

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, HELD IN THE SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER MARCH 7, 2017.

1. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

Trustee Williams – Baig acted as Mayor ProTem in absence of the Mayor.

Mayor ProTem Williams-Baig called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

On roll call:

Present: Trustees Burgess, Myers, Bates, Washington-House and Williams-Baig

Absent: Trustee Jones

3. Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Submission of an Application to the County of Cook, Illinois requesting Invest in Cook County Grant funds for the Village of Sauk Village

Mayor ProTem Williams Baig stated this is a new grant offered by Cook County. If successful the \$150,000.00 grant will be used for the reconstruction to 223rd Street and Cornell. The letter of support requested from School District 168 was received and will be included with the application. Questions should be directed to Village Administrator JW Fairman. Corporate funds have been identified for the grant match. This resolution will be included on the next board agenda for consideration.

4. Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Submission of an Application to the County of Cook, Illinois requesting Community Development Block Grant funds for the Program Year 2017 for the Village of Sauk Village, Illinois

Mayor ProTem Williams- Baig stated the village will apply for and hope to receive between \$200,000.00 and \$400,000.00 annual CDBG Block Grant funding. If successful the road repairs will include certain portions of Clyde Avenue, 216th Court, 224th Place, Shirley Avenue, Paxton Avenue, 222nd Place, Merrill Avenue and Theisen Avenue (Service Area). The repairs will include wheel chair accessibility. Questions should be directed to Village Administrator JW Fairman. Motor Fuel Tax funds could be used with either of these grants. This resolution will be included on the next board agenda for consideration.

5. Public Comment

All questions and comments must be directed to Mayor Hanks. Each speaker will be given three minutes to comment on the topic(s) of their choice. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak.

Bernie Brewer asked how it was determined what streets would be repaired. Mayor Pro-Tem Baig reported there is a rotating list prepared by the Public Works Director and reviewed by Village Engineer Czarnik. Zenona Ayres stated the Emergency Identification Sticker that was requested months ago has still not been received. Village Clerk Williams stated all paperwork was sent to CalComm Dispatch Center. Village Clerk Williams will follow up with CalComm the next day.

Larry Stewart commented on the CDBG program and the division in Sauk Village.

Jan Clark mentioned a number of vacant houses and discussed the safety issues.

Judy Cast commented on the date of letter from the school district and on CalComm. The letter was dated March 1st. This is a grant that was recently discovered by the Village Engineers. Board members have one week to ask questions.

Frank Williams commented that you can't change the specifics of a CDBG grant. Frank stated people should stop the blame game ask questions directly to the department heads or officials.

Pat Couch commented on the three minute public comment period where you can talk about any topic. Pat

also commented on the building that was boarded up around Christmas and has not been repaired. Mayor ProTem Williams-Baig stated that is a Code Department question.

6. Miscellaneous Business

Comments from the Trustees

Trustee Burgess reported the next Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8th at 7pm in the Village Hall. Trustee Burgess has not received an answer on which trustees voted for money to be transferred from the water fund on the last Account Payable. Trustee Burgess stated there are vacant buildings that are more dangerous that the resident should be concerned with. Mayor Pro-Tem Williams Baig stated she emailed Finance Director Rao for the report.

Trustee Washington-House reported residents and businesses are invited to contribute to and participate in the Unity in the Community free concert taking place on Friday, March 10th at 6:00 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Darryl King from 102.3 FM and the Bling Bling, Willie the Entertainer and the superintendents from Bloom Trail and School District 168 will be on hand. Everyone is invited. Trustee Washington-House thanked everyone who helps with the Neighborhood Watch Committee including the volunteers and Housing Commissioner Gary Holcomb. The green stickers on doors helps to identify vacant homes. Neighbors should call the police if there is activity in that house.

Trustee Myers reported the Fire Department contacts the insurance company the day after a fire. The Fire Marshall is also contacted. Trustee Myers will contact the Fire Marshall about the three houses Mrs. Clark referred to. Trustee Myers commented on vacant houses that were turned over to Cook County and two that are in court. The banks must carry insurance on the houses. The Fire Department is accepting applications for part time fire fighters aged 18 years and older that can pass a background check and physical.

Mayor ProTem Williams-Baig stated the What's Happening in Sauk Village is on the back table along with information on the bilingual presentation of the Property after Death Workshop scheduled for March 22nd, Spring Craft and Vendor Fair- April 8th, Comcast Cares Day- (Clean up the Community) April 22nd. See Village Clerk Williams for more information. Mayor ProTem Williams-Baig stated the resolutions reviewed tonight will be on next week's agenda. Please reach out to Jim Czarnik or Village Administrator Fairman if there are any questions.

7. Adjournment

Mayor ProTem Williams-Baig asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Myers.

All Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Mayor ProTem Rosie Williams-Baig

Village Clerk Debra L. Williams

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 **MARCH 14, 2017.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanks called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hanks led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll call

Present: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tates, Washington-House and Williams-Baig

Trustee Burgess made a motion to suspend the rules and go into executive session for personnel and litigation. The motion was seconded by Trustee Jones.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tates, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: None

Motion carried

The meeting was recessed to enter executive session at 7:06 pm.

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to reconvene. The motion was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Washington-House.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tates, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: None

Motion carried

The meeting was reconvened at 7:42 pm.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Public Comment- All questions and comments must be directed to the Mayor. Each speaker will be given three minutes to comment on any topic. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak.

None

3. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

A. Fire Department/ 911 Committee- Chief Stoffregen (Absent) Trustee Myers read the report.

Trustee Myers reported the Fire Department responded to 15 calls- 3 ambulance / Police Department Assists, 4 fire alarms, 4 lift assists, 1 wires down, 1 gas leak, 2 vehicles assists and 1 premise check.

The fire station will be open overnight to be used as a warming center due to the expected extreme temperatures.

B. Police Department-Police Chief Kowalski

-CalCom Report: For a period between 2/28/2017 and 3/14/2017 the police department received 540 calls for service.

-Police Service Case Summary: During the period of 2/28/2017 thru 3/14/2017 the Sauk Village Police Department had a total of 23 arrests.

-Cases of Note:

On 3/10/2017 Sauk Village Police along with the South Suburban Emergency Response Team (SSERT) executed a search warrant on the 1800 blk of East 218th Pl. After SSERT secured the scene a search of the residence took place with K9 Falco. Drug contraband was recovered and the individuals living in the residence were charged accordingly.

