

MINUTES OF THE **REGULAR** MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, HELD IN THE SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER ON **MARCH 23, 2010.**

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY**

**1a. Call to Order**

Mayor Towers/ Charles called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

1b. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Towers/ Charles led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1c. Roll Call

Mayor Towers/ Charles asked Village Clerk Williams/Stevenson to call the roll.

On roll call by Village Clerk Williams/ Stevenson

Present: **Trustees Wharton** (Hanks), **Williams** (R. Williams), **McGee** (Burgess), **Davis** (Anderson), **Johnson** (Benson), **Taylor** (Myers)

Absent: None

A quorum was present.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

a. March 2, 2010 – Special Meeting

b. March 2, 2010 – Committee Meeting

Mayor Towers/Charles asked for a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes dated March 2, 2010.

**Trustee Wharton** (Hanks) - "So Moved "

**Mayor Towers/ Charles** – Can I have a Second?

**Trustee Williams** (R. Williams) "Second"

On roll call by Village Clerk Williams/ Stevenson

Ayes: **Wharton** (Hanks), **Williams** (R. Williams), **McGee** (Burgess), **Davis** (Anderson),

**Johnson** (Benson), **Taylor** (Myers)

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Towers/Charles asked for a motion to approve the Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 2, 2010.

**Trustee McGee** (Burgess) – "So Moved"

**Mayor Towers/Charles** – Can I have a Second

**Trustee Davis** (Anderson) – "Second"

On roll call by Village Clerk Williams/Stevenson

Ayes: **Wharton** (Hanks), **Williams** (R. Williams), **McGee** (Burgess), **Davis** (Anderson),

**Johnson** (Benson), **Taylor** (Myers)

Motion carried.

**3. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

a. Chief of Staff – Ms. Briana Lee /Mrs. Brunetta Hill-Corley  
Madame Mayor and Corporate Board of Authorities

I am proud to report that I was not placed behind bars for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. In lieu of me not being taken prisoner, my husband (Rico Corley) stood in for me. I would like to thank him for doing so and he was able to post my bail in the amount of \$250.00. Over \$40,000.00 was raised in this event.

The MDA Lock-up would like to thank all elected and appointed officials for attending and look forward to seeing you next year.

A communication was received from Evelyn Sterling (Community Relations Coordinator) from the community of Park Forest. Ms. Sterling is a committee member on the Diversity Dinners committee. This is a south suburban committee that is reaching out across the municipalities looking to bring residents together throughout the region to celebrate its rich diversity.

The Diversity Dinners bring people of different races and ethnicities, religions, lifestyles and ages together to share a meal, discuss their common goals, understand their differences, address misperceptions and offer solutions to strengthen their communities.

All the details about this event have been placed on a flyer, which has been placed on the table in the back of the council chamber.

This concludes my report.

b. Village Clerk – Ms. Kelley Stevenson/ Mrs. Debbie Williams  
Madame Mayor

Animal licenses go on sale April 1, 2010. Current animal licenses expire on April 30, 2010. The cost is \$15.00. If the dog or cat is spayed or neutered the cost is \$7.00.

Sauk Village vehicle stickers go on sale May 3, 2010. Current Village stickers expire at midnight on June 30, 2010. Late fees and tickets will be issued after June 30<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$25.00. One senior per household is entitled to a \$20.00 discount. Other prices could vary.

Finally, I would like to recognize Mr. Anthony Shabazz from the Illinois Census Bureau. Mr. Shabazz and Mr. Kerry Dean are doing a great job of bringing information and trinkets to the Village to alert our residents of the importance of standing up to be counted during the 2010 Census.

This concludes my report.

c. Village Treasurer – Mr. Jacob French /Mrs. Genorise Carmichael

The Treasurer's position is appointed by the Mayor. The Village Treasurer is considered the custodian of all Municipality funds along with the Policemen and Firemen's Pension Investments.

The Village Treasurer has a mission to safeguard and efficiently manage public funds while providing the highest level of service.

This concludes my report.

d. Village Attorney – Ms. Brianna Hemp/ Attorney Jimmy Vasselli  
Thank you Madame Mayor

As the Village Attorney, I help the Village with a variety of different projects, ranging from drafting ordinances that become the law of the Village to helping solve conflicts between the Village and other people. Drafting ordinances and resolutions is an important part of my job because these documents are the tools that the Mayor and Board of Trustees use to authorize the actions of the Village and its employees. I also review all of the contracts that the Village enters into to make sure that the rights of the Village are protected. An example of a type of contract

that I regularly review is an employment contract, which spells out the responsibilities and job benefits of employees of the Village.

