

MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL
4900 VILLAGE COMMONS, MATTESON, ILLINOIS
ON THIS 24TH OF APRIL 2017

President Ashmore, called the Public Hearing to order at 7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The Village Clerk called the roll and the following Trustees answered present:

ROLL CALL

Sam Brown
Sheila Chalmers-Currin
Veloid Cotton, Sr.
Bridget Dancy
Paula Farr
Andre Satchell

Also present were: Brian Mitchell, Village Administrator; Village Attorney Patrick G. Connelly, from Peterson, Johnson & Murray; Anthony Burton, Director of Recreational Services; Bart Gilliam, Director of Public Works; Gordon Hardin, Superintendent of Public Works; Dwayne Shipp, Director of Finance/Budget Officer; Michael Jones, Police Chief; Ray O. Agbabiaka, Director of Community Development; Chris Schwalbe, Fire Chief; Toni Ashmore, Director of Community Affairs; Ben Wilson, Director of Economic Development; Laverne Murphy, Deputy Director of Economic Development; Kathleen Murray, Director of Human Resources; Toni Ashmore, Director of Community Affairs; Angie Simington, Deputy Village Clerk/Recording Secretary.

The following Trustee was absent:

None

OPPORTUNITY FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT

Men were invited to come to Matteson School at 21245 Main Street, to read to the students at 8:00 a.m. every Thursday.

Mr. Williams Thanked the Village Clerk and the Village President for serving the Village very well.

Ms. Robbie Craig said that the cover letter on the budget should be changed to reflect the budget surplus. She said that there were no grants listed. She said that the Budget should be sent for certification and she congratulated the candidates who were elected and those elected officials who are retiring.

NEW BUSINESS

The Village President gave a brief budget address stating that he is glad there is a currently a surplus in the budget as that there was none when he first took office.

President's Budget Address

The Finance Director/Budget Officer presented the budget.

Presentation of FY 2017/2018
Budget

Trustee Cotton said he will be voting no because he believes that the funds going to the youth summer jobs program should go towards public safety.

Trustee Satchell said he supports public safety but believes youth should have an opportunity to experience the inner works of the Village.

Trustee Dancy said that the Village now has an opportunity to start a reserve fund.

Trustee Farr said she will be voting no for the budget as she agrees with Trustee Cotton and that plans for a youth program for next year should begin now instead of planning the program within 30 days as a good youth program needs more time to plan.

Trustee Chalmers-Currin said that we've given over the years to public safety and we are still doing so but that she is in favor of also investing in the youth of the community.

Trustee Brown said that his priority is economic development.

Trustee Brown made a Motion to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Satchell.

ADJOURNMENT

AYES: (6) Brown Chalmers-Currin, Cotton, Dancy Farr,
Satchell
NAYS: (0)
ABSTAIN: (0)
ABSENT: (0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Dorothy Grisco, Village Clerk