-Letters: On March 2nd while attending the Bloom Trail High School Safety Committee meeting Chief Kowalski received four letters of appreciation from the Bloom Trail Truancy Officer. The letters of appreciation were for the assistance provided to the Truancy Officer by Sgt. Mieszczak, Officer Hufnagl, Officer White and Officer Morris.

4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

A. Mayor's Report- Mayor David Hanks

Mayor Hanks commented on the passing of a former ESDA employee and provided condolences to the Unruh family.

1) Sanitary Sewer Cleaning- Bid Opening- No bids were presented. The bid request will be resubmitted.

B. Village Clerk – Mrs. Debbie Williams

Village Clerk Williams reported the village turned “60” on March 12th. (The actual date of incorporation). The Property After Death Workshop (Bi-lingual presentation) is scheduled for Thursday, March 22nd presented by Cook County Recorder of Deeds. This informative workshop will also include Property Fraud.

“What’s Happening in Sauk Village” is on the back table. Comcast Cares Day April 22nd- Community Clean Up 7:30 am – 130 pm. (Comcast, Mentoring Youth through Technology, Crossroads Church and Sauk Village volunteers) waivers are required. Five or six clean up sites will be identified.

Crossroads Church of God is hosting a corned beef dinner on Friday, March 17th from 4pm-7pm. The cost is \$9.00 and \$7.00 for seniors. Last week’s draft minutes did not include the Police Chief and Village Administrator’s reports. Clarification was needed. The final draft was submitted to the board prior to the meeting.

Village Clerk Williams followed up with CalComm Dispatch regarding an emergency identification sticker that was not received by a resident. CalComm stated all stickers have been issued except the one in question. CalComm identified the issue of why it was not issued and will rectify the situation within the week. If the problem would have been brought to the Clerk’s attention sooner it could have been dealt with sooner. Village Clerk Williams stated her door is always open to help all residents.

C. Village Administrator/ Director of Public Safety- JW Fairman, Jr.

ComED: A meeting is scheduled with ComED to discuss repair of Sauk Village street lights.

The ComED representative informed Administrator Fairman that no Sauk Village street light(s) have been reported for repair. Public Works has yet to confirm or deny that information.

However and at the request of Administrator Fairman, the Sauk Village Police Department has recorded 58 Sauk Village street lights deficient. Their Sauk Village Police Department list will be the point of discussion with the ComED representative.

Doors: It was reported to Administrator Fairman that the front doors of Village Hall have been left open after Village Hall hours. Administrator Fairman had the Village's IT person review tapes of the after hour time periods. Administrator Fairman found that no one compromised the doors and suggested it may have been due to the change in CDT time. The Police Department will periodically check the building.

Budget: The Judge in the Henrietta Turner v. Sauk Village case has instructed the Village to budget \$101,000.00 in its 2017-2018 budget for this litigation.

Ongoing Investigation: For the sake of transparency, the Federal Inspector General's Office and the FBI have been interviewing Sauk Village employees in regards to an ongoing investigation as recently as this week. I am not at liberty to discuss nor do I know the details of this case. Discussion was held on the Turner litigation and the activation of the new key fobs.

5. REPORTS OF TRUSTEES AND BOARD COMMITTEES

A. Senior Committee/ Beautification Committee- Report read by Mayor Hanks

Reminder, Bloom Township Senior Community Lunch Program luncheon 'Hula Hula' is tomorrow Wednesday, March 15th at the Serbian Social Center, 18550 Stony Island, Lansing.

Tickets for the Tuesday, April 11th luncheon (last luncheon for the season) with 'The Incognito's' will go on sale at the luncheon. The Senior Department is taking appointments for AARP tax preparation. Openings are still available for several trips again this year. Call (708) 754-9400 for appointment and/or information. Affordable transportation is available within the township, call (708) 754-8200 a couple of days prior to an event. There is no charge to the Community Luncheon.

Golden Agers meeting at Jones Memorial Community Center tomorrow, March 15, 2017 at 220 15th St., Chicago Heights, Social hour at 10:00 a.m., 10:30 meeting and lunch served at 11:30a.m. Golden Agers will be donating a Theme Basket of Chocolates for the Brotherhood Banquet. Funds raised from the raffle will benefit scholarship (\$1,000 each) for high school seniors from Bloom or Bloom Trail. Lunch reservation, call (708) 757-5395. Annual dues are \$5.00 and lunch \$5.00.

AgeOptions and South Suburban Senior Services, Catholic Charities will be holding a 'Fraud Prevention Fair' this Friday, March 17th from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Josephine P. Argento Senior Center, 1700 Memorial Dr., Calumet City. Bring your old Medicare Summary Notices or other personal documents to be shredded – a secured drop boxes will be on site. Fraud Bingo will be played.

All senior citizens (50+ years), regardless of residency are welcome to attend the every Friday 12:30-3:30 p.m. Senior Open Activity. Bottled water and light refreshments are available.

'Rummikub' tile game is very popular with the attendees. However, we have other games, adult coloring (book and colored pencils) available or you made bring your own game or craft. The next Saturday, March 25th (and every 4th Saturday) at 5:00 p.m. (doors open at 4:00 p.m.) participants are asked to bring appetizers or finger type foods to share.

Fun Club Candidate's Forum Saturday, March 25th – doors open at 12:00 p.m., see flyer for details.

Space still open for Chili chef volunteers for our '9th Annual Chili Cook Off' this Saturday, March 18th, see flyer for details.

The Senior Committee meets every second Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

B. Parks and Recreation Committee- Trustee Jones

Trustee Jones reported the Open Gym is Saturday, March 25th from 11am to 2:30pm. The Parks and Recreation Committee will be stuffing Easter Eggs on Good Friday morning at the Community Center starting at 9:30 am. The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 15th from 11:00am until 1pm.

Summer Camp registration and orientation is scheduled from 10am-11am on Saturday, April 29th. Open Gym will follow from 11am-2:30pm.

Trustee Jones asked for an update on the installation of the floor tiles in the Community Center and the detention pond. Administrator Fairman is waiting for the board to direct fixing the issue behind Sigma or to put a fence up. Discussion was held on what has caused the problem. Follow up will be conducted.