This concludes my report.

e. Village Engineer – Ms. Anna Berglund/ Mr. Jim Czarnik

Thank you Madame Mayor

You have before you a pre-application for loan assistance for drinking water facilities. With the Board's approval, we will submit this pre-application to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. With the IEPA's acceptance of the Village's application, Sauk Village will be prioritized and placed on a waiting list to obtain low interest loan funds for future potential improvements to the Village's water system.

This funding could be used to help make possible the water infrastructure improvements necessary to obtain Lake Michigan water from an adjacent community, provide a second water main crossing under I-394 to ensure continuity of service to half of the Village and install water main loops to eliminate dead ends in the system.

This concludes my report.

f. Mayor's Report – Mayor Lewis Towers/ Pamela Charles

I had the pleasure of working with Meals on Wheels on Thursday, March 18, 2010 in the handing out of over 20 meals to the seniors in the Village of Sauk Village.

The VISTA program is still going strong in the Community Center. The program is still accepting all clothing donations.

Respond Now is still handing out food baskets in the Community Center on Tuesdays from 10 am- 12 pm.

This concludes my report.

#### **4. REPORTS OF TRUSTEES AND BOARD COMMITTEES**

a. Senior Citizens Committee – Trustee Zamira Davis /Trustee Anderson

Madame Mayor, the report for the Senior Committee consists of the following:

The Senior Committee met on Thursday, March 11, 2010 at the Senior Center. The following is a list of agenda items that were discussed.

1. An evaluation of the second Chili Cook off was completed. Again, congratulations to the winners and the best chili cooks were: First Place- Delores Randall (the second year in a row), Second Place- Gigi Austin and Third Place tie- Jessie Boswell and Nadine Morgan.
2. The Senior Committee will be sponsoring a new activity, Ole School Night, with a kick off on Saturday, April 3, 2010 6pm- 11:00 pm featuring music from the 60's, 70's and 80's. So, save the date of April 3<sup>rd</sup> on your calendar. Mr. Larry Stewart will be one of the contact persons of this event.
3. A survey was completed by Trustee Anderson for the University of Illinois Chicago for seniors to participate in a study on the treatment of osteoarthritis. The committee will be notified about it's acceptance in the study by the end of June, 2010.
4. Our next senior quarterly event is tentatively scheduled for May 15, 2010. Save the date. Free Movie Monday at the McConathy Public Library is every second Monday of the month at 1:00 pm. Join us on April 12, 2010 for "Patch Adams", May 10, 2010 for "Drill Bit Taylor" and June 14, 2010 for "Mamma Mia". Refreshments will be served. Seniors - come join the fun at the New Senior Center. We're offerings social gatherings, dancing, games, activities, refreshments, dinners and outings. The clubs and organizations that are currently sponsoring activities for seniors are:

Fun Club meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm. The club is sponsoring Line Dance instructions.

Sunshiners meet every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Leisure Timers meets 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6pm.

Blue Grass meets every Sunday from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm.

There will be no Jam Session April 4, 2010 because it's Easter Sunday.

Ceramic Classes meets every Wednesday at 8:00 am- 12 noon. The cost is \$5.00 per week.

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

Sauk Village Senior Committee invites all seniors to come and join us at our next meeting which is held every second Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm in the Senior Center. If you're a citizen that likes to be creative in planning activities for other seniors in our community we welcome your input.

Madame Mayor this concludes my report.

b. Parks & Recreation Committee – Trustee Tiarney Johnson (Trustee Benson)

Thank you Madame Mayor.

The Sauk Village Easter Egg Scramble will be held Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> 2010 in the Edward Paesel Center, coordinated by Ms. Nancy Baker, Parks and Recreation/Youth Services committee member with assistance from the members of the Parks and Recreation's committee. The Easter Egg Scramble will start promptly at 1pm. There will be 3 age groups, 0 to 4, 5 to 8 and 9 to 12.

For this event, there will be 2,500 Easter Eggs packed with candy and a toy, and 12 of the eggs will have inside of it, a winning ticket for a well packed Easter basket donated by the Village Chief of Staff (Ms. Brunetta Hill Corley) and assembled by Ms. Nancy Baker. Thank you, Chief of Staff for your donation.

