

March 25, 2008

PRESIDENT RICHARD CHAPMAN CALLED TO ORDER THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHOREWOOD VILLAGE BOARD.

ROLL CALL

After the Invocation was given by the Village Clerk and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag the following answered to Roll Call: Trustees: Gary Fitzgerald, Dan Gron, James McDonald, Celine “Cene” Schwartz, Lea Stahr and President Richard Chapman. Also present: Administrator Kurt Carroll and Attorney Dave Silverman. Trustee Dan Anderson was absent. The number present constitutes a quorum.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

President Chapman introduced Officer Steven Ficek of the Shorewood Police Department and presented him with the golden stand alone Village logo made exclusively to show the Village’s appreciation for our troops. Officer Ficek served two tours of duty in Iraq.

Trustee Schwartz introduced Brandon Ritter as the winner of the Jelly Bean Contest His guess was the closest to the actual number of jelly beans in the jar and he won the jar of jelly beans.

CITIZENS

Al Darwan President of Buckingham Builders (Wynstone & Mound Road) addressed the Board asking for their consideration of his request (submitted in a letter) for additional signage for his subdivision. The Staff had received his request and will respond to Mr. Darwan’s concerns.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes of the regular meeting of March 11, 2008. (Typos noted & changed).
- Approval of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$451,944.91.
- Approval of payment in the amount of \$162,215.00 to Navistar Financial Corporation for the purchase of a 2008 International 7400 Truck.
- Approval of payment No. 13 in the amount of \$10,894.69 to DMJM Design for work completed on the new Village Hall.
- Approval of payment #2 in the amount of \$98,536.50 to Water Well Solutions Service Group, Inc. for work completed on Well #8 & #9 pumps.

Trustee Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Stahr. Roll Call: Yeas: Fitzgerald, Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

President Chapman reported on the Will County Governmental League's Lobby Day (March 12) that he and Village Administrator Kurt Carroll attended in Springfield. The most pertinent issue discussed was pension reform. President Chapman felt it was a fruitful trip. There is a bill drafted to request the legislature to hold anything that's requested re: pension increases and benefits until it has been determined the effect on Municipalities before any action is taken. A detailed memorandum was prepared for the Board.

*Agenda Item #7 re: rate changes was moved to Agenda Item 2A due to the impact this item would have on the consideration of the 2008/09 Operating Budget (Item # 3).*

## PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

President Chapman upon the recommendation of Trustee Fitzgerald re-appointed Jim Relyea (*has served on the Commission 9 years*), Jim Schlunz (*has served 24 years*), Pete Cerve (*has served 6 years*) and Debbie Olson (*has served 7 years*) to the Planning & Zoning Commission for 2 year terms each. Trustee Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the President's re-appointments. Seconded by Trustee Schwartz. Roll Call: Yeas: Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr, Fitzgerald. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## ENGINEERING SERVICES

Administrator Carroll presented a proposal from Burke Engineering for professional services to design a well house for Well#9. The work will include the electrical design, building design, site design, and construction coordination. The contract is for a not-to-exceed amount of \$17,900. Brian Welch of Burke Engineering was present to answer questions. After discussion, Trustee Fitzgerald made a motion to approve an engineering agreement with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. to perform professional engineering service for Well No. 9 electrical design and design construction for not to exceed \$17,900. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stahr. Roll Call: Yeas: McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr, Fitzgerald, Gron. Nays: None. Motion carried.

## WATER RATES & CHARGES ORDINANCE # 08-1471

Mr. Carroll presented a proposed amendment to water and sewer rates. The Village's cost of providing water and sewer to the residents and businesses has greatly increased over the last few years. The sanitary system has increased in size and cost to provide services. The Village of necessity is moving from a shallow well system to a combined shallow and deep well system and this change is adding to the cost of providing water to residents and businesses. A consulting firm was hired to review the costs of providing services and project what fees need to be adjusted to cover the Village's cost of operation. The Village has not raised water and sewer rates (*other than the increases by Joliet for sanitary treatment costs*) for many years. Based on the study provided by the consulting firm of Crowe Chizek the Finance Committee is recommending the increased cost of providing water and sewer by 6%. Trustee Gron noted the recommended increase is only for operating and maintaining the systems. New infrastructure costs are always

paid for by new growth. After discussion, Trustee Gron upon the recommendation of the Staff and Finance Committee made a motion to pass an ordinance (#08-1471) amending the Shorewood Code of Ordinances Title 7 Chapter 3 Water Rates and Charges and waive the second read. Seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald. Roll Call: Yeas: Schwartz, Stahr, Fitzgerald, Gron, McDonald. Nays: None. Motion carried.

