

Ordinance No. 15- 10

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH SGRO, HANRAHAN, DURR & RABIN, LLP

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That certain engagement letter between Sgro, Hanrahan, Durr & Rabin, LLP and the Village of Chatham, a copy of which is attached hereto, is hereby approved.

SECTION 2: The President of the Village is authorized and directed to approve said engagement letter on behalf of the Village, and the proper officers of the Village are authorized and directed to carry out the engagement letter by its terms.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance is effective immediately.

PASSED this 10 day of MARCH, 2015.


VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


Village Clerk

AYES: 5 CLAYTON BOYLE HOLDEN FORMEA SCHATTEMAN
NAYS: 0
PASSED: 3-10-15
APPROVED: 3-10-15
ABSENT: 1 KIMSEY

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February 6, 2015

Mr. Thomas Gray -- Village President
Village of Chatham
116 E. Mulberry Street
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Re: Co-Counsel for Village of Chatham

Dear Tom,

Thank you for selecting our firm to represent you. We are proud of our reputation. We endeavor to provide our clients with high quality service, while minimizing costs of that service. This letter will confirm that you are engaging this office to represent you as co-counsel to your Village Attorney for issues involving annexation.

Attorneys' fees are always the subject of concern to both client and the attorney. Because of that, there are some fundamental facts of which you should be aware. We think an understanding of those facts will help avoid a dispute about the fees which will be generated. The law provides that attorneys' fees are based not solely upon the hours spent, but also according to the skill and standing of the attorneys employed; the nature of the controversy; the novelty and difficulty of the questions at issue; the amount and importance of the subject matter; the degree of responsibility involved in the management of the case; the time and labor required; the usual and customary charge in the community; and the benefits resulting to you.

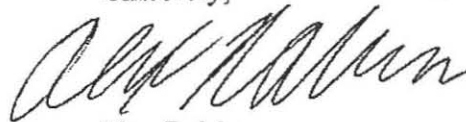
I charge \$180.00 per hour for my services. In order to effectively represent you, it may be necessary for attorneys in this office to work together and separately both in the office and in Court on your behalf, so that you may have the maximum benefit of the services of our firm. You have the right to inform us at any time that you no longer want other attorneys in the firm working on your case, and it is understood that you will send us written notification if you decide to do that.

In appropriate cases we will ask the Court to order the other side to pay your attorneys' fees. If the Court orders the other side to pay all or a part of your fees, that does not relieve you of the primary responsibility for those fees. If there is an overpayment, it will be promptly refunded to you.

You will be charged normal expenses such as mileage, postage, copying, etc. Bills are due within 30 days of receipt. We do not extend credit. If your bill is not paid upon receipt, you will be assessed a service charge of 1% per month or 12% per year on the unpaid balance.

We hope the above information will help you understand our billing information procedures. We have confidence that we will be able to help you and we appreciate the trust you have placed in us.

Sincerely,



Alex Rabin

I acknowledge receipt of this letter and accept the terms as stated.

Dated: _____, 2015

Village President

cc. John M. Meyers, Esq.
Village of Chatham Attorney

ORDINANCE CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF SANGAMON)

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Village Clerk of the Village of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois.

I do further certify that the ordinance attached hereto is a full, true, and exact copy of Ordinance No. 15- _____, adopted by the President and Board of Trustees of said Village on the 10 day of MARCH, 2015, said Ordinance being entitled:

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I do further certify that prior to the making of this certificate, the said Ordinance was spread at length upon the permanent records of said Village, where it now appears and remains.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said Village this 10 day of MARCH, 2015.



Village Clerk