

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

Tuesday / March 26, 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 February 27, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 5) BILLS TO BE PAID: Approval of the Bills to be paid, with checks issued 3/26/2024
- 6) APPROVE TREASURERS REPORT: Approve February 2024 Treasurer's Report
- 7) CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:
- 8) DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Police Department Report for February 2024  
Public Works Department Report February 2024
- 9) OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION: a) Discussion and Approval of the IDOT Condemnation of Village Property
- 10) NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:
  - a) Discussion of Drainage Plan
  - b) Discussion and Approval of Land Acquisition from IDOT
  - c) Discussion and Approval of Ordinance 24-03-01 An Ordinance Approving an Agreement for the Sale of Surplus Property
  - d) Discussion and Approval of a \$1,000 Donation for a Musical Event using Tourism Funds
  - e) Discussion and Approval of One Night Special Permits from the Curve Inn through the 2024 calendar year.
  - f) Discussion and Approval of Destroying old Toughbook Computers and donating 4 Toughbook's to Sangamon County for Testing
  - g) Discussion and Approval of Purchasing Mulch for Playground at the Village Park
  - h) Discussion and Approval of Purchasing an Additional Lawn Mower for Public Works

- i) Discussion and Approval of Ditch Work on South Side of the Public Works Building
- j) Discussion and Approval of Purchasing Garbage Containers for Various Locations around the Park
- k) Discussion and Approval of Purchase of a Computer and Printer for Public Works
- l) Discussion of Revision of Animal Ordinance
- m) Discussion of Trustee Attendance and Pay
- n) Discussion and Approval of Public Works Hourly Rate
- o) General Business Discussion

**President's Comments-**

**11) EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

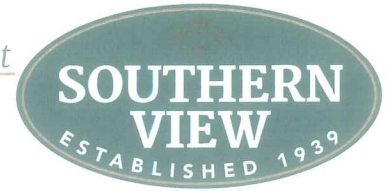
- a) The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of a Specific Employee or Legal Counsel for the Public Body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1))
- b) Discussion of Minutes of Meetings Lawfully Closed Under the Open Meetings Act for Purposes of Approval by the Body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21))
- 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: March 22, 2024 8:00 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, March 26, 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  
Robert Eskew, Trustee of Residential & Commercial Building Permits  
Rebecca LaRussa, Trustee  
Betsy Richbark, Trustee of Health & Safety  
Mike Tavernor, Trustee of Grants, Business Development

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

Absent:  
Bill Haines, Trustee of Parks

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**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** President Patsche asked whether the Board had reviewed the February 27, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes and if they found need for any changes, corrections, or amendments. President Patsche stated after hearing none, the February 27, 2024, minutes stand approved as presented.

Motion to approve the February 27, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by: Trustee Eskew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Tavernor  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

**APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS:** President Patsche asked whether the board had reviewed the March 26, 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.

Motion to Approve the Bills to be Paid, for March 26, 2024, as presented by Trustee Eskew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Tavernor  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

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

Motion to approve the February 2024 Treasurer Report as presented by:  
Trustee Richbark and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Tavernor  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Cyndi Tavernor addressed the Board with an update from Neighborhood Watch. April 13<sup>th</sup> event they have 40 vendors signed up with food trucks, bounce house, the Neighborhood Watch will be selling food, 2 bands and an influx of cars signed up for the cruise. Cyndi stated the cars will be parked in the soccer field.

Tim Fuhrmann has no questions but is interested in the drainage plan. President Patsche stated that will be tabled tonight to get further information to be presented.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Chief Maki addressed the Board on the department report for February of 2024. The Police Department answered 201 service calls, 5 traffic accidents, 52 traffic tickets, 66 warnings, and there are 19 vacant homes in the Village. The entire Police Department has completed all the State Mandated Training for 2024, January was Stop the Bleed Training and February was Report Writing/WatchGuard Attachment Training. Chief Maki stated they are still working on equipping the three Durango's. Coffee with a Cop had 6 attendees with great conversations. Chief Maki has not received notice of the scholarship to attend Northwestern Staff and Command online. April 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am is the next Coffee with a Cop. Trustee Richbark asked about campers on resident property. Attorney Don Craven will investigate that and report back to Trustee Richbark. Chief Maki stated that there is a wooden fence next to the chain link fence over by 10 Federal. The fence is falling, and it appears 10 Federal inherited the problem. The fence has been there at least 20 years. The Chief will reach out to 10 Federal again and inform them what the Board discussed tonight.

**NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION:** President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Destroying old Toughbook Computers that are model 6 and donating 4 Toughbook's to Sangamon County model 31 for testing. Chief Maki stated that there are several Toughbook's that are obsolete and then there are 4 model 31 that Sangamon County could use for testing, and he would like to donate those to Sangamon County and destroy the others.

Motion to approve the destruction of model 6 Toughbook's and donating Model 31 Toughbook's to Sangamon County by Trustee LaRussa and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Eskew  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

Cyndi Tavernor announced that the Neighborhood Watch had Dinner with the Police Department in March and it was attended by 25 people. Many of the officers were present and it was great to get the residents together to meet the officers of the Village.

