



Southern View President and Board of Trustees Agenda for the Regular Monthly Meeting

Tuesday / February 22, 2022 / 6:00 p.m.

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: Mike Patsche, Village President
- 2) ROLL CALL: Greg Bourland, Trustee
Nate Briggs, Trustee
Robert Eskew, Trustee
Bill Haines, Trustee
Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee
Jack Pierce, Trustee
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mike Patsche, Village President
- 4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approve January 25, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 5) BILLS TO BE PAID: Approval of the Bills to be paid, with checks issued 2/22/2022
- 6) APPROVE TREASURERS REPORT: Approve January 2022 Treasurer's Report
- 7) CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:
- 8) NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:
 - a) Discussion and Approval of Police Promotions of Police Officers
 - b) Discussion and Approval of Purchasing a Police Vehicle from the Village of Pleasant Plains
 - c) Discussion and Approval of Renting the Southern View Municipal Hall for 2022
 - d) Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 22-02-01 An Ordinance Establishing a Fee for Solicitors Permit
 - e) Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 22-02-02 An Ordinance Pertaining to Administration of Village Meetings
 - f) Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 22-02-03 An Ordinance Classifying Equipment as Surplus
 - g) General Business Discussion
- 9) EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- 10) ADJOURNMENT: Any subject matter placed on the agenda, regardless of how the matter is stated on the agenda or where it is placed, may be acted upon by the President and Board of Trustees.

President's Comments-

Posted: February 18, 2022 12:00 p.m.



Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the
Village of Southern View Board

CALL TO ORDER: The President and the Board of Trustees held the regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at the Southern View Municipal Building, 3410 South Fifth Street, Southern View, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by President Patsche, followed by Roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: The following were present:

Greg Bourland, Trustee of Building Permits
Nate Briggs, Trustee of Economic Development
Robert Eskew, Trustee of Health & Safety
Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee of Public Relations

Also Present:
Lisa Cave, Village Treasurer & Clerk
Don Craven, Attorney

Absent:
Bill Haines, Trustee of Parks
Jack Pierce, Trustee of Public Works

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: President Patsche asked whether the Board had reviewed the January 25, 2022 Minutes and if they found need for any changes, corrections, or amendments. Trustee LaRussa stated she would like to stricken the statement that she would like the meetings to be held via zoom to allow herself and residents to attend the meetings. Trustee LaRussa would like it amended to state that she would like the meetings to be held via zoom to allow the public to view the meeting. Trustee LaRussa also asked on page 4 of the minutes, whose responsibility is it to get the ordinances to the company to be codified? President Patsche answered Lisa will send them into the American Legal but it is his responsibility to ensure things get done. President Patsche also stated it is the responsibility of each Trustee to make sure they keep a copy of each ordinance passed and put in their own book as the Village can not reprint the books every year. There are missing ordinances in the current book which is why we are having to reprint them. President Patsche stated even the zoning books are a mess and will need to be compiled correctly. President Patsche stated, the January 25, 2022 minutes stand approved as amended.

Motion to approve the January 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes as amended by:
Trustee Bourland and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, Trustee Bourland, Briggs, Eskew and LaRussa all voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS: President Patsche asked whether the board had reviewed the February 22, 2022 Bills to be Paid, and whether there were any changes, corrections, or amendments. President Patsche asked for a motion to approve the bills as presented.

Motion to Approve the Bills to be Paid for February 22, 2022 as presented by Trustee Bourland and 2nd by Trustee Briggs
Upon roll call vote, Trustee Bourland, Briggs, Eskew, and LaRussa all voted AYE ,
MOTION PASSES.

APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER REPORTS: President Patsche asked whether the Board had reviewed the January 2022 Treasurer Report and if they found need for any changes, corrections, or amendments. Trustee LaRussa asked why Lisa Cave receives two checks on the payroll. Trustee LaRussa asked what duties are for each check. President Patsche stated that Lisa Cave is the Treasurer of the Village and she is in the office. Trustee Bourland stated the lower amount check is for the Treasurer pay and the higher amount check is for the office. President Patsche said hearing none, the January 2022 Treasurer Report stand approved as submitted.

Motion to approve the January 2022 Treasurer Report as presented by:
Trustee Bourland and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE
MOTION PASSES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Chris Baughman questioned that while he was walking in the Village Park there are several low spots in the pathways that are accumulating water. Chris believes there are about 6 areas that have water over the path in some places 12 feet wide. President Patsche stated that he was thinking of that today, especially around the East Pavilion. President Patsche stated he will talk with Trustee Haines and Trustee Pierce to see what can be done. Chris stated near the soccer field Public Works had installed a drain in the past and that area was in good shape. Chris suggested that we put a drain in some other areas to help alleviate the water on the path. Chris stated he will be emailing the pictures of the problem areas that he encountered to help show the Trustees what the issues are.

