

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

Tuesday / February 27, 2024 / 6:00 p.m.

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: Mike Patsche, Village President
- 2) ROLL CALL: Nate Briggs, Trustee
Robert Eskew, Trustee
Bill Haines, Trustee
Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee
Betsy Richbark, Trustee
Mike Tavernor, Trustee
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mike Patsche, Village President
- 4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approve January 23, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Approve February 15, 2024 Special Board Meeting Minutes
- 5) BILLS TO BE PAID: Approval of the Bills to be paid, with checks issued 2/27/2024
- 6) APPROVE TREASURERS REPORT: Approve January 2024 Treasurer's Report
- 7) CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:
- 8) POLICE REPORT: Police Department Report for January 2024
- 9) OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION: a) Discussion and Approval of the IDOT Condemnation of Village Property
- 10) NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:
 - a) Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 24-02-01 An Ordinance Enacting a Code of Ordinances for the Village of Southern View Revising, Amending, Restating, Codifying and Compiling Certain existing General Ordinances of the Political Subdivision Dealing with Subjects Embraced in Such Code or Ordinances, and Declaring an Emergency
 - b) Discussion and Approval of the Purchase of a Used Police Vehicle with Insurance Funds
 - c) Discussion and Approval of Filling Vacancy of Public Works Foreman and Salary
 - d) Assignment of Duties to Trustees
 - e) General Business Discussion

President's Comments-

11) EXECUTIVE SESSION:

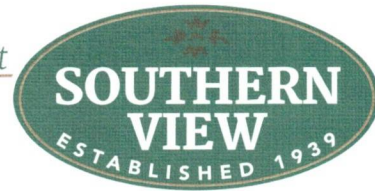
- a) **The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of a Specific Employee or Legal Counsel for the Public Body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1))**
- b) **Discussion of Minutes of Meetings Lawfully Closed Under the Open Meetings Act for Purposes of Approval by the Body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21))**
- c) **Discussion Relating to IDOT Condemnation of Village Property (5 ILCS Exemption 2(c)(6))**

Return from Executive Session--may take action on the items discussed in Executive Session

12) 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.

Posted: February 23, 2024 8:00 a.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 27, 2024, at the Southern View Municipal Building, 3410 South Fifth Street, Southern View, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Patsche, followed by Roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: The following were present:

Nate Briggs, Trustee of Economic Development
Robert Eskew, Trustee of Building Permits
Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee of Public Relations
Betsy Richbark, Trustee of Health & Safety
Mike Tavernor, Trustee of Grants, Business Development

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

Absent:
Bill Haines, Trustee of Parks

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: President Patsche asked whether the Board had reviewed the January 23, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes and if they found need for any changes, corrections, or amendments. President Patsche stated after hearing none, the January 23, 2024, minutes stand approved as presented.

Motion to approve the January 23, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by: Trustee Richbark and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche asked whether the Board had reviewed the February 15, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes and if they found need for any changes, corrections, or amendments. President Patsche stated after hearing none, the February 15, 2024, special minutes stand approved as presented.

Motion to approve the February 15, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes as amended by: Trustee Eskew and 2nd by Trustee LaRussa
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

MOTION PASSES.

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS: President Patsche asked whether the board had reviewed the February 27, 2024, Bills to be Paid, and whether there were any changes, corrections, or amendments. President Patsche stated there were quite a few additions to the bills in front of everyone. Trustee Richbark asked for clarification on the reimbursement for Dave Coles CDL. Dave turned in his resignation on February 5, and renewed his license on the 8th. Trustee Eskew asked why the plow was repaired at Arrow when the plow should have been under warranty? President Patsche stated they needed to get the plow repaired to finish plowing snow.

Motion to Approve the Bills to be Paid, minus the CDL reimbursement, for February 27, 2024, as amended by Trustee Richbark and 2nd by Trustee Tavernor
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE; except Trustee Briggs and Trustee LaRussa who voted NO

MOTION PASSES.

APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER REPORTS: President Patsche asked whether the Board had reviewed the January 2024 Treasurer Report and if they found need for any changes, corrections, or amendments. President Patsche said hearing none, the January 2024 Treasurer Report stand approved as submitted.

Motion to approve the January 2024 Treasurer Report as presented by:
Trustee Eskew and 2nd by Trustee Tavernor
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

MOTION PASSES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Brad Miller, Woodside Township and Sangamon County, addressed the Board that the Sangamon County Liquor Commission will be meeting soon regarding action on the 3 am liquor licenses. Sangamon County has 4 bars that are 3 am licenses, the Sandbar, Cove, Parkway Pub and the old Third Base. Brad stated the City of Springfield is also considering reducing their 3am licenses to 2 am licenses. There was a shooting by Charlie Parkers and 17 police responded, Leland Grove, Southern View, Sangamon County and City of Springfield. If the City and the County changes the 3 am licenses it will have a direct affect to the Village. The Curve Inn is still a 3 am license. Brad stated it will be at the April 2024 County Board meeting for a vote.