Dante Smith of Public Works gave an update regarding Public Works. Public Works has cleaned up the lot and has listed the equipment for surplus. Dante asked if the Trustees had any things they would like to be done, please fill out a work order and they will put it on their list. April 1<sup>st</sup> will begin limb pickup and in preparation it was discovered that the chipper truck has a leak near the fuel tank. Dante stated it looked like the metal band that holds the tank has punctured the fuel tank. Trustee LaRussa asked didn't we just purchase that vehicle? Is there any warranty on that? Dante stated that there was no leak when we got the truck as it has been used several times since December. Trustee LaRussa asked who inspected the truck when it was purchased? Trustee Tavernor and Trustee Eskew stated they inspected the truck. Trustee LaRussa stated she would like more due diligence when purchasing items such as this. President Patsche stated they have an estimate to be repaired and he wanted to get a consensus to repair the truck.

**OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION:** President Patsche stated that IDOT reached out and apologized that they have neglected to send the documents for the IDOT Condemnation of Village Property. President Patsche stated IDOT is working on them and will have them to the Village soon. President Patsche plans to have a separate meeting to discuss it further once IDOT has sent over their proposal.

**NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION CONTINUED:** President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Ordinance 24-03-01 An Ordinance Approving an Agreement for the Sale of Surplus Property. President Patsche stated that the 2 vehicles from the Police Department has been added to the list to dispose of, the 2007 Chevy Impala and the 2014 Caprice.

Motion to approve Ordinance 24-03-01 An Ordinance an Ordinance Approving an Agreement for the Sale of Surplus Property by Trustee Eskew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee LaRussa

Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

**MOTION PASSES.**

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of a \$1,000.00 donation for a Musical Event using Tourism Funds at the Route 66 Hotel.

Motion to approve a \$1,000.00 donation to Musical Mischief using Tourism Funds by Trustee Eskew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Tavernor

Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE; except Trustee LaRussa abstained

**MOTION PASSES.**

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Special Event Permits at the Curve Inn for the Year 2024. The events are a May 24<sup>th</sup> from 6-10 Bike Night, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 6-10 Bike Night and December 31<sup>st</sup> New Years Eve Party from 8:30 – 12:30 am.

Motion to approve Special Event Permits at the Curve Inn for the Year 2024. The events are a May 24<sup>th</sup> from 6-10 Bike Night, August 23<sup>rd</sup> 6-10 Bike Night and December 31<sup>st</sup> New Years Eve Party from 8:30 – 12:30 am by Trustee LaRussa and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Eskew

Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

**MOTION PASSES.**

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Purchasing Mulch for the Playgrounds at the Village Park. Trustee Tavernor had looked at different mulch and was not happy with the double mulch option. Trustee Tavernor brought in various samples for the Board. Trustee Tavernor would like to investigate it more and proposed purchasing 14 cubic yards.

Motion to approve Purchasing Mulch for the Playgrounds not to exceed \$1,000.00 by Trustee Tavernor and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Eskew  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Purchasing an Additional Lawn Mower for Public Works. Trustee Briggs stated the Toro mower is older and needs work and he went to Illinois Power and they have a stand up mower that can mow 4 acres in an hour, 3 year warranty and can be purchased for \$5,800.00.

Motion to approve the Purchase of a mower not to exceed \$6,000.00 by Trustee Briggs and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee LaRussa  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE; except Trustee Eskew, Richbark and Tavernor voted NO  
**MOTION FAILS.**

President Patsche asked to table the Ditch Work on South Side of the Public Works Building.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of Purchasing Garbage Containers for Various Locations around the Park. Trustee Eskew stated many of the containers are rusted and need replaced. Trustee Eskew can get barrels for \$15.00 each.

Motion to approve Purchasing Garbage Containers for the Park not to exceed \$150.00 by Trustee Eskew and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Tavernor  
Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;  
**MOTION PASSES.**

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of the Purchase of a computer and printer for Public Works. Trustee LaRussa would like Public Works to have a scanner in their area.

Motion to approve Purchasing a Computer and Printer by Trustee LaRussa and after a long pause 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Briggs  
Upon discussion, it was moved to table this for a future meeting.

President Patsche asked for discussion of the Revision of the Animal Ordinance. Attorney Craven stated that the present ordinance only lists dogs and no other animals. Attorney Craven asked the Board to read the ordinance and think about the items that will need to be revised in the future.

President Patsche asked for discussion of the Trustee Attendance and Pay. Attorney Craven stated he has received many questions on how to change the ordinance. Trustee Richbark asked if there are non-working trustees maybe they should not get the full amount, or if they are not present after so many meetings, they would forfeit their salary. Attorney Craven stated there are various ways to go about it, but all Trustees would receive the same pay whether they were working or not, but you could tie it to the meetings.

**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 7:10 pm.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:20 pm.

President Patsche asked for discussion and approval of the Public Works Hourly Rate.

Motion to approve Kyle Heriford to \$21.00 per hour and Dominick Rice to \$20.00 per hour retroactive to February 28, 2024, by Trustee LaRussa and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Briggs

Upon roll call vote, all voted AYE;

**MOTION PASSES.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, President Patsche asked for a motion to close the meeting at 7:44 pm. Motion was made by Trustee Tavernor and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Eskew.

**PREPARED BY:** Lisa Cave, Clerk

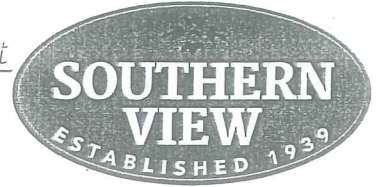
**DATE APPROVED:** April 23, 2024



# Village of Southern View

Mike Patsche, *President*

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## CITIZEN REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Meeting Date: 03-26-24

(PLEASE PRINT)

Name:

Address:

Phone:

1) Cyndi Laverner

2) Tim Fuhrmann

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