Rick Allen addressed the Board on why the zoning board was not convened on the automobile sales that is located in Magnolia Lane. Rick stated he feels that the zoning of that property is commercial and that the zoning board should have met to allow that business. Trustee Bourland stated our ordinances allows for automobile sales. Trustee Eskew stated that the zoning board met in regards to the automobile sales requesting a variance for the trailer that they used for the office, not for zoning on selling the automobiles. Attorney Craven stated he will verify and get back to us. Rick also expressed concerned that the Village streets need to be painted. President Patsche stated at the last meeting we have approved the purchase of paint. Rick also asked when will the Village be repairing the potholes. President Patsche stated they will get to the potholes as time allows.

Trustee LaRussa asked if Magnolia Lane is renting space to a car lot are they renting the space from the building that the Village provided TIF money for? Trustee Bourland stated yes and that the Village receives sales tax on the car lot and he does not see a problem with that. Trustee LaRussa stated she does have a

problem with it as it was TIF money that was paid to build it. Trustee LaRussa stated other businesses could use the TIF money. Trustee Bourland stated that it is only a small amount of area that is in the TIF district and Magnolia Lane fell into that area, the only other business would be the Village Mall and they have received TIF money as well. Trustee LaRussa stated the Village Mall had asked for a small amount at one time. President Patsche stated no the Village Mall has received more funding from TIF than you realize. President Patsche stated that the TIF is running out in the next year. Treasurer Cave stated that Magnolia Lane and the Village Mall are pretty close to the same amount of TIF funding over the years. Trustee LaRussa also asked who paid for the engineering bills for Magnolia Lane when they received the funding from TIF. President Patsche stated that the fees were paid by TIF as part of the project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Attorney Craven stated the motion is citing an exemption to the Open Meetings Act, the Village Board will go into Executive Session for the promotion and salaries of the Village employees. A motion was made by Trustee Bourland to go into Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or legal counsel of the public body (5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1)); Trustee Eskew seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE; **MOTION PASSES**

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:23 pm.
The Board returned from Executive Session at 6:34 pm.

NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION: President Patsche asked Chief Wiese to present the Police Promotions of Police Officers. Chief Wiese introduced Sergeant Marsh to the Village Board. Sergeant Marsh has been with the Village a little over 5 years, he picks up a lot of the details we need done and we are promoting him to Sergeant. Chief Wiese introduced Jason Beelow and Jason Morrison who both have graduated their basic training at the part time academy. Jason Morrison will be taking the 4th Full time officer position and will be taking the transition course in March of 2022. Jason Beelow is still in his field training stage. Chief stated that both of these men are excellent. Chief wanted to congratulate both officers in graduating from police academy. Chief Wiese introduced Detective Martin Townsley to the Village Board. Detective Townsley has done an excellent job as investigating cases and recovered a lot of property. Detective Townsley will be part time but we are excited to have him in our Department. Chief Wiese asked Officer Beelow, Officer Morrison and Detective Townsley to recite the Code of Ethics and Chief Wiese sworn in the Officers and Detective Townsley. After the swearing in, President Patsche stated the pay for the Liutenant Bridges will be \$24.00 per hour, Sergant Marsh will be \$23.00 per hour and Officer Morrison will be \$20.00; Officer Beelow will remain at \$15.00 per hour until his field training is complete; retroactive back to February 6, 2022.

Motion to approve police promotions of Liutenant Bridges, Sergeant Marsh, Full time Officer Morrison, part time Officer Beelow retroactive to February 6, 2022 by Trustee Eskew and 2nd by Trustee Bourland
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE
MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Purchasing a Police Vehicle from the Village of Pleasant Plains. Chief Wiese stated he located a vehicle, a 2009 Crown Victoria that has only 43,000 miles. This vehicle will be Officer Morrison's car and it even has the right camera in the car that will work with our system, the camera alone is worth the costs of the car. Pleasant Plains is selling the car for \$5,000.00. The costs of the vehicle will come out of the Police Vehicle Fund.

Motion to approve the Purchase of the 2009 Crown Victoria for \$5,000.00 from the Village of Pleasant Plains by Trustee Bourland and 2nd by Trustee LaRussa
Upon roll call vote, ALL voted AYE;
MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval on Renting the Southern View Municipal Building. President Patsche stated the Governor is loosing things up and since the Village has purchased our own sanitizing machine now may be the time to open it back up. President Patsche stated we have been receiving numerous calls regarding renting the building.

Motion to approve renting out the Southern View Municipal Building effective March 1, 2022 by Trustee Bourland and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE
MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Ordinance 22-02-01 An Ordinance Establishing a Fee for Solicitors Permit. President Patsche stated that at this time there is no fee associated with a Solicitors permit within the Village of Southern View. The solicitors permit is still needed for anyone that is going door to door, but the fee is waived for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. Political and Religious are exempt by the First Amendment. Chief Wiese reminded residents that if the residents see something suspicious please call the Southern View Police Department.

Motion to approve Ordinance 22-02-01 An Ordinance Establishing a Fee for Solicitors Permit by Trustee Briggs and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE
MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Ordinance 22-02-02 An Ordinance Pertaining to Administration of Village Meetings. Attorney Craven stated that this Ordinance is tweaking the Ordinance by reflecting changes of a warning and a 2/3 vote by state statute. The Village's ordinance does not reflect a warning or the 2/3 vote. Attorney Craven reviewed the Village's Code and stated that the ordinance in the books does not have the warning or reflect the 2/3 vote, it just states majority. This ordinance will clean up the language and will be reflective of the state statute of a warning and a 2/3 vote. Trustee Briggs asked if the Village follows Roberts Rules of Order do we actually need this ordinance? Attorney Craven stated that the change in the Ordinance is only reflecting the warning and a 2/3 vote. Trustee Briggs would like to table the Ordinance for further research.

Motion to table Ordinance 22-02-02 An Ordinance Pertaining to Administration of Village Meetings by Trustee Briggs and 2nd by Trustee LaRussa
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE; except Trustee Bourland voted present;
President Patsche voted no
MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Ordinance 22-02-03 An Ordinance Classifying Equipment as Surplus. President Patsche stated that the Village has to deemed the refrigerator as surplus in order to dispose of it.

Motion to approve Ordinance 22-02-03 An Ordinance Classifying Equipment as Surplus by Trustee Bourland and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE
MOTION PASSES.

Trustee Bourland stated he wrote the first building permit of 2022.

Trustee LaRussa wanted to discuss Jamie's Route 66 engineering bills. Trustee LaRussa has concerns that the bills to Jamie that were charged stated Village Architect and had to do with a firewall. Trustee LaRussa stated she had asked President Patsche if the Village had an Architect and his response was no. President Patsche stated that is correct, the Village has an Engineer not an Architect. When we have a Commercial Construction Permit, the plan review must be done by an Architect firm, if we turn the permit into Kuhn & Trello and they are going to do the inspections, they can not do the Architect plan review. This could cause a conflict of interest which is why we have agreements with other firms to avoid any conflict of interest. Trustee LaRussa stated that she understood that and she had questions regarding the firewall. Trustee LaRussa stated through her research, if the area does not have a firewall then that property should not be able to be leased out. President Patsche stated that he is not aware where Trustee LaRussa is going with this but the firewall is between the tenant and the owner. Jamie should have went to the owner and requested he put the firewall up. Trustee LaRussa stated how did that building get built if there is no firewall. President Patsche stated that the building was built probably prior to the current codes. President Patsche stated that her architect missed the firewall and our engineer caught it. It is expensive to do the work, they don't work for free. Trustee LaRussa stated that the owner should not be allowed to rent that building if it does not have a firewall. Attorney Craven stated that her architect missed the firewall, and the requirements for a firewall factors in depending on the use of the property. Attorney Craven stated that if Jamie feels that she should not have been charged for the firewall she should take it up with the owner. President Patsche stated that we have no control over the fees charged, we receive only the permit fee. Trustee LaRussa stated that Jamie was billed for 38 hours, President Patsche stated no it was 28 hours; Trustee Eskew stated some of those hours could have been avoided if she had a general contractor. Trustee LaRussa asked Trustee Eskew if he was a general contractor? Trustee Eskew replied, yes he was a general contractor for over 20 years. Trustee Bourland stated that he had stopped in and talked with Jamie and that she stated to him that we over charged her \$5700. Trustee LaRussa stated that she heard Trustee Bourland went in to see Jamie. Trustee Bourland asked do you remember Magros, the one on Stevenson Drive? Tony Magro paid the City of Springfield over \$200,000 in fees to open his business. The store was Eagles before but he had to pay that amount in fees. Trustee Eskew stated the property of Jamie's was once a flower shop, Trustee Bourland stated it was also a Tae Kwon Do gym. Trustee LaRussa asked Attorney Craven again about the firewall and Attorney Craven stated that it depends on the use of the property. President Patsche stated that Attorney Craven is not an engineer or architect. Trustee LaRussa stated she understands that. President Patsche stated that when you start tearing into walls and moving things around then you have to add the firewalls in between to bring it up to today's standards of code. The building could be grandfathered until you open a wall, then you are required to follow the new code. Trustee Bourland asked why did she not have her own architect? Trustee LaRussa stated she did. President Patsche also stated she did but her architect missed the firewall.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, President Patsche asked for a motion to close the meeting at 7:22pm. Motion was made by Trustee Bourland and 2nd by Trustee LaRussa.

PREPARED BY: Lisa Cave, Clerk

DATE APPROVED: March 22, 2022