

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Village of Sauk Village

Board Meeting of the Mayor and Corporate Authorities

Municipal Center

21801 Torrence Avenue

Sauk Village, Illinois

Tuesday, December 13, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

1. Call To Order Mayor Derrick Burgess called the meeting of the Corporate Authorities to order at 7: 03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Derrick Burgess led the constituency in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Trustees: Bell (Remote), Burns, Coleman, Grant, and Williams
Absent: None

Staff Present: Director Finch, Chief Barrett, Chief White, Director Cooper

Others in Attendance: Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt
Atty. Samuelson, HR Consultant, Douglas, Finance Director Jones, Consultant, Eng. Arnold

2) EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION
There was no Closed Session

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Special Board Meetings on November 8, 2022

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Coleman seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, and Jasinski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: Trustee Williams

Motion Carried

b. Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Committee of the Whole Meeting on November 15, 2022

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Coleman seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Coleman, Grant, and Jasinski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: Trustees Burns, and Williams

Motion Carried

- c. Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Board Meeting on November 22, 2022

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Bell seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Coleman, Grant, and Jasinski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: Trustee Burns and Williams

Motion Carried

4) PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5) REPORTS OF OFFICERS

- a. Mayor - Derrick Burgess
- i. Exercised the authority granted under 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-45 by distributing and reading Veto Messages to the Members of the Village Board on the Ordinance and Resolution adopted by the Board on November 22, 2022, establishing legislative counsel and the employment of the law firm to serve as such.
 - ii. Affirmed the requirement to continue to wear masks
- b. Village Clerk - Marva Campbell-Pruitt
- i. Sought Volunteers for Holiday Cheer Food Basket Distributions
 - ii. Provided a Report for the Vehicle and Animal Licenses purchased between September and November
 - iii. Announced the start and end dates for petition filing and other dates for the upcoming April 4, 2023, Elections.
- c. Village Treasurer – Anthony Finch
- i. Reported the cash balances of 12/9/2022 (Unrestricted \$4,092.774 – Restricted \$386,079)
- d. Corporation Counsel – Amber Samuelson, Ancel Glink – No report
- e. Village Engineer –Melanie Arnold, Robinson Engineering –
- i. Reported on the Sauk Pointe Industrial Park TIF Improvements relative to the erection of the sign.

6) REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

- a. Police Department - Chief Malcolm White
 - i. Presented three officers to be sworn into office. The Village Clerk provided the Oath of Office.
- b. Fire Department – Chief Stephen Barrett
 - i. Reported Calls for Service 113 and two fires
 - ii. Presented a check for \$500 for Shop with a Cop
 - iii. Provided an updated on the Memorial Tree Garden, announced the number of smoke detectors distributed (72) and graduations and certifications for four staff.
- c. Finance Department – Director Dr. Viviann Jones, Consultant
 - i. Addressed the resolution for the Tax Levy and Zero Tax
 - ii. Discussed the need to transfer \$750,000 from the water/sewer fund to cover expenses through February 2023
 - iii. Efforts needed to curtail spending
 - iv. Recommendation to approve the transfer and distribution of payroll and accounts payable

Comments/Questions

- Three items on the Treasurer’s report were questions
 - Recommendation to amend the budget
 - Reports were requested of all funds borrowed or transferred
 - Reports for all items used from the LOC and ARPA funds, and when will funds would be returned
- d. Director of Operations – Director Anthony Finch
 - i. Provide departmental updates on watermain breaks, leaf pickup, light repairs on Sauk Trail, parking restrictions of snow days and a staff development improvement initiative. There should be new hires in January.
 - e. Community Development – Director Finch
 - i. Reported that seventy-three (73) properties were approved by IHDA

7) REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

- a. Public Health & Safety - Trustee Gary Bell – No report
- b. Ordinance Review - Trustee Arnold Coleman announced a meeting on 12/19
- c. Budget, Finance & Audit - Trustee Rodrick R. Grant- No Report
- d. Housing and Intergovernmental Relations - Trustee Sherry Jasinski- No Report
- e. Community Development - Trustee Debra Williams Comments
 - i. Will vote to override the Vetoes
 - ii. Ambulances to be put on hold????
 - iii. Announced the Blood Drive

8) REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

- a. Senior Advisory Committee – Chairman Emmett Farmer
 - i. Announced the next meeting on January 12, 2023, and when programs would resume
- b. Fire and Police Commission – Chairman Francine Anderson

- i. Announced three new officers sworn into duty and the Eligibility List will be exhausted for the second time
- c. Zoning Board of Appeals Commission – Chairman Charles Pondexter had no report

9) PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- a. Approve a Resolution for the 2022 Aggregate Tax Levy

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Grant seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, and Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: None

Motion Carried

- b. Approve a Resolution to Request Application of Zero Loss and Cost Factor to 2023 Tax Levies for Village of Sauk Village Cook County, Illinois

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Grant seconded

Comments

The cover page should be corrected, and the fiscal year corrected. The motion was changed to reflect the changes

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, and Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: None

Motion Carried

10) NEW BUSINESS

a. Financial Matters:

- i. Approve Transfers and Distributions in the Combined Amount of and authorize the Finance Department to Remit Payments This item was delayed to a special meeting on December 15, 2022.
- ii. Approve the Pay-out for the Settlement agreement for Alahna M. Ross v. Village of Sauk Village and S. Brown for \$25,000.

Trustee Williams moved, and Trustee Coleman seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, and Williams

NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTENTION: None
Motion Carried

b. PETITIONS, AGREEMENTS, AND ACTION ITEMS

c. ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE WITH THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

- i. Dismissal of People of State of Illinois, by Kimberly M. Fox State's Attorney of Cook County v. Village of Sauk Village, and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sauk Village

11) GENERAL COMMENTS FROM MAYOR BURGESS

Announced the Special Meeting on December 15, 2022, and that it would be the last meeting of the year.

Appealed for safety during the holidays

12) ADJOURNMENT

Having completed the business of the day, Mayor Burgess called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Coleman seconded. On roll call, the motion carried unanimously.

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Village Clerk

/s/Derrick Burgess, Mayor