C. Public Works Committee- Trustee Burgess

Trustee Burgess read the Public Works 2017 schedule-

Street Sweeping

The street sweeping schedule for the 2017 season will be as follows: The week beginning- **April 10, May 8, June 12, July 10, August 7, September 11, and October 9**. Sweeping the month of November will follow our leaf pickup program.

If additional sweepings are necessary, notification will be posted on the Marquee located on Sauk Trail at the corner of Cornell Ave.

Ordinance prohibits parking on the streets between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. during the day of your garbage pickup.

Hydrant Flushing

Hydrants will be flushed in the following sections of town on the specified dates for 2017.

April 4 - South Side of town; south of Sauk Trail & west of Torrence extending to Deer Creek

May 2 - North Side of town; north of Sauk Trail extending to Carlisle Estates

June 6 - Eastern section of town; located east of Torrence & south of Sauk Trail

July 11 - South Side of town; south of Sauk Trail & west of Torrence extending to Deer Creek

August 8 - North Side of town; north of Sauk Trail extending to Carlisle Estates

September 5 - Eastern Section of town; located east of Torrence & south of Sauk Trail

October 3 - South Side of town; south of Sauk Trail & west of Torrence extending to Deer Creek

Actual flushing will begin at 11:00 P.M. of previous night, continuing through the morning until the area has been completed to lesson any complaints.

Residents should refrain from washing whites during flushing and for at least 24 to 48 hours after flushing.

Tree Limb Pickup

The first pickup for the 2017 season will begin **Monday May 1** and end on **Friday May 12**. Residents are asked to have limbs out no later than **Sunday May 7**.

The second and final pickup for the 2017 season will begin **Monday September 4** and end on **Friday September 15**. Residents are asked to have limbs out no later than **Sunday September 10**.

Remember to bundle small branches and to stack branches neatly in the same direction as this speeds the tree limb pickup. There will be no branches picked up after these dates **no exceptions**

Anyone having questions concerning their pickup can call the Village Hall (758-3330) Monday through Friday 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. If additional pick-ups are necessary, notification will be posted on the Marquee located on Sauk Trail at the corner of Cornell Ave.

Leaf Sweep Program

The leaf pickup program will begin November 6 through 10, skipping the week of 13 through 17, residents can still put leaves out up until November 19. Our final pickup will begin November 20; crews will be out to pick up each section on garbage day, **THEY WILL NOT COME BACK AFTER THIS PASS. *Village Ordinance prohibits parking on the streets between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. during the day of your garbage pickup.*** Copies of this report are available on the website and posted in the hallway.

D. Housing and Intergovernmental Committee- Trustee Tates

Trustee Tates stated both of the Intergovernmental Committees met to discuss four possible dates for the second Homebuyer's workshop. The IGRC Committee will also reach out to PACE Bus Company to suggest altering the bus routes that are more beneficial to Sauk Village residents and will increase ridership in Sauk Village. The committee is also reaching out to other communities to see if there are programs that could benefit Sauk Village residents.

E. Public Safety/Ordinance Review Committee- Trustee Myers

Trustee Myers stated the Unity in the Community program was very well attended and everything went well. Trustee Myers stated Ordinance Committee is looking for new members. Trustee Myers stated the Debt Recovery Committee is working well to collect past due debts. Trustee Myers contacted the Illinois State Fire Marshall about the abandoned homes. Two of the homes are still in court. Additional houses are getting ready for demolition. Abandoned houses are dangerous. The Village Attorneys continue to research the status of these vacant homes.

F. Neighborhood Watch Committee- Trustee Washington-House

Trustee Washington-House thanked her co-chair Trustee Ed Myers, Trustee Jones and committee members Arlene and Rachel for their assistance with the Unity in the Community free concert. A variety of entertainment including, Commissioner Latonya West, Champ Dance Troupe, Willie the Entertainer, Holy Praise Tabernacle mimes, WVON radio personality Mrs. Darryl King and other local talent performed to a packed house. District 168 was also well represented including Jeremiah Johnson and the custodians. Neighborhood Watch decals are available.

G. Budget, Finance and Community Relations Committees – Trustee Williams-Baig

Trustee Williams-Baig reported Finance Director Rao distributed the available cash balance report. Student Government Day is rescheduled to April 25th due to student testing. The Candidate's Questionnaire was given to each candidate running for office in the April 4th election. The responses will be included in the March Sauk Talk. Two trustee candidates sent the questionnaire back in the wrong format, one trustee candidate and one village clerk candidate sent it to the wrong email, two candidates sent their questionnaires late and two did not respond at all- both mayoral candidates. Trustee Williams-Baig contacted the committee to determine the next step. The Public Relations Committee decided to give everyone a 24 hour extension to hand in the final questionnaire in order to make sure the residents get all of the information. The deadline is 5pm Wednesday. All responses must be submitted electronically. Additional discussion was held on the format. All questions are optional. Everyone will answer the same questions. No bios or campaign literature will be accepted.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Motion to Approve all Accounts Payables and Disbursements- March 1st through March 14, 2017 according to Sauk Village policy

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. Trustee Burgess asked for a motion to approve the Accounts

Payable with the exception to put invoice items #18243, 18381 and 18793 on hold until further documentation can be provided. The motion to approve seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Burgess, Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays; Trustees Jones, Tate

Motion carried

B. Motion to Approve Motion to Approve a Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Submission of an Application to the County of Cook, Illinois requesting Invest in Cook County Grant funds for the Village of Sauk Village

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Washington-House. Discussion was held on the federal grant that will be used for road repairs to Cornell to Sauk Trail up to 223rd Street, 223rd Street to Cornell Avenue and 223rd to Torrence Avenue. The grant originally called for 80% federal funding and a 20% match to be paid with village MFT funds. This grant will cover the Village's match. A letter of support has also been received from School District 168.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Burgess, Myers, Tate, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: None

Abstain: Trustee Jones

Motion carried

C. Motion to Approve a Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Submission of an Application to the County of Cook, Illinois requesting Community Development Block Grant funds for the Program Year 2017 for the Village of Sauk Village, Illinois

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Burgess, Myers, Tate, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: None

Abstain: Trustee Jones

Motion carried

D. Motion to Approve Committee Meeting minutes – February 21, 2017

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Myers and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Jones, Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Trustees Burgess, Tate

Motion carried

E. Motion to Approve Board Meeting minutes February 28, 2017

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Jones, Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Trustee Tate

Present: Trustee Burgess

Motion carried

F. Motion to Approve Committee Meeting minutes – March 7, 2017

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Trustees Burgess, Tate

Abstain: Trustee Jones

Motion carried

7. Miscellaneous Comments from the Mayor and Board of Trustees

Trustee Myers asked for an explanation on the cell phone bill and breakdown by department. Administrator Fairman will research the issue. Trustee Myers also inquired about purchasing the Firehouse software program for the fire department. There is research presently being conducted. Trustee Tate commented on the use of cellphones and how they are paid for. Trustee Tate also asked for clarification on whether the \$200,000.00 computer purchase was a purchase or lease. Trustee Jones reported Park and Recreation is always looking for volunteers. Several upcoming activities are planned including Open Gym. The summer program has varying hours to volunteer.

Trustee Washington –House reported Tina and the line dancers and a Janet Jackson impersonator also performed at the Unity in the Community concert. Block club captains are always needed. Neighborhood Watch encourages residents to put their front and back porch lights on. Trustee Washington-House thanked everyone that has always supported the Neighborhood Watch events.

Trustee Burgess stated the Town Hall meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 15th at 7pm at the Village Hall. Trustee Burgess congratulated Trustee Jones on the newest addition to his family.

Mayor Hanks directed Administrator Fairman to research the computer equipment. The last Meet the Mayor is scheduled for March 18th from 9am-11 am.

There will be a recap of the last four years prior to his retirement after 18 years as an elected official and 10 years of involvement in the community. Mayor Hanks is passing a lot off to the department heads and is looking for a smooth transition. Mayor Hanks will be around to assist the next administration, if needed, to help the village continue to prosper. Mayor Hanks reviewed some of the recent projects including the Winpak expansion. Mayor Hanks is asking for Sauk Village residents to get priority for jobs. The Chili Cook –Off will follow the Meet the Mayor in the Senior Center at noon.

8. Adjournment

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Washington-House.

All Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Mayor David Hanks

Village Clerk Debra L. Williams

MINUTES OF THE **SPECIAL MEETING** OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, HELD IN THE SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER **MARCH 14, 2017.**

1. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

Mayor Hanks called the meeting to order at 6:48 pm.

On roll call:

Present: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Bates and Williams-Baig

Absent: Trustee Washington-House (Entered the meeting at 6:50 pm)

2. NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES)

Village Engineer Jim Czarnik provided the following information at the public hearing for NPDES.

PUBLIC HEARING

Required by Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) in accord with Village's Notice-of-Intent (NOI) for the Illinois General Permit ILR 40 (permit is performed on a 5-year cycle; next NOI due by 10/1/20 for new permit cycle beginning in 2021)

- I. Introduction and General Description of NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) permit for MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) communities

GOAL – Eliminate pollutants from entering storm sewer system/detention ponds and depositing into rivers, lakes, creeks, which are the ultimate outlet points. For Sauk Village, these would be the Lansing Drainage Ditch and Deer Creek.

- II. **Six Required Minimum Control Measures (MCMs)**

1) Public Education and Outreach

- a) What the Village has done to inform the public is:
 1. The annual report has been posted to the Village's website
 2. A pollution prevention flyer was posted to the Village's website, was printed in the Sauk Talk, and was posted to the bulletin board at the Village Hall
- b) REMINDER: Do not dump oil, paint or other chemicals down the sewer
- c) REMINDER: Clean up after your dogs in your yard and parks

2) Public Involvement and Participation

- a) This Public Hearing is an example of this
- b) Village welcomes public involvement; call Public Works if you notice any spills in the Village's streams
- c) Sauk Village hosted a Community Clean Up Day on May 21, 2016 to clean up around Village buildings and public right-of-ways

3) Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE)

- a) The Village has an ordinance that it uses to address illegal discharges to Village waterways
- b) Public Works has identified all outfalls within the Village
- c) The Village maintains an up-to-date sewer atlas that indicates all the outfalls
- d) The Village's goal is to inspect 20% of the outfalls on an annual basis

4) Control of Construction Site Storm Water Runoff

- a) The Village has an erosion control ordinance in place to address construction site storm water runoff
- b) Developers are required to provide a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), which addresses how to prevent erosion at construction sites
- c) Developers are required to inspect their sites weekly during construction and after rain events
- 5) Post-Construction Storm Water Management**
 - a) The Village has an post-construction ordinance in place to address long term control of storm water pollution from newly developed sites
 - b) Final inspections are required before the developer can leave the site
 - c) Detention is required for all developments in Village
 - d) Detention ponds and other post-construction measures filter out sediments prior to the sediments being released to the environment
- 6) Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping**
 - a) The Village conducts street sweeping, branch pick up, and leaf collection periodically throughout the year
 - b) The Village's goal is to clean 20% of the Village's catch basins per year to prevent the collected material from reaching the Village's waterways
 - c) The Village requests the public's help in inspecting inlets and catch basins and keeping them clear of debris
 - d) Robinson Engineering or Village staff will develop a municipal operations program and storm water management program for storm water Best Management Practices

III. Annual Activities Moving Forward

- An annual report is made to the IEPA each year by June 1
- Ordinances and the storm sewer atlas are reviewed yearly
- Public Works will conduct in-house training for good housekeeping practices
- Public Works will mow and remove litter from detention ponds
- Public Works is participating in a watershed group organized to implement control measures that will reduce chloride contamination in the watershed's receiving streams
- Robinson Engineering will ensure that developments comply with storm water ordinances and floodplain regulations

3. All questions and comments must be directed to the Mayor. Each speaker will be given three minutes to comment. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak on agenda items only.

Clarification was provided that detention ponds or permeable pavers may be required for large new construction projects.

Trustee Myers commented on issues with the Lincoln-Lansing drainage ditch and asked if the village could direct Robinson Engineering to investigate the lack of cleaning up the area around the ditch. Mayor Hanks directed Administrator Fairman to draft a letter from the Mayor's desk as the first step.

Trustee Tates asked who should be responsible for maintaining the ditch of new developments. Village Engineer Czarnik stated all developers must present a long term care maintenance plan to the village board for approval prior to the approval of new developments according to the revised MWRD ordinance.

No public comment.