Townsend's Photo Company will be taking pictures of all youth who wish to take photos with the Easter Bunny and the 2009 Mr. and Ms. Sauk Village Pageant winners. There will be 3x5's for \$5 and 5x7's for \$10. Family set ups will be at the request of the family. Parks and Recreation is looking for a male or female to take the role of the Easter Bunny. If interested please contact Trustee Benson at 708-753-5130. Due to the Easter Egg Scramble, Friday's basketball practice and Saturday's tournament will be cancelled.

Thank you Madame Mayor. That concludes my report.

c. Housing Commissioner – Trustee Symone Wharton /Trustee Hanks

Thank you Madame Mayor.

On Saturday March 20th, the Sauk Village Housing Authority in conjunction with NACA (Neighborhood Assistance Corporation of America) hosted a Purchase / Home Save workshop for South Suburban residents here at the Village Hall. The event is being applauded as a success and there is already talk of another workshop in the near future. There were over 800 in attendance which participated in both the Purchase and the Home Save portions of the workshop. The Village Hall side was filled with those looking to save their homes and the senior side was filled with residents looking to purchase homes. This type of workshop was desperately needed in the South Suburbs due to the economic down turn that we have faced over the last 10 years. This event could not have been successful without the hard work and dedication of Commissioners David Chick, John Poskin and Colleen Baughman.

I would like to personally thank everyone else that assisted to make an event of this size a success. It takes a lot of help to put on something of this size and as always our community stepped up to the plate. The following individuals and departments also assisted in making sure this event ran smoothly:

Mayor Lewis Towers, the Board of Trustees, Village Clerk Williams, Chief of Staff Corley, the Public Works Department, ESDA and the Police Department.

In addition, we would also like to thank the senior citizens of Sauk Village for allowing the Housing Authority to use their side of the Village Hall for this event.

Thank you Madame Mayor. This ends my report.

d. Ordinance Review Committee – Trustee Amber Taylor /Trustee Myers

Thank you Madame Mayor. I have a brief report tonight.

The ordinance committee met March 17th at 7pm. We tabled the ordinance on retail theft because our law firm advised us that we are not a home rule community so we cannot enforce our own ordinance. However, the state has an ordinance we can use, so it will be passed on to the Police Department.

An ordinance will be presented to the trustees at the next committee meeting for their approval. It is an ordinance allowing the Fire Chief and his designated inspectors the ability to write citations for fire code violations.

One final note, we are short members on the ordinance committee. If anyone is interested in serving on this committee please contact Mr. Myers.

Thank you. That concludes my report.

e. Economic Development Committee – Trustee Emilicia McGee /Trustee Burgess

The Economic Development Committee's mission is to promote business investment and job creation for our town. Our goal is to gain broad-based support from our local government as well as our local businesses and companies to jumpstart our economic recovery and start preparing for our town's future economic existence. We have set three tasks that will form the foundation of our mission: They are:

1. **Beautify existing commercial properties** to generate interest and pride with our local residents. By asking our existing businesses to clean up both inside and outside of their places, this will encourage new businesses to want to come to Sauk Village. To kick-off the beautification mission, the Economic Development Committee has asked Behr Paint to donate paint to our school district, religious institutions and our Community Center. Once this is completed, our next donation drive will be to residents to help them spruce up their homes during the spring.
2. **Post Sauk Village's profile on national websites.** This will help both commercial, retail and housing developers match their potential growth needs with our town's assets. The Economic Development Committee is currently working with our own Chief of Staff and regional experts who are helping us to achieve this task.
3. **Promote a positive image of Sauk Village.** Our goal is to only publish positive articles and advertisements about our town's existing housing, business opportunities and

community affairs to local newspapers and websites. Once our town's residential, commercial and retail statistics are published, the Economic Development Committee can continue with its mission to secure more businesses and jobs for its residents.

f. Public Relations Committee – Trustee Sydni Williams /Trustee Williams

Thank you Madame Mayor.

The Public Relations Committee is responsible for updating the web site and the Sauk Talk, planning Student Government Day and hosting an annual appreciation for employees and volunteers. The website is updated weekly with new agendas and minutes and the Sauk Talk is produced every two months.

This time of year is always very busy for the Public Relations Committee. There is a lot of stuff to do to prepare for Student Government Day. This year presented some new challenges that made the committee reorganize the way we normally handle things. All of the items needed for Student Government Day, including the sound system we have tonight, were paid for by funds raised by the committee.

I would like to take this time to thank our sponsors and all department heads who helped with transportation today, Public Works for setting up this room, the 2010 Census committee for providing gifts for the winners and everyone who has helped put tonight and the dinner tomorrow night together.

