickly  
85 extinguishing the blaze, averting a major disaster for the businesses and homes in close  
86 proximity to the fire. The gases stored inside the facility could have easily caused a lot more  
87 serious damage to all had the fire not been extinguished so quickly.

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89 Trustee Michaels reported receipt of a retirement letter from Deputy Chief Schmitt effective May  
90 2, 2009. Trustee Michaels reported he has worked with Joe for twenty years and there was no  
91 stronger advocate for the Village Fire Department and the Village of Alsip than Joe Schmitt, and  
92 he will be missed.

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94 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: No report.

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96 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee McGreal presented: a) The 2008 Annual  
97 Mosquito Control Report and noted that over the last few years the West Nile Virus has  
98 decreased dramatically. This can be attributed to the cooperative effort of the South Cook  
99 County Mosquito Abatement District and the Alsip Public Works Department. To date, the  
100 Village has expended an estimated \$60,000 for chemicals to combat the virus, proving this  
101 investment worthwhile by protecting the residents. b) February Monthly Activity Report.

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103 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented a request for approval of a  
104 request for a temporary A-frame sign from Integrity Auto Sales, 11100 South Cicero Avenue. It  
105 is recommended the sign be authorized for sixty days.

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107 HEALTH & POLLUTION: Trustee Collins reported inspections are ongoing.

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109 SEWER & WATER: Trustee Godfrey presented the Water Department Activity Reports for  
110 November and December of 2008, and January and February of 2009.

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112 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Collins presented a list of licenses dated March 9, 2009.

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114 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: Trustee Michaels presented: a) Request for approval to  
115 refer to the Planning and Zoning Commission for public hearing, an Ordinance Amending the  
116 Special Uses in the I-2 Industrial-Medium District Regarding Wind Energy Systems. b) Request  
117 for approval of an Ordinance Granting a Zoning Map Amendment for the Property Located at  
118 12055 South Cicero Avenue in the Village of Alsip, Cook County, Illinois. c) Request for  
119 approval of an Ordinance Amending the Permitted Uses in the I-1 Industrial-Light District to  
120 Add Passenger Car and Light Truck Rental and Leasing as a Permitted Use. d) Request for  
121 approval of an Ordinance Denying a Special Use Permit for Property Located at 11515-27 South  
122 Pulaski. Trustee Michaels explained the reason for denial is covered in Section 4 of the  
123 Ordinance which reads: **The special use will not serve the public convenience and will be  
124 detrimental to and Endanger the Public Health, Safety, Morals Comfort and General  
125 Welfare.** Pursuant to Section 7/4(A)(1) of Section 2-104.1 of the Municipal Code, the special  
126 use will not serve the public convenience at the location of the subject property and the  
127 establishment, maintenance, and operation of the special use will be detrimental to and endanger  
128 the public health, safety, morals comfort and general welfare.

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134 It is not within the interests of the public health, safety and morals to grant a special use permit  
135 for a day care center as an establishment within less than 300 feet of the proposed location that  
136 has been issued a license for the sale of alcoholic liquors at 11501 South Pulaski. Section 4-67 of  
137 the Attorney Stephanides explained that in accordance with Village Ordinance no day care center  
138 can be within 300 feet of an establishment that maintains a liquor license.

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140 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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142 VILLAGE PROPERTY: Trustee Michaels reported the Village Properties Committee  
143 recommends moving ahead with Phase #2 of the Window Replacement Program at Heritage I.  
144 The tentative date was moved up at the request of the contractor, Gilkey Window Company.  
145 Moving the start date will not affect the contract with Gilkey, and will not cost the Village any  
146 additional funds. The new start date is tentatively March 30, 2009; the old start date was May 1,  
147 2009.

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149 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: Trustee McGreal reported the committee will be meeting before  
150 the next Board meeting on March 30, 2009.

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152 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: Trustee Godfrey reported all Ordinances have been covered  
153 under respective committees.

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155 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT: No report.

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157 BOAT LAUNCH: Trustee McGreal reported the Committee met on March 9, 2009, and  
158 reviewed 19 applications for employment at the Boat Launch. Request is for approval to hire  
159 four seasonal employees for the Boat Launch. Boat Launch fees will remain the same as last  
160 year.

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162 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS: None.

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164 Mayor Kitching asked for any item to be removed from the Consent Agenda; there were none.  
165 Motion by Trustee Graczyk to accept the Consent Agenda; seconded by Trustee Shapiro.

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167 CONSENT AGENDA

- 168 A. Approval of minutes of March 2, 2009 Board meeting.  
169 B. Approval of minutes of March 9, 2009 Committee meeting.  
170 C. Approval of a list of bills dated March 9, 2009 totaling \$595,208.22.  
171 D. Approval of a list of licenses dated March 9, 2009.  
172 E. Approval of an ORDINANCE GRANTING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FOR  
173 THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12055 SOUTH CICERO AVENUE IN THE  
174 VILLAGE OF ALSIP, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Ordinance No. 2009-3-152-1.  
175 F. Approval of an ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PERMITTED USES IN THE I-1  
176 INDUSTRIAL – LIGHT DISTRICT TO ADD PASSENGER CAR AND LIGHT TRUCK  
177 RENTAL AND LEASING AS A PERMITTED USE. Ordinance No. 2009-3-152-2.  
178 G. Approval of an ORDINANCE DENYING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY  
179 LOCATED AT 11515-27 SOUTH PULASKI. Ordinance No. 2009-3-152-3.  
180 H. Acceptance of the February 2009 IDOT MFT allotment totaling \$46,002.16.  
181 I. Acceptance of the March 2009 Roadway Project.  
182 J. Approval of the proposal from Kane, McKenna Capital, Inc., to provide Financial  
183 Advisor services related to the issuance of the Village's General Obligation Bonds, Series  
184 2009A, and General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series 2009B.  
185 K. Acceptance of Deputy Fire Chief Schmitt's letter of retirement effective May 2, 2009.  
186 L. Approval of a request for a temporary A-frame sign from Integrity Auto Sales, 11100  
187 South Cicero for a period of 60 days.  
188 M. Approval to refer an Ordinance Amending the Special Uses in the I-2 Industrial –  
189 Medium District Regarding Wind Energy Systems, to the Planning and Zoning  
190 Commission for public hearing.  
191 N. Approval to hire four (4) seasonal employees for the Boat Launch and the Boat Launch  
192 fees will remain the same as last year.  
193 O. Acceptance of committee reports as presented.  
194 Roll #1: Voting "aye": Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk, Godfrey, McGreal and  
195 Michaels. Motion carried.

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199 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

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201 NEW BUSINESS: None.

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203 Motion by Trustee Michaels to enter into closed session to discuss collective negotiating matters;

204 seconded by Trustee Shapiro. Roll #2: Voting "aye": Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk,

205 Godfrey, McGreal and Michaels. Motion carried.

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207 Mayor Kitching reported the Board was moving into closed session and no further business will

208 be conducted when the meeting is called back to order.

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210 ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Trustee Michaels to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Godfrey.

211 Motion carried.

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213 Respectfully submitted,

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Deborah Venhuizen

218 Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois