

## MEETING OF JULY 15, 2009

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Village of Elwood, was called to order at 7:00 PM, July 15, 2009 by President Offerman. Trustees Matichak and Wagner were absent.

Also present: Ed Graham, Nick Narducci

Meeting opened with Pledge to the Flag.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joy O'Keefe, 140 Bush Drive – talked to you about the lines by the railroad, the citizens need to talk to someone.

President Offerman – have contacted the railroad.

Joy O'Keefe – make sure our comments are addressed.

Floyd Garrett, 801 Wyndstone – there is not a sign at the front of the building designating the Police Station.

President Offerman introduced Jamie Mack as the newly hired Park and Coordinator. She will be working from 8:30 to 12:30 daily.

### PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

The following minutes were presented, Workshop – June 10, 2009 and Regular Meeting – June 17, 2009.

Motion was made by Trustee Bernhard to approve Workshop Minutes of June 10, 2009 as presented. Motion seconded by Trustee Jones. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Kucera to approve Regular Minutes of June 17, 2009 as presented. Motion seconded by Trustee Ruban. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

#### PRESENTATION OF BILLS

Bills for the previous month were presented.

Motion was made by Trustee Kucera to approve bills as presented. Motion seconded by Trustee Jones. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC HEARING – BUDGET

Motion was made by Trustee Bernhard to open the Public Hearing. Motion seconded by Trustee Jones. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

The minutes of the Public Hearing were taken by LeAnn Hibler of LMH Certified Reporting. Minutes are attached.

Motion by Trustee Ruban for an addendum to the budget to include a salary increase for Tim Paris of the Police Department, increase of \$5,000.00 and would bring his salary to \$30,000.00 a year. Motion seconded by Trustee Kucera. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes, Village President Offerman – yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Jones to close the Public Hearing. Motion seconded by Trustee Kucera. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010 FOR THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Motion was made by Trustee Kucera to approve An Ordinance Establishing Annual Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 for the Village of Elwood, Will County, Illinois with addendum. Motion seconded by Trustee Bernhard. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes, Village President Offerman – yes. Motion carried.  
Ordinance 949

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF A CERTAIN SEGMENT OF AN UNIMPROVED ALLEY LOCATED EAST OF JACKSON STREET AND WEST OF CHICAGO STREET, NORTH OF PARKS STREET AND SOUTH OF NORTH STREET, WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD

Village President Offerman – received comments, property owners concern about additional taxes. Recommend we take off the agenda.

Motion was made by Trustee Jones to take off the Agenda An Ordinance Authorizing the Vacation of a Certain Segment of an Unimproved Alley located East of Jackson Street and West of Chicago Street, North of Parks Street and South of North Street, Within the Village of Elwood. Motion seconded by Trustee Ruban. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF AUDIT

Nick Narducci explained the audit. Contract with Lauterbach and Amen is up this year.

Jamie Wilkey from Lauterbach and Amen reviewed the audit and highlighted some of the items. The Auditors Opinion is the highest opinion you can receive.

### AUTHORIZED DEPOSITOR – FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MANHATTAN

Nick Narducci explained the need for the collateral agreement.

Motion was made by Trustee Jones to approve the Authorized Depositor – First National Bank of Manhattan. Motion seconded by Trustee Ruban. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried. Resolution 2009-2010-02

### VOLUNTARY LIFE & AD&D BENEFITS – ADDITIONAL INSURANCE

Village President Offerman explained this is a voluntary insurance at the expense of the employee.

Motion was made by Trustee Ruban to approve the Voluntary Life & AD&D Benefit as presented. Motion seconded by Trustee Kucera. All voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

### 2009 MFT STREET IMPROVEMENTS – AWARDING OF CONTRACT

Dennis Dabros representing Baxter Woodman explained the Options 1 and 2. Bid opening was held July 7, 2009. The lowest bid was D Construction of Coal City in the amount of \$347,430.00 for Option 1 and 2.

Trustee Kucera asked how long will the project take.

Dennis Dabros, the project will be let in August and should take thirty-five days to complete. Need to approve the Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code.

Will be some additional funds from Mississippi Street, would like to see the entire project done.

Motion was made by Trustee Ruban to approve the Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code in the amount of \$347,430.00. Motion seconded by Trustee Kucera. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

#### 2009-2010 MFT MAINTENANCE PROGRAM – Salt Program

Dennis Dabros explained the resolution for salt for the roads for the coming year.

Motion was made by Trustee Kucera to approve the Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code in the amount of \$36,000.00. Motion seconded by Trustee Jones. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

#### FINAL PAY ESTIMATE – MISSISSIPPI AVE SECTION C – D CONSTRUCTION

Request for Approval of Change in Plans (Final Change Order) and Engineer's Pay Estimate, the final cost for the construction was \$1,910,117.14. Documents needs to be signed and sent to IDOT for final approval.

Motion was made by Trustee Ruban to approve the Request for Approval of Change in Plans (Final Change Order) and Engineer's Pay Estimate for D Construction. Motion seconded by Trustee Jones. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

None

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Finance – Nick Narducci – no report

Police – Chief Albert – no report

Public Works – Scott Haywood

Sidewalk replacement program for Wooded Cove completed.

NICOR is working in various areas of town doing maintenance restoration.

Douglas Street stimulus money, federal highway, will grind, overlay and storm water work. Ahead of schedule, in IDOT, will receive final in September and will let the project in 2010. The stimulus grant is for \$110,000.00.