Cyndi Tavernor, President of the Neighborhood Watch addressed the Board with an update from Neighborhood Watch. On February 12, 2024, The Outlet presented to Neighborhood Watch on what they do. Tracy Day stated they assist young men with mentoring, skills, and fellowship. They are excited to be part of Southern View and there is talk of ways to get the community together in the future. SVNW next event will be on April 13, 2024, the Spring Fling that will feature a craft fair and cruise in. The event will be from 10 am to 4 pm. They have 15 vendors already and have a lot of interest. There will also be a food truck. Cyndi also stated that if the Board members have questions to please reach out to her or Trustee Eskew. Southern View Neighborhood Watch has a lot of events coming up.

Jerry Thompson addressed the Board and requested a donation for the upcoming Sunshine 66 Music Festival. Jerry stated that all the presales are all from out of the area. Jerry stated this is the Spring Event and Sunshine Daydream is a Springfield band that has a large following outside the Springfield area. Jerry is looking for a \$1,000.00 donation. Trustee Tavernor stated that the last event Jerry had the music was fantastic. President Patsche stated that he will add it to the next agenda in March for consideration.

Chris Baughman, resident, asked if this year, the Public Works could trim around the walkways, lamp posts and flower gardens. Chris stated there are many weeds and that the grass has overgrown the path by 2nd Street.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Maki addressed the Board on the department report for January of 2024. The Police Department answered 287 service calls, 2 traffic accidents, 47 traffic tickets, 38 warnings, and there are 19 vacant homes in the Village. The Police Department is investigating the storage unit thefts, and that Sangamon County has a suspect. Chief Maki stated they are equipping the three Durango's, waiting for the white explorer to be repaired. Coffee with a Cop had a slow turnout but the 2nd one had 8 people that attended. Chief Maki stated he will be having one every month to meet and speak with residents. Chief Maki has applied for a scholarship to attend Northwestern Staff and Command online, no word yet on if he was selected. Chief Maki also announced he is moving into the Village.

OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION: President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of the IDOT Condemnation of Village Property. President Patsche stated IDOT has dropped off a large map that will be available in the Village Office from 9 am to 1 pm, Monday – Friday.

NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION: President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Ordinance 24-02-01 An Ordinance Enacting a Code of Ordinances for the Village of Southern View Revising, Amending, Restating, Codifying and Compiling Certain existing General Ordinances of the Political Subdivision Dealing with Subjects Embraced in Such Code or Ordinances and Declaring an Emergency. Attorney Craven stated that this ordinance is necessary to adopt the revisions to the Ordinance Book. Trustee LaRussa asked if Ordinances were to be added that they receive a copy of the ordinance in a clear protector in their mailbox.

Motion to approve Ordinance 24-02-01 An Ordinance Enacting a Code of Ordinances for the Village of Southern View Revising, Amending, Restating, Codifying and Compiling Certain existing General Ordinances of the Political Subdivision Dealing with Subjects Embraced in Such Code or Ordinances, and Declaring an Emergency by Trustee Eskew and 2nd by Trustee Briggs
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of the Purchase of a Used Police Car using Insurance funds. Chief Maki stated that unfortunately the insurance company totaled his car and they have sent over \$21,000.00 in funding for that vehicle. Chief would like the Board to approve him to purchase a used vehicle to replace that one in the Fleet.

Motion to approve the Purchase of a Used Vehicle not to exceed \$22,000.00 by Trustee LaRussa and 2nd by Trustee Eskew
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Trustee Eskew 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 Briggs seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:55 pm.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:32 pm.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of the Filling of the Vacancy of Public Works Foreman and Salary.

Motion to approve Dante Smith as temporary Foreman of Public Works for a 6-month probationary period at \$21.50 per hour by Trustee LaRussa and 2nd by Trustee Richbark

Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

MOTION PASSES.

President Patsche addressed the Board on the Assignment of Duties to the Trustees. President Patsche stated that Trustee Eskew will continue to do Commercial Permits, Trustee Tavernor will be over Residential Permits, and Trustee Richbark will be over Business Economic Development. President Patsche stated that he would like Trustee LaRussa and Trustee Briggs to work together and take over Public Health and Safety. President Patsche stated that he would like to work together to reword the warning letter that is more sympathetic and not so demanding. The Village has 30% renters, and some are absentee landlords. Trustee LaRussa stated this is not her passion at all and that she liked her previous assignment. Trustee Briggs stated he would like to contribute but that is not his passion either, but he would contribute.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, President Patsche asked for a motion to close the meeting at 7:44 pm. The motion was made by Trustee Richbark and 2nd by Trustee Eskew.

PREPARED BY: Lisa Cave, Clerk

DATE APPROVED: March 26, 2024