We have been working on a few other things worth mentioning as well. The March Sauk Talk has been postponed until the end of this week. The Public Relations Committee wanted to include the NACA event held last Saturday by the Housing Authority Commission, as well as, information and pictures from tonight's event.

Lastly, I would like to thank the Board for their support of this year's Student Government Day, as well as, their support for the Proclamation later on tonight. When the Public Relations Committee suggested this proclamation and requested that it be read at Student Government Day the Board agreed it was a good idea.

Thank you Madame Mayor. That ends my report.

g. 2010 Census Update – Mr. Jimmie Sykes /COS Brunetta Hill-Corley

Census 2010 Report

The Census stand up and be counted committee has been quite busy. The 2010 Census ballots should be in your home. 10 questions, 10 minutes, please complete the form so that the Village of Sauk Village can be in receipt of any and all Federal FUNDS that are needed in order to continue to provide the services that are needed.

Three Questions and Answer Center has been established in the Village of Sauk Village. The purpose of this center is to assist residents with the completion of the Census Ballot. The center locations are:

\*Community Center ( located behind the Police Station)

\*Sauk Village Fire Station

\* Emmanuel Church

A census representative will be present at either of the above three sites to offer any assistance needed in the completion of the Census ballot. The hours of the center is still yet to be determined, and the tentative dates are March 22 – April 19, 2010. Keep your eyes and ears open for updates to the services at the above listed sites.

**Sauk Village, Stand Up and be Counted in the 2010 United States Census.**

## **5. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS**

a. Police Department – Police Chief Deja Dorsey/ Police Chief Martin

The Chief of Police is responsible for the public safety of all citizens that reside in the Village of Sauk Village. The Police Chief is to make sure that the patrolmen respond promptly.

The Chief of Police is responsible for traffic and animal control in the Village. In addition to all of the services that are being rendered by the Police Department, the Chief of Police is to respond promptly to citizen's complaints and concerns. Finally, the Chief of Police will continue to pay close attention to our seniors and the youth of Sauk Village.

**b. Fire Department – Fire Chief Ryann Johnson /Fire Chief Stoffregen**

My report to you will include the following: Status of equipment, personnel and training.  
Equipment

I am pleased to report the new engine obtained in February, Engine 5101, and has been in service and responding to calls for several weeks now. We have made great strides in obtaining the necessary funding to properly equip this engine. We have had great support from the village and businesses to better equip our apparatus. As a continuing effort, the rest of our apparatus continues to be maintained on a regular basis.

Personnel

Because of his hard work and dedication to the Sauk Village Fire Department, we have promoted Lt. Russ Staley to the rank of Captain effective the end of February. We have also placed two firefighters in the position of acting Lieutenant. We feel that these two individuals will prove themselves through experience and education.

Training

Our weekly Tuesday training continues to provide ongoing classroom lectures as well as extensive hands on training. Participation has been very good. We continue to train with firefighters from the surrounding towns in an effort to promote continued support and excellent working relationships. We also have several firefighters continuing their education and development through college course study.

Thank you Madame Mayor. This concludes my report.

**c. Public Works Department – Ms. Opeyemi Fanoiki /Mr. Weller**

Thank you Madame Mayor.

Our first scheduled street sweeping for 2010 will begin on Monday, April 19. Residents are reminded that local ordinance prohibits parking on the streets between the hours of 7:00 am and 3:30 pm during the day of your garbage pick up.

The first scheduled hydrant flushing will be on the south side of town. This area is located south of Sauk Trail and west of Torrence Avenue extending to Deer Creek. Flushing will begin at 11:00 pm and continue through the morning of April 6 until the area has been completed. Residents should refrain from washing light colors for 24 to 36 hours after flushing.

That concludes my report.

**d. Community Development Department – Ms. Shonta Baker /Ms. Jasinski**

The Community Development Department will be starting our yearly property maintenance program, which includes street by street and house by house inspections of any exterior violations on homes as well as businesses.

With spring approaching we are expecting a high amount of inoperable autos as well as debris and garbage in front of homes and businesses. We are aggressively working to get these problems corrected with warnings and tickets.

We are asking that all residents and business owners make sure they keep the outside of their properties neat and clean. A clean and maintained property not only makes you look good but also keeps our community looking good.

e. Finance and Administration Department – Mr. Lance McGavock /Gonzalez & Associates, P.C. (interim)

Thank you Madame Mayor.