4. Adjournment

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

All Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Mayor David Hanks

Village Clerk Debra L. Williams

MINUTES OF THE **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, HELD IN THE SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER MARCH 21, 2017.**

1. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

Mayor Hanks called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

On roll call:

Present: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tate and Williams-Baig

Absent: Trustee

2. Discuss Sale of Village Property (Fire Truck)

Mayor Hanks reviewed an ordinance that will allow the mayor or his designee (Fire Chief) to accept no less than \$20,000.00 in payment for the fire truck that is currently available for sale. The sale will then be ratified at the next board meeting. This ordinance will be placed on the next board agenda for consideration.

3. Discuss 2016 Abatements for Tax Levy Year 2016

Ordinance (abatement of 2002A and 2002B for tax levy year 2016)

Ordinance (abatement of Series 2008 for tax levy year 2016)

Ordinance (abatement of Series 2009 for tax levy year 2016)

Mayor Hanks reviewed the tax abatements for tax levy year 2016. The tax levy ordinances must be approved by April 1st. Trustee Burgess asked if these payments will pay off these bonds and where is the money coming from. Further discussion is required. Kane, McKenna representative Mary Thompson will be asked to attend a 6:30 pm Special Meeting on March 28th to answer the board's questions. The tax abatements are on the next agenda for consideration.

4. Discuss an Ordinance amending Section 78-19 (Charges) of Article II (Water) of Chapter 78 (Utilities) of the Village Code

Mayor Hanks reviewed an ordinance that calls for a \$1.00 reduction in water rates. The minutes of March 3, 2015 state that the additional rate increase from \$5.50 to \$7.50 per 1,000 gallons was required to pay the IEPA loan for water treatment plant improvements. The \$5.50 rate is a break even rate. The minutes also state if loan forgiveness occurs the increase is not required. Loan forgiveness has occurred on the IEPA loan leaving a balance of less than \$900,000.00. Mayor Hanks recommended reducing the water rates by \$1.00. Discussion was held on alternative uses for the \$1.00. Two installment payments of approximately \$29,000.00 are made annually. Discussion was held on the water treatment plant improvements and past discussions regarding obtaining Lake Michigan water. Mayor Hanks stated the \$2.00 increase pertained only to repaying the IEPA loan and did not apply to Lake Michigan water. The village continues to pursue Lake Michigan water. The next administration will need to carry on the pursuit. Additional discussion was held on the infrastructure repairs needed and the options of obtaining Lake Michigan water. The referendum approved by the residents is no longer valid because the amount in the referendum has increased. A new referendum is required,

5. Public Comment

All questions and comments must be directed to Mayor Hanks. Each speaker will be given three minutes to comment on the topic(s) of their choice. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak.

Bernice Brewer Houston commented on paying back the loan with money borrowed from the water fund and the need for the infrastructure repairs.

Renee Richardson said the money should be held until a later time for the new board to review. Renee also asked how much is owed in back taxes. Mayor Hanks stated some residents are in favor of the decrease.

Other residents that did not provide their names commented on the water.

Judy Cast commented on money owed to the Pension Fund and meeting the demands of certain agencies before we can get Lake Michigan water. Judy spoke on political matters.

Heidi Parker commented on the water being treated and safe to drink.

Rachel Lupian commented the water is safe to drink.

Zenona Ayres commented on an issue with obtaining the Emergency Identification Sticker from CalCom dispatch.

Frank Williams commented on a discussion with an Aqua Water representative regarding the cost of the loops needed and back taxes owed to Sauk Village.

A resident has been asking the village to fix the cap on her water.

6. Miscellaneous Business

Comments from the Trustees

Trustee Williams-Baig stated Sue Stacey from CalComm will be at the next meeting with the sticker for Ms. Ayres. Trustee Williams-Baig stated false information is being shared. The referendum is obsolete. Air strippers were installed to take care of the contamination. Loops are needed to keep the water circulated. Lake Michigan water will flow through the same pipes with the sediment in them.

Trustee Burgess asked to table item #4 for further discussion with the new administration. More research needs to be done on Lake Michigan water.

Trustee Tate commented on disrespect to the residents and the CalComm sticker matter. Trustee Tate commented on why he votes "no".

Trustee Jones reported there will be Open Gym in the Community Center this Saturday from 11am-2:30 pm.

Trustee Washington-House reported the Neighborhood Watch will meet the second Monday of the month at the Fire Station at 7pm. Decals are available. Trustee Washington-House thanked everyone who attended and participated in the Unity in the Community event. There was a reception afterwards. Trustee Washington-House thanked Trustee Jones for the use of the Community Center and thanked her co-chair and committee for their help with the event.

Trustee Myers stated problems with the water have been corrected. Trustee Myers agreed to table the item. Mayor Hanks stated the water was discussed at length. Mayor Hanks reiterated the minutes reflect the increase is not required if loan forgiveness occurs. Mayor Hanks stated discussion was held and questions were answered. This item will be on the agenda next week. Mayor Hanks commented on the attack of an employee and the threats they receive.

(All references to politics have been omitted.)

7. Adjournment

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig. All Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Mayor David Hanks

Village Clerk Debra L. Williams

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 **MARCH 28, 2017.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanks called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hanks led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll call

Present: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Bates, Washington-House and Williams-Baig

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Public Comment- All questions and comments must be directed to the Mayor. Each speaker will be given three minutes to comment on any topic. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak.

Jacque' Glaze asked for an update on her past inquiry. Jacque' also made political references. Mayor Hanks answered the question regarding the cost of litigation, FOIA's and administration costs paid out under this administration for Wiszowaty, Houston and Anderson totals \$112,250.00.

3. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

A. Fire Department/ 911 Committee- Chief Stoffregen (Absent) Trustee Myers read the report.

Trustee Myers reported the Fire Department responded to 29 calls-4 ambulance/PD Assists, 7 fire alarms, 5 lift assists, 1 wires down, 1 gas leak, 1 CO alarm, 2 mutual aid responses, 1 still alarm, 1CO alarm and 7 vehicles accidents.

The Pancake Breakfast is scheduled from 8am-12 pm at the fire station on Sunday, April 12th. The Easter Bunny will be there so bring your camera. Cost- Adults \$5, seniors \$4 and kids under 3 free. The new engine is in service.