## BOARD REPORTS

Community Events - Trustee Bernhard – nothing report

Finance Committee – Trustee Kucera - nothing report

Park and Recreation – President Offerman appointed Trustee Wagner to the Park and Recreation Committee

Public Works – Trustee Jones – nothing to report

## EXECUTIVE SESSION – Litigation

Motion was made by Trustee Ruban to go into Executive Session to discuss Litigation. Motion seconded by Trustee Jones. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Jones to go back in Open Session. Motion seconded by Trustee Kucera. A voice vote was called: Trustee Bernhard – yes, Trustee Jones – yes, Trustee Kucera – yes, Trustee Ruban – yes. Motion carried.

## ACTION ON ISSUES RAISED THROUGH EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action to be taken

Motion was made by Trustee Ruban to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Bernhard. All voted in favor of motion. Motion carried.

Pat Buchenau  
Village Clerk

1 STATE OF ILLINOIS )

2 COUNTY OF W I L L )

3 BEFORE THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

4 ELWOOD, ILLINOIS

5 IN RE: )

6 PUBLIC HEARING: BUDGET )

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8 REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS had in the above-entitled  
9 matter, at the Elwood Village Hall, 401 E. Mississippi  
10 Avenue, Elwood, Illinois, on the 15th day of July, 2009,  
11 at 7:00 p.m.

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VILLAGE TRUSTEES PRESENT:

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MR. WILLIAM OFFERMAN - MAYOR

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MR. CHUCK BERNHARD

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MR. FRANCIS (BUD) JONES

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MR. JASON KUCERA

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MR. GEORGE RUBAN

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PRESENT: MR. EDWARD P. GRAHAM

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Law Offices of Edward P. Graham

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Naperville, Illinois

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appeared on behalf of the village

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STAFF PRESENT: Ms. Patricia Buchenau - Clerk

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Mr. Nick Narducci - Finance Director

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1           MAYOR OFFERMAN: Let's bring to order the village  
2 of Elwood Board of Trustees meeting for Wednesday,  
3 July 15th, 2009.

4                           roll call?

5           MS. BUCHENAU: Everybody is here, but Mary and  
6 Bob.

7           MAYOR OFFERMAN: Okay. Pledge to the flag.  
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9 Allegiance.")

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11           MAYOR OFFERMAN All right. Public hearing  
12 concerning the budget.

13           MS. BUCHENAU: I need a motion to open the public  
14 hearing.

15           TRUSTEE BERNHARD: I make that motion to open the  
16 public hearing.

17           TRUSTEE JONES: I'll second it.

18           MS. BUCHENAU: Chuck?

19           TRUSTEE BERNHARD: Yes.

20           MS. BUCHENAU: Bud?

21           TRUSTEE JONES: Yes.

22           MS. BUCHENAU: Jason?

23           TRUSTEE KUCERA: Yes.

24           MS. BUCHENAU: George?

1 TRUSTEE RUBAN: Yes.

2 MS. BUCHENAU: Motion carried.

3 I have the certification that notice  
4 was published in the paper.

5 MR. NARDUCCI: Yeah, we're required to have a  
6 public hearing to adopt our appropriation. As Pat has  
7 said, we met all our legal requirements for posting and  
8 format. We held two formal board -- or board work  
9 sessions to discuss all the applications in the budget.  
10 And we're here to take public comment. So we'd like to  
11 open it up for any public comment.

12 MAYOR OFFERMAN: One more time, any public  
13 comment on the budget?

14 All right. No comments offered.

15 MR. NARDUCCI: The only item we wanted to bring  
16 up, Ed told me it was appropriate to bring up the one  
17 change we wanted to make in the budget.

18 TRUSTEE RUBAN: Yes, I would like to make a  
19 motion to put an addendum to the budget, raise for Tim  
20 Paris of the police department.

21 TRUSTEE KUCERA: Second that.

22 MAYOR OFFERMAN: What would that be? The raise?

23 TRUSTEE RUBAN: \$5,000.

24 MAYOR OFFERMAN: Okay.

1 MR. NARDUCCI: To bring it up to 30,000.

2 TRUSTEE RUBAN: Yes, to bring it up to 30,000.

3 But in round numbers bring it up to 30.

4 MAYOR OFFERMAN We have a motion and a second.

5 Roll call?

6 MS. BUCHENAU: Chuck?

7 TRUSTEE BERNHARD: Yes.

8 MS. BUCHENAU: Bud?

9 TRUSTEE JONES: Yes.

10 MS. BUCHENAU: Jason?

11 TRUSTEE KUCERA: Yes.

12 MS. BUCHENAU: George?

13 TRUSTEE RUBAN: Yes.

14 MS. BUCHENAU: And, Mr. Offerman? I need your  
15 vote.

16 MAYOR OFFERMAN: Yes.

17 MS. BUCHENAU: Motion carried.

18 MAYOR OFFERMAN: Okay. We need a motion to close  
19 the public hearing.

20 TRUSTEE JONES: I'll make that motion.

21 TRUSTEE KUCERA: I'll second it.

22 MAYOR OFFERMAN: Roll call?

23 MS. BUCHENAU: Chuck?

24 TRUSTEE BERNHARD: Yes.

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TRUSTEE JONES: Yes.  
MS. BUCHENAU: Jason?  
TRUSTEE KUCERA: Yes.  
MS. BUCHENAU: George?  
TRUSTEE RUBAN: Yes.  
MS. BUCHENAU: Motion carried.

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I, LeANN M. HIBLER, a Certified Shorthand Reporter of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that I reported in shorthand the proceedings had at the meeting aforesaid, and that the foregoing is a true, complete, and correct transcript of the proceedings of said meeting as appears from my stenographic notes so taken and transcribed by me.



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LeANN M. HIBLER, CSR, RMR, CRR

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