

17 October 2011 Swansea Board of Trustees Minutes

President Rauckman called the Village of Swansea Regular Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 7:46 p.m. at the Swansea Government Center, 1400 Illinois Street, Swansea, Illinois. Clerk O'Neill led the Pledge to the Flag & called roll – Trustee Freed, O'Malley, Saak, Sutterfield & Wells answered. **Others present:** Chief Mike Arnold and Deputy Chief Craig Coughlin of the Police Department, Fire Chief John McGuire, Treasurer Mike Leopold, Planning & Zoning Chair Rob Anderson, John Budde of the Street Dept, Administrator John Openlander, Missy Roth of Building & Zoning, Rick Tucker of the Sewer Department, Village Clerk Lauren O'Neill, John Rauckman with his business partner representing the Plants-N-More business, Gene Kish, Belleville News Democrat Reporter Jacqueline Lee, Rocky McDonald, Ken Mueller, Doris Rebenstorff. **Absent:** Trustee Thacker.

Motion to add an announcement proclamation item to the agenda by Rauckman second by Wells. **Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' voice votes** - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Clerk O'Neill presented the Consent Items for approval including – **Meeting Minutes:** 3 October 2011 **Board of Trustees**, 8 October 2011 **Park Board Meeting**, 11 October 2011 **Planning & Zoning Meeting**; **Executive Session Committee meetings** of 19 September 2011 **Environmental**, 6 September 2011 **Roads-Buildings-Grounds**, 6 September 2011 **Environmental**, 15 August 2011 **Environmental**, 1 August 2011 **Parks**, 3 October 2011 **Committee Reports** of Parks, Finance, Judiciary, Business-Land-Development, Environmental, Communications, **Reports of Department Heads, Inspections, & Applications for Permits.** **Motion to review in total the Consent Items** by O'Malley second by Wells. **Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' voice votes** - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Motion to accept the Consent Items by O'Malley second by Wells. **Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' voice votes** - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Treasurer Leopold read the Treasurer's Report fund balances as of 13 October 2011. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report by Saak second by Wells. **Clerk O'Neill requested the Trustees' voice votes** - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Clerk O'Neill called for Correspondence and reviewed: (1) **The 5 October 2011 thank you letter to the Board of Trustees from Petersen Health Care Corporate Counsel Jason Crowder for the Swansea Care Center Payment Plan with 50% payments on utility bills owed by Swansea Rehabilitation & Health Care Center through the end of the year and the balance upon receipt of State Medicaid Payments expected at the end of January 2012.** (2) **The 4 October 2011 International City Management Association (ICMA) Recognition Letter to Mr. Openlander recognizing the Village Administrator position as one of overall professional management under the General Management (GM) criteria, and the Village of Swansea now being listed as a GM-Recognized local government by ICMA.** (3) **A 3 October 2011 thank you note from Jan Allen for the Swansea Firefighters' response to the house fire on Pinedale on 25 August 2011.** **Motion to place the correspondence on file** by Wells second by O'Malley. Rauckman noted that review of the Village's ordinances and other organization resulted in the ICMA GM Recognition for Swansea and the Board reviewed their previous vote allowing for the payment plan for the Swansea Rehabilitation & Health Center. **Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' voice votes** - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Motion to approve the 29 September through 13 October 2011 Bills with report amount of **\$750,543.33** [List of Bills of \$750,543.33 + Pre-Paid Bills \$0.00] and have the funds drawn from proper accounts by Wells second by O'Malley. Rauckman, O'Malley, Openlander reviewed that travel expenses associated with the Illinois Municipal League (IML) training in Chicago were to be handled as they were last year with the attendee being responsible for transportation to and from the Chicago training and other costs being supported by the Village. The budget related to training expenses was also reviewed. Wells suggested revising the instructions for future attendance so that the Village supported attendees' conference registration fees only. Freed suggested a stipend of about \$300 might be appropriate. **Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' roll call votes** - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Clerk O'Neill noted no Old Business or items removed from the Consent Agenda; reviewed New Business Agenda items, and provided Ordinance and Resolution numbers.

Clerk O'Neill requested the Trustees address the Planning & Zoning Board (P&ZB) Finding of Facts (Plants-N-More 1201 N. Illinois St.). Motion by Wells second by O'Malley to accept the P&ZB Findings of Facts / Recommendation – Planned Business Zoning District Site Plan, Project Narrative and Impact Statement Review and Exterior Design Review of 1201 N. Illinois Street – Reuse of former A&W drive-in restaurant as a retail nursery; with tabling of the application until the next meeting. Clerk O'Neill requested the Trustees' votes on roll call - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Motion to read Resolution 1-1773 (Plants-N-More) by title only by Wells second by Saak. Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' voice votes - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye). Clerk O'Neill read Resolution 1-1773, a resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Swansea approving, with conditions, the Site Plan, Narrative and Impact Statement of the Proposed Plants-N-More Retail Nursery located at 1201 North Illinois Street. Motion to adopt Resolution 1-1773 & declare it passed by Wells second by Saak. Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' roll call votes - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Motion to read Resolution 1-1774 (Bike-Walking Trail Planning Grant) by title only by Wells second by Saak. Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' voice votes - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye). Clerk O'Neill read Resolution 1-1774, a resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Swansea authorizing the President of the Board of Trustees to execute a contract with Southwestern Illinois Resource Conservation and Development for a Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Study. Motion to adopt Resolution 1-1774 & declare it passed by Wells second by O'Malley. Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' roll call votes - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Clerk O'Neill called for Announcements and Rauckman reviewed the Proclamation naming 19 November 2011 as Sharon E. Lockett Day in the Village of Swansea to recognize Sharon, a resident of Swansea and educator for 36 years who has received numerous awards for excellence in teaching, including, but not limited to, Top 10 Teacher of Basic Skills in Education; Kindergarten Teacher of the Year; Service Award for Excellence in Teaching, Apple for the Teacher awards. Motion to accept the proclamation by Wells second by O'Malley. Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' roll call votes - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Rauckman requested approval of a Proclamation recognizing Ryan Schenewerk as Swansea Police Chief for the Day of 19 October 2011 and noted that Ryan's day as Police Chief will begin at 8:30 a.m. and include transportation to and tour of the Government Center and Fire and Police Departments, a demonstration of police car and equipment, and lunch with Chief Arnold. Rauckman noted that Ryan's parents are invited to attend the activities. Motion to accept the proclamation by Wells second by Sutterfield. Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' roll call votes - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye).

Motion to adjourn by O'Malley second by Sutterfield. Clerk O'Neill requested Trustees' roll call votes - Freed (aye), O'Malley (aye), Saak (aye), Sutterfield (aye), Thacker (absent), Wells (aye). Adjourned 7:22 p.m.

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