B. Police Department-Police Chief Kowalski- Absent- Report read by Village Administrator Fairman

CalCom Report: For a period between **3/14/2017** and **3/28/2017** the police department received **495** calls for service.

-Police Arrests: During the period of **3/14/2017** thru **3/28/2017** the Sauk Village Police Department had a total of **36** arrests.

-Cases of Note:

On **3/19/2017** Sauk Village Police was called to assist the ambulance on the 2000 block of 218th St. for an unresponsive baby. Upon arrival, the 2 1/2 month old baby was not breathing and rushed to the hospital. Due to the nature of this incident, DCFS was contacted along with the SVPD Detectives. An autopsy was conducted and was deemed inconclusive pending toxicology results.

On **3/23/2017** Sauk Village Police were called to Tony's Food and Liquor for a report of shots fired. Upon arriving the Officers found the Victim, Offenders and Witnesses have all fled the scene. Through investigative means the Officers were able to identify the Offender who were known to the department and later apprehended and charged with reckless discharge of a firearm.

On **3/24/2017** Sauk Village Police were called to the 21700 block of Peterson Ave. for a call of shots fired. Upon arriving Officers found the Victim, Offenders and witnesses all fled the area. No one in the area wanted to cooperate with the police.

-Mentoring Program: Officer Josh Morris with the assistance of the Bloom Trail High School Truancy Officer Kim Kracik and the support of the Sauk Village Police Department have created a mentoring program for 12 to 17 year old boys which will be held at GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 2500 E. 223rd St., Sauk Village, IL. The mentoring program will begin on April 8th thru May 13th from 4pm to 6pm and will focus on respect for self and others, work ethics learning and self-growth, roles and relationships and drill movements and positions. Flyers about the program will be on the back table for more information.

4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

A. Mayor's Report- Mayor David Hanks

Mayor Hanks clarified items that have been misrepresented to the residents. Mayor Hanks presented boards that show the \$2 million dollars worth of road and infrastructure projects that were completed during his administration from 2012-2017. Mayor Hanks clarified that the water fund and garbage funds are separate. Garbage pickup is included on the water bill and billed separately. Mayor Hanks further discussed the total litigation, Foia and administrative costs attributed to three individuals- Wiszowaty, Houston and Anderson.

1) Proclamation- Comcast Cares Day

Village Clerk Williams read the proclamation for Comcast Cares Day in Sauk Village. Comcast Cares Day is April 22, 2017.

Mayor Hanks reported the ordinance referred to in agenda item #6G pertains to reducing the water bill by \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons. The water rate was increased by \$2.00 to defray the cost of the \$4.8 million dollar IEPA loan for water treatment plant improvements. The water treatment plant improvements have been completed. Loan forgiveness and a state grant in the amount of almost \$4 million dollars leaves a balance due of less than \$900,000.00 to be paid over the course of the next 20 years. Mayor Hanks is recommending reducing the water rate by \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons. The remaining \$1.00 will pay the annual loan amount with some funds left over for any additional work that needs to be done.

B. Village Clerk – Mrs. Debbie Williams

“What’s Happening in Sauk Village” is on the back table. Crossroads Church of God is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15th from 1pm-4pm. There will be 21,000 eggs and drawings for baskets and bikes. Trustee Jones will report on the Parks and Recreation Easter Egg Hunt. The next Property after Death workshop is scheduled for Thursday, March 31 at 6:30 pm in the Village Hall. Information will be provided on trusts, deeds and property fraud for homeowners. Sauk Village is hosting the first bilingual presentation.

The Spring Craft and Vendor Fair is scheduled for Saturday, April 8th from 10am-4pm. The fee for vendors is \$15.00. Comcast Cares Day is Saturday, April 22nd from 8am-1pm. Volunteers, including Comcast employees, will be cleaning up and sprucing up eleven sites that have already been identified. Comcast will provide supplies, including flowers, mulch, rakes, etc... and breakfast and lunch for the volunteers. Donation Savers will also be collecting clothes, books and other household items. Sauk Village will receive a small stipend per pound from the items collected. The stipend will be used for the Sauk Village 60th Anniversary. Village Clerk Williams reported on following up with CalComm each time a resident presented their issue with the Emergency Program. CalComm representative Sue Stacey was present to provide the sticker to the resident and answer any questions regarding the program. Village Clerk Williams assured that the resident’s personal information was always secured and remained confidential.

C. Village Administrator/ Director of Public Safety- JW Fairman, Jr.

MISC:

Water Revenues:

With 5 days left in March and the full month of April yet to go, water revenues have exceeded last year by \$119,870.53. It is projected that by fiscal year end revenues will exceed last year by as much as \$400,000.

Treasurers Report:

It was brought to Administrator Fairman's attention that Mr. Wiszowaty posted a "BlogSpot" on his Facebook page indicating that the recent Treasurers Report neglected to include the payment information for himself and his assistant. Administrator Fairman researched this claim and found that he was correct. As of yesterday, the Treasurers Report was amended to include that information. Had the Village had the accounting software to generate this report errors such as this would be a non-issue. If you recall Administrator Fairman has asked the Board in the past for funds to replace the Village's outdated accounting software.

However, and as Mr. Wiszowaty knows (through his recent FOIA on 1/15/2017) Administrator Fairman's income is \$80,000 with no deductions plus reimbursements are fixed by contract.

Administrator Fairman's assistant's income is \$20,000 with no deductions or reimbursements. Not the combined \$125,000 he stated on his BlogSpot.

Also in his "BlogSpot", Mr. Wiszowaty implied that Administrator Fairman may have committed some sort of misconduct regarding pension laws. Administrator Fairman stated he has not. Administrator Fairman's attorney also disagrees with his inferences and will address Mr. Wiszowaty and his claims legally.

TIF #3 Project:

For approximately a year Administrator Fairman and his assistant have been working, with the approval of the Mayor, to bring a Global Corporation to Sauk Village.

The fiscal impact for the Village would bring much needed financial relief in the form of:

- Hundreds of local long term employment opportunities and mid-term construction jobs;
- Hundreds of thousands of dollars in additional property tax revenue and construction fees;
- Secondary development, bringing additional jobs, property and sales tax revenue as well as user fee and construction returns and finally;
- This corporation has indicated that it would be amiable to providing the Village with annual grants to help upgrade our public buildings and aging infrastructure.

