

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
21801 TORRENCE AVENUE, SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
May 2, 2023, 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

On Roll Call

Present: Trustees: Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, and Williams

Absent Trustee Bell with notice

3. DISCUSSIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- **Director Antonio Cooper**

- Dir. Cooper introduced both subjects as representatives of Paragon Freight - Sasa Kostich and Nikola Pancic. Sasa Kostich presented first seeking to purchase sixty-three acres of the land in front of his existing structure. Mayor Burgess asked if there was an ordinance drafted to accompany the request. He was told that the land had been appraised in December 22. Another question arose on how the land could be appraised when there had been no discussion for selling it. It was unauthorized. Kostich should be invited back in two weeks
- Later Nikola Pancic spoke, inquiring how to get the proper license for the business he has. He asked for a map and needed paperwork.
- The inappropriateness of the contrast between the agenda item and their actions were noted.

- **Chief Stephen Barrett**

- Review Bright Star Contract, Chief Barret announced that the contract discussion needed to be tabled as the one sent to the Clerk for Trustee packets was not the final product and that it needed to go back to the attorney for finalization.
 1. A question arose on the billing process.
- Agreement between The Village of Sauk Village and Andres Medical Billing, LTD. Chief Barret advised that the agreement had previously come before the Board and the simple language change requested by the attorney had been completed. A separate account or line item was suggested for revenues derived was considered. Only the State inspection was needed. This item was recommended to proceed to the Board Meeting for a vote.

- **Director Anthony Finch** – introduced Sean Sommer(not Seth as noted on the agenda)

- B & F Construction Code Services Inc. – Sean Sommer spoke on the Chapter 14 BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS. The cost to update the Code was paid last year.
 1. An Ordinance is now needed. The discussion of the need to update the code to 2021 for new structures with providing a grace period for investors was noted.

2. Discussed was that there were no provisions for selling homes and if they needed to be up to code and how investors would be notified. The sale of a home does not trigger the requirement to be at code, but remodeling of the home would require compliance.
- Cleaning Services Contract-
 1. the contract increased by \$700.00 to include cleaning of three jail cells, five days weekly and the fitness areas in the police station. The overall contract will be rebid in October.
 2. A pro-rated cleaning schedule is needed for the Senior Center as moving tables and chairs is not a part of the contract.
 3. Clarification is needed on whose responsibility it is when a renter fails to clean appropriately.
 4. Exhibit A was not included in the documents but will be sent to the Clerk for distribution before signing off on the document.
 - Letter of Engagement with Selden Fox
 1. The attorney had a few changes to the letter that was shared with Selden Fox. Once received, the Board can determine when to move forward. There were too many loose ends to manage before signing the letter.
 - Contract for a Website
 1. A webinar is forthcoming. Trustees were asked to visit the Riverdale site for a preview of the company's product.
 - **Trustee Aretha Burns**
 - Addressed an Ordinance Amending Article IV "Officials and Employees" of Chapter 2 "Administration" of the Municipal Code, Specifically as to the Position of Human Resources Consultant. There were no final conclusions It would not be on the upcoming agenda.
 - **Trustee Debra Williams and Responders to Updates:**
 - A meeting with Interim Dir. Lewis was mentioned. Cross-training of staff is being conducted.
 - The Audit
 - The Budget the Budget to Actual Report was questioned and if there were any changes.
 - Water Billing The outstanding water bills were addressed. On-going aggressive actions are being taken.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- D. Smith inquired why the Board had not been advised of the water bills issues; he discussed the conflict of interest between the Mayor's administrator and a resident; he asked for an update on the missing money; and why the HR Consultant, who was terminated but still working in Village Hall.
 - Mayor Burgess' Response
 - The Mayor clarified that the Trustees were told of the water bill issue, but not the amount.
 - Regarding MK and SL, he can't tell someone that they can't speak to one another
 - A letter from the attorney states why the HR Consultant is still working

5. GENERAL COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES & MAYOR

- Trustees Jasinski had no comment
- Trustee Grant announced his unavailability at the next meeting and thanked Trustees Bell and Jasinski for their services.
- Trustee Williams announced the Blood Drive and the Benefit for Trustee Bell
- Trustee Burns announced a Cinco de Mayo event and the upcoming festivals
- Mayor Burgess announced the business of on-boarding new Trustees

6. EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

- **None**

7. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was moved by Trustee Jasinski and seconded by Trustee Williams at 9:5 p.m. The motion was unanimously carried.