

September 23, 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: Dan Anderson, Gary Fitzgerald, Dan Gron, James McDonald, Celine “Cene” Schwartz, Lea Stahr and President Richard Chapman. Attorney Sheri Freeman was also present. The number present constitutes a quorum.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of August 26, 2008.
- Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of September 9, 2008.
- Approval of accounts payable invoices in the amount of \$395,871.45.
- Approval of final payment in the amount of \$50,481.35 to Water Well Solutions Service Group, Inc. for work completed on Wells #8 & #9 Pumps.
- Approval of payment in the amount of \$8,480.34 to Allsteel for Police Department Furniture.
- Approval of payment in the amount of \$7,057.78 to Gunlocke for Police Department Furniture.

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

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

President Chapman gave a report from the Administrator on the recent heavy rain event. The Village fared pretty well. Roger Barrowman and the Public Works department did an excellent job of preparing the areas that had cause for concern. They supplied sand and sand bags. The Shorewood Citizens core group provided sand bagging for all who requested them. No one had to be evacuated. The river peeked at about 8’ above normal for this time of the year. The homes that were flooded in 1996 would certainly have been impacted had they survived that flood. The removal of those homes was beneficial to the homes that remained. The internal detention ponds performed as they were designed and as we had no power outage, any water damage homes might have received without power was greatly reduced. President Chapman complimented the Staff for their excellent work and also the Police Department for their quick and effective response in closing roads and routing residents through safe routes. President Chapman also thanked all the residents who helped their neighbors whose homes were in danger. Home Depot sent 10 of their employees with equipment out to help a customer.

President Chapman congratulated former President Bertha Hofer on having Troy's newest school named for her and her late husband Fred. Both have been involved with the Village and the Schools since the incorporation of the Village of Shorewood.

The Chamber of Commerce will be moving into the Village Hall in the next month or so.

President Chapman introduced Jeff Hedrick the External Affairs Manager of Com. Ed. who presented President Chapman with a donation of \$5,000.00 for the Veteran's Memorial fund on behalf of 60 employees of Com. Ed. and Exelon that live within the boundaries of Shorewood.

ADDITIONAL OFFICE HOURS

The Administrator and Staff have been working on ways to provide more and better services to the Village residents and business owners. One of the ways they are attempting to meet that goal is extending the office hours at the Village Hall. On Board meeting nights (the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month) the Village Hall will have extended office hours until 7:00 p.m. The first two evenings will be Tuesday, October 14th and 28th. For those residents who wish to drop off building permits, address water bill concerns, etc. there will be staff members available to address their concerns. *(If a Board Meeting date falls on a Holiday the office hours will not be extended)*. The Board gave its unanimous support to extending office hours as stated,

POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION

President Chapman appointed Captain Ken Kaupas to the Police & Fire Commission to fill the vacancy created with the loss of Kerry Sheridan. Captain Kaupas is the District 5 Commander of the Illinois State Police. Trustee Schwartz made a motion to ratify President Chapman's appointment. Trustee Gron seconded the motion. Roll Call: The motion carried by a unanimous "Aye" vote.

CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION SERVICES

Water and sewer lines owned by the Village along Route 59 must be moved out from under the pavement area along Route 59 due to the widening of Route 59. These improvements were designed both north and south of Route 52, however, the scope of service in this agreement only applies to the work north of Route 52. (the south portion will be brought to the Board later). After discussion, Trustee Anderson made a motion to approve the agreement with Christopher Burke Engineering (construction observation services) for \$38,724.00. Seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald. Roll Call: Yeas: Fitzgerald, Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr, Anderson. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

SAFETY BELTS

ORDINANCE # 08-1504

Shorewood Police Commander Eric Allen presented a proposed ordinance to amend the Village of Shorewood Code of Ordinances with respect to Safety Belts. The reason for the amendment is to bring our code into alignment with the Illinois vehicle code. Our code (as did the Illinois

code) said you could not stop anyone on the sole reason of suspecting a safety belt violation. In 2007 the State Legislature addressed the section of the Illinois vehicle code with respect to seat belts and changed the law to allow officers to use a seat belt violation as a primary reason for the stop. We need to amend our ordinance to be in line with the Illinois code. After discussion, Trustee Anderson made a motion to pass an ordinance (#08-1504) amending the Village of Shorewood Code of Ordinances with Respect to Safety Belts and waive the second read. Seconded by Trustee Schwartz. Roll Call: Yeas: Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr, Anderson, Fitzgerald. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

SIGNS FOR SADDLEBROOK SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE # 08-1505

Engineer Lou Haussmann had investigated the existing traffic control devices present in the Saddlebrook subdivision in order to develop a consistent traffic control plan for the neighborhood. The plan was coordinated with the Public Works and Police Departments and they concur with the recommended additions (there are stop signs at Appaloosa Lane and Saddlebrook Drive presently and they are recommending adding yield signs on all streets terminating at T intersections – all these to be added into “Motor Vehicles and Traffic in the Shorewood Code of Ordinances. Other traffic signs will be added to bring the subdivision consistent with the rest of the subdivisions. After discussion, Trustee Anderson made a motion to adopt the new signage for Saddlebrook subdivision and waive the second read. (*pass an ordinance (#08-1505) adding Title VI, Chapter 11, Section 1204 of the Code of Ordinance for the Village of Shorewood*). Trustee Schwartz seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas: Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr, Anderson, Fitzgerald. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

EARLY VOTING

The Clerk announced that Early voting at the Village Hall will begin Oct. 14th thru Oct. 30th and absentee voting Oct. 31st from 8:30 to 4:30. We cannot start before 8:30 am because that is when the Will County Clerk’s office opens.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Anderson reported the fresh water treatment plant is close to being completed.

Trustee Fitzgerald reported the next Planning and Zoning Commission will be October 1, 2008 at the Village Hall. One item on the agenda will be a Public Hearing re: fence heights.

Trustee Gron reported Linda McCluskey, the Parks & Recreation Supervisor has put together a Shorewood Riders Club. (Motorcycles) First ride will be October 4th, cost is \$10. with the proceeds going to the Joliet Area Hospice.

Trustee Stahr reported the next Citizens Advisory Committee meeting would be October 23rd (September’s meeting was cancelled). The speaker will be John Quinn presenting the new AT&T U-Verse System. The Public is invited.

Trustee Schwartz reported that approximately 120 people were in attendance at the Sept. 20th Movie in the Park showing of Goonies. This is the last movie this season. Speaking for the Board and P&R she expressed her thanks to all the sponsors, those who attended and all those who helped make the program a success. The fall fishing derby will be Saturday, September 27th. From 8 to 10 am. Ages 3 to 13. Public Safety and Community Day will be Sunday October 5th at the Fire Department (#2). Next meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee will be 7:00 pm October 20th, 2008.

Trustee McDonald brought up the subject of repairing the cracks in the roads. He suggested we need to look into a tar machine for the Village. Trustee Anderson commented he would look into it for the budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Schwartz made a motion to go into Executive Session for Land Acquisition and adjourn from that meeting with no action being taken. Seconded by Trustee Gron. Roll Call: Yeas: Anderson, Fitzgerald, Gron, McDonald, Schwartz, Stahr. Nays: None. Motion Carried. After a five minute recess the Board went into Executive Session.

Julia A. Russell
Village Clerk