The project was put on hold last August. As of a few days ago we were advised that it was beginning to move forward again. A tentative offer on property on the North end of TIF3 has been placed. This past Monday we were notified that on site due diligence was being conducted. Secondary development, ancillary to this project, is proposing a truck stop and a "named" Hotel/Motel at the corner of 394 and Sauk Trail, adding approximately 50 additional employment opportunities.

Project and spin off revenue for the Village's ailing General fund has not yet been estimated but it is projected that deficit spending for this Fund will be eliminated.

Administrator Fairman and his assistant believe that Sauk Village can and should be the new leader in economic development in the South Suburban area. Administrator Fairman will continue to update the Board on the progress of this project as it occurs. The Village has been asked to withhold the name of the corporation until it can secure the necessary documents to move forward, at that time they will prepare a formal news release.

Discussion was held on the proposed development and a recent meeting with ComEd representative Lisa Aprati. ComEd is working with Public Works Director Weller to identify who is responsible for the street light outages. Public Works will schedule repairs as needed.

5. REPORTS OF TRUSTEES AND BOARD COMMITTEES

A. Senior Committee/ Beautification Committee- Report read by Mayor Hanks

Deadline Tuesday, April 11, 2017 to purchase the Bloom Township Senior Community Luncheon tickets for the event to be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017. The Incognito's will provide some memorable entertainment. The AARP Smart Driver course will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 18 and 19. Pre-registration is required through the township Senior Department by completing the enrollment application with a check or money order payable to AARP dated the first day of class. The next line dance classes will begin Thursday mornings from 10-11 a.m. April 6, 13, 20, 27 – May 4, 11, 18 – June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, the fee is \$20 for a 3 month session.

Openings are still available for several trips again this year. Call (708) 754-9400 for an appointment and/or information. Affordable transportation available within the township, call (708) 754-8200 a couple of days prior to an event, there is no charge for transportation to the Community Luncheon.

Golden Agers meeting at Jones Memorial Community Center is on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at 220 15th St., Chicago Heights,

Social hour at 10:00 a.m., 10:30a.m. meeting and lunch served at 11:30 a.m. For Lunch reservation, call (708) 757-5395. Annual dues are \$5.00 and lunch is \$5.00.

All senior citizens (50+ years), regardless of residency are welcome to attend the every Friday 12:30-3:30 p.m. Senior Open Activity. Bottled water and light refreshments are available.

'Rummikub' tile game is very popular with the attendees. However, we have other games, adult coloring (book and colored pencils) available or you made bring your own game or craft. Last Saturday (and every fourth Saturday), was also Open Senior Activity. March 25th Open Activity was a scheduled event that some seniors missed to due to misinformation.

The Senior Committee meets every second Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

B. Parks and Recreation Committee- Trustee Jones

Trustee Jones reported the next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled for April 6th at the Village Hall. The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 15th from 11am-1pm. There will also be prizes, treats and other activities.

C. Public Works Committee- Trustee Burgess

Trustee Burgess reported a few water main breaks he noticed to Public Works Director. Trustee Burgess read the Public Works Report prepared by Public Works Director Kevin Weller.

Item 1 Public works yearly programs will begin in April. First item hydrant flushing April 4 on the south side of town, south of Sauk Trail & west of Torrence extending and finishing in Deer creek.

Item 2 April Street sweep begins Monday the 10 please keep all vehicles off the street during the garbage pickup date this assures that each street is completed.

Item 3 Water loss fact sheet, Copies of Illinois rural water association sheet can be picked up at Village Hall and will be placed on line to understand how a simple leak can cause your bill to go up. Resident who have question can call the village hall and make an appointment to have staff come out to check village equipment.

Item 3 IDOT road resurface work will begin April 10, Nicor Gas will be working at Burnham & Sauk Trail expect traffic delays during this improvement. All other work will follow from sidewalk at Sauk trail & Torrence to resurfacing from Torrence to Rte. 3. Estimated completion date August.

Item 4 After the mild winter staff has been out daily doing pothole work, this is temporary due to the asphalt plant not producing permanent patch, once they open for the season we will be back to do a final patch.

D. Housing and Intergovernmental Committee- Trustee Tates

Trustee Tates stated both of the Intergovernmental Committees met to discuss the process of establishing the second Homebuyer's workshop. The first workshop was a couple of years ago. The tentative date is April 27th. Loan officers and realtors will be present. There are over 400 vacant homes in the village. The IGR Committee is reaching out to other communities to see if there are programs that could benefit Sauk Village residents.

E. Public Safety/Ordinance Review Committee- Trustee Myers

Trustee Myers reported the CEO of Winpak is inquiring who to report street light outages to. There are several lights out in the Industrial Park. Trustee Myers reported on a sign that recently collapsed on a car in a parking lot. Trustee Myers asked for the Code Enforcement department to investigate if there are any rules and regulations on the maintenance of large signs. Trustee Myers asked for an update on the detention pond behind the Village Hall. Trustee Myers asked for an investigation on traffic signs that are not operating properly or not visible. Mayor Hanks stated the new owner of the property responsible for the problem with the detention pond is working with Public Works Director Weller. Mayor Hanks directed Trustee Myers to follow up with Chief Kowalski and Kevin Weller on the street signs.

F. Neighborhood Watch Committee- Trustee Washington-House

Trustee Washington-House stated the Neighborhood Watch is still looking for block club captains. Trustee Washington stated that everyone should leave their front and back lights on. The committee is engaging with the youth in Sauk Village while they are on Spring Break.

G. Budget, Finance and Community Relations Committees – Trustee Williams-Baig

Trustee Williams-Baig reported Student Government Day is scheduled for April 25th. Reports should be provided electronically to the Village Clerk or Trustee Williams-Baig. Reports should include a description of what the committee does or a mission statement and any events planned. The Budget and Finance Committee will meet Wednesday, March 29th at 10am at the Village Hall. The upcoming budget will be discussed. Mayor Hanks stated Finance Director Rao is working with the department heads on their budgets. The \$101,000.00 for the Turner litigation will be included in the budget.

6. NEW BUSINESS

New Business

A. Motion to Approve all Accounts Payables and Disbursements- March 15 , 2017 through March 28, 2017 according to Sauk Village policy

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Myers and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

On roll call

Ayes: Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Jones, Tates

Present: Burgess

Motion carried

Mayor Hanks reported no money was borrowed from the water fund for this Accounts Payable.

B. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Abating a Tax for General Obligation Tax Increment Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2002A and 2002B, of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Myers and seconded by Trustee Washington-House.

On roll call:

Ayes: Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tate, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: None

Motion carried

C. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Abating a Tax for General Obligation Tax Increment Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2008, of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call:

Ayes: Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tate, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: None

Motion carried

D. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Abating a Tax for General Obligation Tax Increment Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2009, of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call:

Ayes: Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tate, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: None

Motion carried

E. Motion to Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes- March 14, 2017

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Washington-House.

On roll call:

Ayes: Jones, Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Burgess, Tate

Motion carried

F. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale or Disposition of Surplus Property-(Fire Truck)

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Myers and seconded by Trustee Washington-House.

A separate ordinance will be required for police cars.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tate, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: None

Motion carried

G. Motion to Approve an Ordinance amending Section 78-19 (Charges) of Article II (Water) of Chapter 78 (Utilities) of the Village Code

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Myers and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

Trustee Burgess asked to table this motion. The rate should not change. The extra \$1.00 could be used for infrastructure repairs and working toward lake Michigan water. Mayor Hanks stated this was discussed at length at the last board meeting. No one spoke with him since last week. Additional discussion was held on alternatives to reducing the water rate by \$1.00. Mayor Hanks stated the \$2.00 increase was intended to pay off the loan for the water treatment plant project. It was stated at the time of the increase that the increase would not be needed if loan forgiveness occurred. The water treatment plant project is complete and the loan forgiveness paid for most of the loan. The remaining \$1.00 will continue to pay off the loan. Trustee Williams-Baig stated putting money aside for other purposes has been discussed but no plan has been presented.

On roll call:

Ayes: Trustees Myers, Williams-Baig

Nays: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Tate, Washington-House

Motion failed

7. Miscellaneous Comments from the Mayor and Board of Trustees

Trustee Burgess commented on political accusations, comments regarding high litigation fees and social media.

Trustee Jones commented on social media and the need for open and transparent government.

Trustee Tate commented on FOIA's, the content of the attorney bills and on the recent candidate's forum. Trustee Tate also commented on the handling of a grant for police officer's vests and social media. Trustee Tate referred to a resident that requested an executive session and was denied.

Trustee Tate questioned CalComm representative Sue Stacey on the Emergency Identification sticker that was delayed. Sue Stacey stated the original email was sent to CalComm in August 2016. She is here to deliver the sticker tonight.

Trustee Myers commented on the scrutiny placed on grants. Trustee Myers also commented on social media. Trustee Myers suggested everyone read Section 78-19 in the Village codebook.

Trustee Williams-Baig commented on Trustee Tate's comments regarding the attorney bills, candidate's forum and FOIA's. Trustee Williams-Baig reported executive session rules state the reason for executive session must pertain to litigation, real estate and personnel. Trustee Williams-Baig commented on the social media page that uses the Sauk Village name and logo on their page.

Mayor Hanks commented the Attorney General's office should be notified if anyone has proof of wrongdoing. Mayor Hanks reiterated the executive session rules. Mayor Hanks stated the next administration will have to put together a plan and a timeline and an amount of how much the rates will have to be increased to get Lake Michigan water. The referendum that passed is no longer valid. The cost stated in the referendum is far less than what the cost would be today. The village continues to pursue Lake Michigan water. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources denied the village allocation based on the leaks, the need for Candlelight Village and Weatherstone Estates to disconnect from Sauk Village and get their own allocations and the fact that Sauk Village water is safe to drink. A lot of information is available about research done on Lake Michigan water.

The presentation from Meet the Mayor will be on the Mayor's page on the website and the Sauk Talk. Mayor Hanks stated this administration has been open and transparent- eblasts provide information, the website contains the FOIA's and their responses for everyone to see and department head reports. Infrastructure repairs- \$2 million dollars worth of improvements. Workers Compensation claims have decreased due to work conducted by the Safety Committee.

2016 safety goals have been met; working on 2017 goals. FOIA numbers were provided; most FOIA's have been filed by two individuals. Crime has been reduced largely due to bringing on a qualified police chief. Water bill payments have increased due to enforcement and liens filed. Water main breaks have decreased due to repairs to the infrastructure. A plan has been put in place to repair and replace fire hydrants.

Prior to his administration, no audits were conducted since 2009. Audits from 2009 – 2016 are complete. 2016-2017 audit is on schedule.

Work has been done on economic development. Administrator Fairman is on the last leg of a new development. Winpak and WSI have expanded in Sauk Village bringing more jobs to the community. Advance Auto came to Sauk Village. This administration has worked hard for the residents. The next administration will face many challenges. Mayor Hanks stated he will stay in Sauk Village after he retires and will continue to do what he can to move Sauk Village forward.

8. Adjournment

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

All Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Mayor David Hanks

Village Clerk Debra L. Williams

MINUTES OF THE **SPECIAL MEETING** OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, HELD IN THE SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER **MARCH 28, 2017.**

1. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

Mayor Hanks called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

On roll call:

Present: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tate and Williams-Baig

Absent: Trustee Washington-House (Entered at 6:35 pm)

2. Review 2016 Abatements for Tax Levy Year 2016

Kane, McKenna representative Mary Thompson provided clarification on the 2016 abatements for Tax Levy year 2016.

An Ordinance Abating a Tax for General Obligation Tax Increment Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2002A and 2002B, of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois

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Trustee Burgess asked if these payments will pay off the bonds. Mary provided a recap of the remaining TIF parity bonds for TIF 1 and TIF 2 and debt service; only the B bonds will be paid off within the next three years. Bond payments are levied when funds are available within the TIF. TIF 1 and TIF 2 have been extremely successful.

Trustee Tate asked for clarification on the Series 2010 bonds. The 2010 working cash bond is levied and does not qualify for a tax abatement. There is no alternate revenue source. Amalgamated Bank serves as trustee for the bonds.

Mayor Hanks stated no new bonds have been issued during this administration. These tax abatements are included in the board agenda for approval.

3. All questions and comments must be directed to the Mayor. Each speaker will be given three minutes to comment. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak on agenda items only.

None

4. Adjournment

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Burgess and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

All Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 pm.

Mayor David Hanks

Village Clerk Debra L. Williams