

MINUTES

REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

6:30 PM, December 16, 2008

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, Directors Branham and McCord and Attorney John Myers.

D. HEARING OF CITIZENS - None

E. CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Herr moved, **seconded by Trustee Boyle**, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda Items:

1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes **11-25-08**
2. **Resolution 50-08** - Payment of Warrants
3. Committee Reports

Administrative Committee (Trustee McGrath)

Water Project - Testing of the filtration system for IEPA requirements continues and water quality results are very good. We continue discussions with New Berlin to develop a Water District with them. All easements from the water plant along Buckhart Road have been signed. We may reduce the size of the transmission line from 24" to 20" from the Plant to right outside of Rochester which will cut \$1,000,000 off the cost. Engineers have said that it would not affect the volume of water we project to need for Chatham and other customers.

The **sanitary extension** on Gordon Drive is complete.

The **e-Alert system** is functional and approximately 1,100 citizens have signed up to receive alerts.

The **Hearing Officer** for local ordinance violations will begin in January and will hold court on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Village hall. Don Cravens will be hired to be the Village's Hearing Officer.

Subdivision Ordinance revisions developed by the Village Engineer are being reviewed by the committee and will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

The new **substation work** continues with a completion date by year end or early January, depending on the weather.

We discussed the request of **abating the alley** behind the building next to the railroad on Spruce Street. The owners will build a new building with parking in front. The Committee

did not see any problems with the request since it is an unused, dead-end alley.

The committee has been ask to consider an **ordinance to deal with unlicensed and junk boats, trailers, etc.**, that are often used as junk receptacles. We will look at other towns' ordinances and rules dealing with theses types of items and see if we can compose an enforceable law.

Public Works (Trustee Herr)

Director McCord asked the committee for approval to have a company named **Illinois Pension Plan Fund Association** to provide deferred compensation plan (optional) to employees. The committee concurred.

Two businesses located in the TIF district owned by **Terry Loving** are in **bankruptcy** court and the village attorney worked out a settlement for \$2,500 to relieve the village of any future legal issues. The committee concurred.

The **annual tax levy** will be on the agenda for the next board meeting, 12-16-08 with public comments to be heard at 6:15pm.

Treasurer Dierking discussed the annual police **pension status** as required by law. Currently the village is funding the police pension at 74%.

Director McCord discussed the **drug testing program** for the village employees stating it has been a success in the early stages.

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

F. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - No Report

G. CLERK'S REPORT

Filing for Municipal Elections ended at 5:00 PM December 15. Filing for Village President was incumbent Tom Gray. Filing for Village Clerk was incumbent Pat Schad. Filing for Trustee were Mathew Mau, and incumbents Joe Schatteman, Chuck Herr, and Mike McGrath. The Certificate of Ballot will be filed with the County Clerk by the December 26 deadline.

H. OLD BUSINESS - None

I. NEW BUSINESS

Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, to bring to the table **Ordinance 08-48, An Ordinance Levying Taxes for all Corporate Purposes for the Village of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year Commencing on the 1st Day of May, A.D., 2008, and Ending on the 30th Day of April, A.D., 2009.** 08-48 was approved by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 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 Resolution 51-08, **A Resolution Abating the Direct Annual Real Estate Tax in the Amount of \$244,768 for the Year 2008 Levied Pursuant to Ordinance No. 06-64.** 51-08 was approved by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 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 Resolution 52-08, **A Resolution Abating the Direct Annual Real Estate Tax in the Amount of \$175,000 for the Year 2008 Levied Pursuant to Ordinance No. 97-66.** 52-08 was approved by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, 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 Resolution 53-08, **A Resolution Abating the Direct Annual Real Estate Tax in the Amount of \$96,254 for the Year 2008 Levied Pursuant to Ordinance No. 08-44.** 53-08 was approved by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, as follows: Herr - yes, Schatteman - yes, Boyle - yes, Reynolds - yes, McGrath - yes, Kavanagh - yes.

Ordinance 08-48 and Resolutions 51-08, 52-08, and 53-08 pertain to the annual village budget process. All must be filed by the Village Clerk with the Sangamon County Clerk before December 31, 2008. Detailed information is available from Village Treasurer Sherry Dierking.

Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Herr, to bring to the table Resolution 54-08, **A Resolution Approving the Expenditure of Tax Increment Financing Funds for the Construction of Public Facilities within the Downtown Tax Increment Project Area of the Village of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois.** 54-08 funds the construction of a barrier fence between McDonalds and its northern neighbors. 54-08 was approved by roll call vote, 6 yes,

0 no, as follows: Herr - yes, Schatteman - yes, Boyle - yes, Reynolds - yes, McGrath - yes, Kavanagh - yes.

Trustee McGrath moved, seconded by Trustee Reynolds, to bring to the table Ordinance 08-49, **An Ordinance Scheduling Regular Village Board Meeting Dates for Calendar Year 2009**. As usual, all meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday, monthly. During December there is one meeting only, on the 3rd Tuesday. 08-49 was approved by roll call vote, 6 yes, 0 no, as follows: Herr - yes, Schatteman - yes, Boyle - yes, Reynolds - yes, McGrath - yes, Kavanagh - yes.

J. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Public Property - None Scheduled
Administration - January 06, 6:00 PM
Public Works - January 06, Follows
Regular Village Board - January 13, 6:30 PM
Planning Commission - Every 3rd Thursday, 7:00 PM

K. ADJOURNMENT

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

Committee reports are written by Committee Chairmen. They are scanned then put in the minutes with editing only to correct misspelling.

These minutes are not a verbatim account of the board meeting. An audiotape is available upon request after these minutes are approved by the village board.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Schad,
Village Clerk