Financial Report for 3/23/2010

Continued reconciliation of Village of Sauk Village 28 bank accounts.

Continued updating of the General Ledger with unreported revenues on Village's accounting system.

Worked with State Comptrollers office to resolve issues with outstanding Local Income Tax disbursements, was notified that funds will be received within 90 -100 days.

Worked with State Comptrollers office regarding fiscal year October 31, 2010.

Worked with Vanessa from Amalgamated Bank and Mary Thompson from Kane, McKenna and Associates regarding "Officers Certificate" for General Fund reimbursements from TIF for fiscal year 2010.

This concludes my report.

f. Emergency Services and Disaster Agency – Ms. Arbriel Smith /Interim Director Mr. Darnall

Thank you Mayor and Board of Trustees.

With the coming of spring, we should be aware of severe weather outbreaks. ESDA has several trained weather spotters and will be called out for any severe weather. Residents should be aware of siren warnings for any severe weather. Our siren system is tested the first Tuesday of every month at 10:30 am.

g. 9-1-1 Board – Ms. Portia Cannamore /Fire Chief Stoffregen

I represent the 911 Board for the Village of Sauk Village. The 911 Board is made up of representatives from the Sauk Village emergency service agencies. It was established to comply with Illinois state law to manage the Village's 911 phone system.

A portion of the one dollar 911 surcharge that residents pay on their phone bill comes from back to the 911 Board. This money is strictly used to maintain and upgrade the Sauk Village emergency dispatch equipment. The law is very specific about how this money can be spent. No salaries are paid from this fund.

Regular duties of Board members include filing an annual report to the state's attorney's office, keeping track of all cell phone carriers servicing our area and maintaining the separate bank account that 911 funds go into.

h. Human Relations Commission – Ms. Yasmeen Lewis /Ms. Sterrett

Thank you Madame Mayor.

The Human Relations Commission presented two deserving Sauk Village residents with Sauk Arrow awards for their many donated hours to the community. Jennifer Chandler received the Junior Sauk Arrow Award and Darrick (Lil D) Thompson received the Sauk Arrow Award at the February 22<sup>nd</sup> Board meeting.

Members of the Human Relations Commission will be attending this year's Diversity Dinners that celebrate the cultural richness of the Southland. These dinners will be held on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at various locations throughout the south suburbs. The Human Relations Commission is also in the process of planning another job fair to be held late summer or early fall.

That concludes my report.

i. Police Alliance Committee – **Mr. Daylen Hubbard/** Trustee Anderson

Madame Mayor, the Police Alliance Committee report is as follows:

The Committee met last Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at 6:00 pm here at the Municipal Center. A recruitment plan was developed. We want your participation.

Mission statement:

Assisting the police department with retention of officers and funding research.

Developing two way information sharing with open communication and advocacy and education. Create a safe and productive environment for the community. Build a positive identity and image for the police department.

The committee is planning to participate in the National Night Out this year which will be held on Tuesday, August 3, 2010. The final competition and prizes of the “that’s your mama” contest will be awarded. The village will be divided into the sections and citizens will be encouraged to participate as we provide crime prevention information. Therefore, the attack on crime will have a more localized approach.

This committee continues to reach out for more citizen participation in rendering support and assistance to the Sauk Village Police Department. Everyone is welcome to join us at our meetings every third Tuesday of the month here at the Municipal Center.

Madame Mayor this will end my report.

## 6. CONSENT AGENDA

There are no items on the Consent Agenda

## 7. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- a. An Ordinance Approving an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Pre-Application for Loan Assistance for Drinking Water Facilities for the Village of Sauk Village, Illinois  
Mayor Towers/ Charles asked for a motion to approve.

**Trustee Tiarney Johnson:** “So Moved “

**Trustee Amber Taylor:** “Second”

**Mayor Towers/Charles:** Village Clerk Please Call the Roll

**Village Clerk Williams/ Stevenson:**

**Ayes: Wharton** (Hanks), **S. Williams** (R. Williams), **McGee** (Burgess), **Davis** (Anderson) Johnson, (Benson), **Taylor** (Myers)

Nays: None

Motion carried

- b. A Resolution to Authorize a Certificate for Tax Increment Financing Distributions for the Village of Sauk Village, Illinois (TIF Draw # 76)  
Mayor Towers/Charles asked for a motion to approve.

