

# MINUTES

REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
6:30 PM, MARCH 10, 2009

A. MOMENT OF SILENCE

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Board: Trustees Herr - present, Schatteman - present, Boyle - present, Reynolds - present, McGrath - present, Kavanagh - present, and President Gray - present.

Others: - Clerk Schad, Treasurer Dierking, Director Branham and Village Attorney Dan Schuering.

D. HEARING OF CITIZENS

**George Bell** thanked the Board for erecting a fence between his and neighboring property on Kirkwood and McDonalds. The fence cuts down on noise and the annoyance of head lights.

**Jewel Brant** asked several technical questions about the proposed water plant. Her questions were answered primarily by village engineer Mike Williamsen, Director McCord, and Mayor Gray with some comments by Board members. After several minutes, Director McCord suggested Ms. Brant attend the next Public Works committee meeting (March 17). The village will arrange the presence of EMC and Donahue representatives to answer all questions. Ms. Brant said she would attend.

### E. CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda item(s):

1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes (02-24-09)
2. Payment of Warrants (Res. 09-09)
3. Fire Fighters Use of the Square (Res. 10-09)

#### 4. Committee Reports

**PUBLIC WORKS** – Trustee Herr

March 3, 2009

**Water Project** - We are still concentrating on the diagonal and horizontal well concepts and are trying to resolve an issue of ROW access to an area that is currently landlocked for the well site. A letter to newspapers and an article for the Village newsletter will be composed to clarify the misinformation that has been published in recent Clarion "letters to the editor". We hope that this will better explain to the citizens, the Village Board's position and reasoning for pursuing an independent water supply.

The **ordinance concerning dry detention** maintenance in subdivisions continues to be discussed to review all aspects of the requirements and language to determine who is responsible for maintaining them when there is no functioning Homeowners Association that is fair and comprehensive. Also, being considered is what the penalty will be for non-compliance.

The Village lawyer provided an ordinance for review to deal with **unlicensed boats, trailers, cars, trucks**, etc., that are often used as junk or storage receptacles. We have looked at other town's ordinances and rules dealing

with these types of items. This will be on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

A Planning Commission meeting was held Thursday, 2/19/2009 with a public hearing on the **proposed widening of Gordon Drive**, south of Walnut Street which includes sidewalks and bike Path. All property owners have been contacted about the public hearing. This project is the "shovel ready" project submitted for stimulus funds. Many comments were received and some issues remain to be worked out before the project could get the go ahead.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT** by village engineer Mike Williamsen

SATS Federal Stimulus Project Prioritization

The SATS Technical Committee met last Thursday (3/5/09) to evaluate and prioritize the highway submittals for federal transportation stimulus money. 14 projects were submitted by 10 different jurisdictions for the \$4.729 million available to the region. The two charts shown with this report identify the projects and delineate the priorities assigned through the evaluation process. As the charts show: 1. The committee recommended the first 3 rated projects, 2. The available funding ran out in the middle of the third project, and 3. The Chatham project was rated 4.

During the discussions I pointed out that the technical committee previously requested each jurisdiction to limit its submittals to \$2 million and that the City of Springfield submitted two projects totaling almost \$4 million. The City countered with the argument that the \$2 million limit was instituted when the technical committee believed that the region would receive only \$2 million in funds. When the amount went up to over \$4 million, the City

assumed that the limit was raised to that amount. None of the other committee members rebutted the City's assumption.

Because the City was willing to absorb the funding shortfall on the 3<sup>rd</sup> rated project I was asked if Chatham would be willing to do the same. I stated that the Village could not absorb a shortfall in excess of \$700 K but that we could pare back the project to the box culvert work only. This would result in a project (\$515 K) that would fit into the remainder of the money. Long story short... Chatham was the lone "no" vote on recommending the City's 3<sup>rd</sup> rated project for funding.

The SATS Policy Committee meets this Thursday (3/12/09) at noon to act on the Technical Committee recommendations. I will not be able to attend that meeting. Hopefully one of our Policy Committee members will be able to attend.

**ADMINISTRATIVE** – Trustee McGrath  
March 3, 2009

Treasurer Dierking informed the committee the budget process is on schedule and a draft budget will be ready at the next committee meeting. In addition, an ordinance will be ready at the next board meeting for the refinance of the water bonds.

Chief Barnett discussed the possibility of a federal grant he has applied for which would allow for the hiring of an additional police officer at 100% funding. In addition, he has applied for a police vehicle, which would be funded at 25% from the federal government. Chief Barnett will keep the committee apprised of developments.

Officer Dotson discussed the insurance option for retirees comparing other communities to Chatham. The committee will discuss further as we prepare the overall budget.

Director McCord indicated Walgreens are asking for a class P liquor license. The committee recommended a class C, beer and wine only.

The committee discussed options concerning park property in Oakbrook but the village needs approximately 7000 sq ft from private property. The committee will continue to look at options.

Lastly, Mayor Gray will appoint Randy Counsel and Sheri Anderson to the police commission board to fill two vacancies.

(Committee reports are written by Committee Chairmen. They are scanned into the minutes.)

**There being no discussion, the motion to approve the Consent Agenda** passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

#### F. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mayor Gray and Director McCord met with Ball-Chatham School Superintendant Bob Gillum and school board member Rick Carr to discuss the impact on the village and its possible response if a proposed new elementary school is built within village limits. The proposal hasn't been approved nor has a site been selected. The question to build is being put to a vote during the April 7 Consolidated Election.

Mayor Gray asked for a motion to appoint Sherry Anderson and Randy Council to the Police Commission and Miguel Calderon to the Planning Committee. All appointments will fill vacancies. Trustee McGrath made the motion, seconded by Trustee Herr, the appointments were passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

G. CLERK'S REPORT - None

H. OLD BUSINESS - None

I. NEW BUSINESS

Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Herr, to bring to the table **Ordinance 09-07, An Ordinance Amending the Number of Liquor Licenses to be Issued by the Village of Chatham and Amending the Village of Chatham Code of Ordinances.** 09-07 grants a Class "C" liquor license to Walgreens. 09-07 passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Herr, to bring to the table **Ordinance 09-08, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 07-63.** 09-08 regards the Waterworks Series 2007 Debt Certificate. The current certificate has a 3.75% per annum interest rate and matures April 1, 2009. 09-08 extends the certificate to April 1, 2010 at 3%. 09-08 passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Kavanagh, to bring to the table **Ordinance 09-09, An Ordinance Retaining Human Nature, LLC.**

**Consultant to Perform Human Resource Development.** Human Nature will research and recommend improvements to current employee practices and policies. 09-09 passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

Trustee Herr moved to bring to the table **Ordinance 09-10, An Ordinance Amending Certain Provisions in the Zoning Chapter of the Village of Chatham Code of Ordinances Pertaining to Off Street Parking.** However, because the amendment regards a zoning issue a public hearing must be held before acting on 09-10.

#### J. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Public Property Committee – March 17, 6:00 PM

Administrative Committee – Follows Public Property

Public Works Committee – Follows Administrative

Regular Village Board – March 24, 6:30 PM

Planning Commission – March 19, 7:00 PM

#### K. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Herr, to go into an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. The motion passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

#### L. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Trustee Herr moved, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, to reconvene the open session of the regular board meeting. The motion passed by roll call vote 6 yes, 0 no, 0 absent as follows: Herr – yes, Schatteman – yes, Boyle – yes, Reynolds – yes, McGrath – yes, Kavanagh – yes.

M. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to come before the board, Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, to adjourn. The Motion passed by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pat Schad, Village Clerk