### 2008/09 OPERATING BUDGET

The Board considered the proposed 2008/09 Operating Budget. *(The increase in water & sewer rates are figured into this proposed budget).* This is the second year utilizing the Program Budget format and gives the Board the ability to make educated decision in addressing the needs for a growing community. The expenditures and projected income both reflect the slow down in housing and the economy in general. The Village is in good fiscal shape due to good planning in prior years, and the proposed budget does not recommend touching the Village's General Fund reserves. After discussion, Trustee Gron made a motion to approve the 2008/09 Operating Budget for the Village of Shorewood. Seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald. Roll Call: Yeas: Stahr, Fitzgerald, Gron, McDonald, Schwartz. Nays: None. Motion carried.

### ROUTE 52 & ROUTE 59 RESOLUTION # 08R-684

The Village is installing decorative lights on Route 52 and has plans to install decorative streetlights and planters on the area being widened on Route 59, south of the DuPage bridge to the new Seil Road, Route 59, and I-55 reconfiguration. The Board considered a resolution stating that it is the Village's intention to continue the beautification plans to the entire length of Route 52 and Route 59 in the Village of Shorewood as funds allow. The funding would be from capital improvement fees, grants, special service areas or some yet-to-be-determined source. After discussion, Trustee Gron made a motion to pass a resolution (08R-684) for Beautification and Street Lighting for Route 52 & Route 59. Seconded by Trustee Stahr. Roll Call: Yeas: Fitzgerald, Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

### SHOREWOOD SOCCER

Trustee Schwartz made a motion to table consideration of a facility use agreement with Shorewood Soccer for Four Seasons Park until a future meeting. Seconded by Trustee Gron. Roll Call: Yeas: Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr, Fitzgerald. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

### MINOOKA SOFT BALL

The Board considered a Facility Use Agreement with Minooka Softball for Four Seasons Park as presented by Trustee Schwartz. The Minooka Softball agreement has expired and the proposal presented by Trustee Schwartz would extend the agreement for three years. After discussion of the details Trustee Schwartz made a motion to approve a Facility Use Agreement with Minooka Softball, which will be a three year agreement pending review of concession usage and field usage (these portions of the agreement will be reviewed annually)for Four Seasons Park.

Seconded by Trustee Stahr. Roll Call: Yeas: McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr, Fitzgerald, Gron.  
Nays: None. Motion carried.

SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY  
RESOLUTION # 08R-685

Attorney Silverman noted this resolution is the same as one passed previously re: a lot in the Bronx Shopping Center (*proposed*). It re-authorizes the advertisement in newspapers and states offers will be taken until April 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 P.M. The Board considered a resolution authorizing the sale of surplus real estate owned by the Village which is no longer necessary for any public purpose and is surplus real estate. (Approximately 6,292 sq. ft. known as the “Lot.” This resolution would authorize the Village Administrator to coordinate the sale of the Lot and to negotiate terms and conditions of the sale before presentation to the Village Board for action. Trustee Fitzgerald made a motion to approve a resolution (#08R-685) authorizing the sale of surplus real estate owned by the Village of Shorewood. Seconded by Trustee Gron. Roll Call: Yeas: Schwartz, Stahr, Fitzgerald, Gron, McDonald. Nays: None. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Carroll reported that Public Works will be starting leaf pickup the first week of April. Repairing of potholes is ongoing. Public Works web site will be updated to include more information for the residents.

Trustee Fitzgerald the next meeting of Planning & Zoning will be April 2, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Three items on the agenda as of this date are 1) a Public Hearing on a revised site plan for People’s First Bank; 2) a Public Hearing on a proposed ordinance to regulate large sea cargo containers; and 3) approval of the annual zoning map.

Trustee Stahr announced the next Citizens Advisory Committee will meet March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. They will be welcoming the new members and President Chapman will give the State of the Village address.

At the request of Trustee Schwartz, President Chapman reported on the Easter Egg Hunt. The President reported it went off “without a hitch”. There were approximately 350 kids who participated. Citi Bank sponsored the event this year and has volunteered to sponsor the event next year. Trustee Schwartz announced the winner of the Jelly Bean contest, and also announced the winners of the coloring contest by age groups. The next P&R meeting will be Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup> and at that meeting the line up of “Movies in the Park” will be announced. P&R is planning for five (5) movies this summer (*2 in June, 2 in July and 1 in August*).

President Chapman noted the Board had been given a letter by the Administrator that was sent to Joliet concerning the proposed Shopping Center and asked for any comments any member might have. He also asked the Board to consider the possibility of attending the three day Retail Sellers Convention in Las Vegas, May 18 through the 21st. He cannot attend and would like a political presence along with our Economic Development Coordinator to attend and asked anyone interested to contact him.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Schwartz made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Gron. Roll Call: Yeas: Fitzgerald, Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr. Nays: None. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Julia Russell

Village Clerk