**Trustee Amber Taylor:** “So Moved”

**Trustee Symone Wharton:** “Second”

**Mayor Towers/Charles:** Village Clerk Please Call the Roll

**Village Clerk Williams/Stevenson:**

**Ayes: Wharton** (Hanks), **S. Williams** (R. Williams), **McGee** (Burgess), **Davis** (Anderson), **Johnson** (Benson), **Taylor** (Myers)  
Nays: None

Motion carried

8. New Business

- a. Accounts Payable and Disbursements  
\* October 13, 2009 – February 23, 2010  
\* March 1, 2010 – March 23, 2010  
Mayor Towers/ Charles asked for a Motion to Approve.  
**Trustee Sydni Williams:** “So Moved”  
**Trustee Emilicia McGee:** “Second”

**Mayor Towers/ Charles:** Village Clerk Please Call the Roll

**Village Clerk Williams/Stevenson:**  
**Ayes: Wharton** (Hanks), **S. Williams** (R. Williams), **McGee** (Burgess), **Davis** (Anderson), **Johnson** (Benson), **Taylor** (Myers)  
Nays: None

Motion carried

- b. **Mayor Towers/Charles** – Reading of Proclamation for the Rickover Junior High Basketball team.  
Mayor Towers/Charles requested that the Rickover Basketball Coach and Team Members step forward and read the proclamation.

Mayor Towers/Charles asked for a motion to approve the proclamation.  
**Trustee Sydni Williams:** “So Moved”  
**Trustee Emilicia McGee:** “Second”

**Mayor Towers/Charles:** Village Clerk Please Call the Roll

**Village Clerk Williams/Stevenson:**  
**Ayes: Wharton** (Hanks), **S. Williams** (R. Williams), **McGee** (Burgess), **Davis** (Anderson), **Johnson** (Benson), **Taylor** (Myers)  
Nays: None

Motion carried

**9. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

- a. Questions and Comments from the Board of Trustees  
Trustee Burgess thanked DH Kevin Weller and Public Works for a job well done in quickly handling the main break in Deer Creek yesterday. Trustee Burgess stated that all of the Student Government representatives did a fine job.  
Trustee Williams thanked all of the Student Government Day essay winners and stated that this is the first year that all winners were present and that the meeting with very smoothly. Trustee

Williams thanked Public Works for setting up the meeting room and for taking the photos, and thanked the departments who helped with transportation today- ESDA, Police, Code Enforcement, Public Works and Fire.

Mayor Towers also thanked Public Works for their efforts and the Public Relations Committee for putting on tonight's affair. Mayor Towers also thanked the parents of all of the young people who participated; they did a fantastic job. Mayor Towers also commended the Rickover Junior High basketball team for their great season. Mayor Towers recognized Dr. Rudy Williams- Superintendent – School District 168, Scott Strong, Mr. Travellini, School Board President Arleta Bazile and School Board member Mary Howard.

Dr. Williams stated that the students did a great job; he looks forward to tomorrow night and encouraged the kids not to be nervous tomorrow. Dr. Williams thanked the Village for putting on this event; it is always good to showcase the children doing good things. Dr. Williams also stated that four years ago Rickover did not even have a basketball team and they did a great job this year. School district 168 has come a long way.

#### b. Questions from the Audience

Rose Langston stated that the Village Board has competition because the young people did a fantastic job.

John Dennis from the VFW and the American Legion reminded everyone that Monday, May 30, 2010 at 11:00 am there will be a service for the Veteran's at the St. James cemetery. The Boy Scouts will be participating in the ceremony. Everyone is welcome. There will be a 50/50 raffle. The VFW and American Legion will be placing a MIA flag in the Village. John asked Mayor Towers and Trustee Myers that he be placed on the next agenda to discuss a 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade for the Village. Anthony Shabazz from the US Census Bureau thanked Mayor Towers, COS Corley, VC Williams and all of the staff for helping to get the word out about the census. Anthony thanked the students for doing a fine job and stated that it is up to us to get the word out. He is confident that with these fine kids and their parents and the help of the Village residents Sauk Village will be well represented.

#### 10. Adjournment

**Mayor Towers/Charles asked for a motion to adjourn.**

**Trustee Zamira Davis:** "So Moved"

**Trustee Tiarney Johnson:** "Second"

**Ayes:** Wharton (Hanks), S. Williams (R. Williams), McGee (Burgess), Davis (Anderson),

**Johnson** (Benson), **Taylor** (Myers)

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

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Mayor Lewis Towers

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Village Clerk Debra L. Williams