

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 20, 2012**

Village President Joe Cook called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Boy Scout Zack Kijowski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken with Trustees Militello, Nash, Papesh, McMillin, Slocum, and Greco present.

Also present were Village Administrator Joe Pena, Director of Finance Robert Guess, Village Attorney Dave Silverman, Police Chief Jeff Wold, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Director of Community Development Mike McMahon, and Village Clerk Missey Schumacher.

**CITIZENS/SPECIAL REQUESTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Jerry Lizalek, 25006 W. Sioux Drive, Channahon**

Mr. Lizalek was not present at the meeting.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Trustee Papesh made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Militello, Nash, Papesh, McMillin, Slocum and Greco**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Items approved at this time are as follows:

- A.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Committee – February 6, 2012
- B.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Board – February 6, 2012
- C.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Executive Session – February 6, 2012
- D.** Bills List – February 20, 2012

**REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

**A. VILLAGE PRESIDENT**

**Appointment to the Police and Fire Commission Board**

A motion was made by Trustee Nash to appoint Dan Hoppe to the Police and Fire Commission. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Nash, Papesh, McMillin, Slocum, Greco and Militello**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**National Athletic Training Month in March**

President Cook presented a Proclamation proclaiming March to be Athletic Training Month in the Village of Channahon. Mr. Bob Flynn, head athletic trainer of MCHS was present to receive the Proclamation. Mr. Flynn stated that March 18, 2012 would be an open house at South Campus to showcase the athletic trainer program.

President Cook thanked Tina Lentz for organizing and everyone who participated in the benefit for Aubrey Brooks.

**B. ADMINISTRATION**

**Telecommunications Tax**

Pena stated that he and Guess met with each of the trustees regarding the budget and he recommends leaving the telecommunications tax at 5%.

Trustee Nash stated that information should have been forthcoming on the impact of reducing the telecommunications tax for 2 ½%. She stated that she would propose such a reduction and believes that budget can still be balanced with additional lay-offs. She also questioned how many VOC phones would be subject to this tax.

Trustee Papesh recommended that the 5% telecommunications tax be left in place for a full year before changes are considered and believes the electric aggregation program will offset this tax to some extent.

Pena added that with current “unknowns” the issue becomes whether we can continue to balance the budget. He recommended that all options be considered during the budget process.

Trustee Nash made a motion to draft an ordinance reducing the telecommunications tax to 2 ½%. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Militello and Nash**

**NAYS: Papesh, McMillin, Slocum, Greco.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **NIMEC**

Trustee Greco made a motion to authorize President Cook to sign an agreement for the electricity rate for one year with NIMEC. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

**ROLL CALL AYES: McMillin, Slocum, Greco, Militello, Nash and Papesh**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Pena presented his monthly report for January 2012.

#### **C. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

##### **Yudzentis Subdivision Final Plat**

Trustee Slocum made a motion to approve the Yudzentis Subdivision Final Plat. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Slocum, Greco, Militello, Nash, Papesh and McMillin**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

McMahon presented his monthly report for January/February 2012.

McMahon also stated that the CEDC would be meeting Wednesday, February 22, 2012.

Trustee Papesh asked McMahon to look into revising ordinances regarding combining of lots so that it would no longer be necessary to create a 2 lot subdivision, making it easier for the homeowner.

#### **D. FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

##### **IEPA Utility Loan Refinancing**

Trustee Papesh made a motion to consolidate four IEPA loans into one bond issue and pay off the remaining interest bearing IEPA loan. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Militello, Nash, Papesh, McMillin and Slocum**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Guess presented his monthly reports for January 2012.

#### **E. POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Wold presented his monthly reports for January 2012, noting a new format.

#### **F. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

##### **Deer Ridge Subdivision: Acceptance of Public Improvements, Waive Maintenance Guarantee Requirement and Release of Improvement Completion Guarantee**

Trustee Greco made a motion to accept public improvements, waive the 2 year Maintenance Guarantee requirement and release the current Completion Guarantee Letters of Credit in the amount of \$60,000.00. Seconded by Trustee Papesh.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Militello, Nash, Papesh, McMillin, Slocum and Greco**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Dolezal presented his monthly report for January 2012.

**G. VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

No report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Trustee Sam Greco** – Finance: no report

**Trustee Scott McMillin** – Public Works: no report

**Trustee Debbie Militello** – Human Resources: no report

**Trustee Judie Nash** – Public Safety: no report

**Trustee Jerry Papesh** – Community and Legislative Affairs: Trustee Papesh reminded everyone that April 24, 2012 is WCGL lobby day in Springfield.

**Trustee Scott Slocum** – Land Use: no report

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

Bob Becker, speaking on behalf of Walgreens corporate office requested that the Walgreens liquor license be expanded to include spirits.

President Cook stated that originally, Walgreens insisted that they did not want to be a liquor store and only wanted to sell beer and wine. Cook is not wholly supportive of this request. He added that there is a full service liquor store across the street.

McMahon stated that Walgreens has a non-compete agreement with the shopping center. He suggested that if the Board considers this expanded liquor license, Walgreens also be required to vacate their non-compete agreement.

Becker stated that he would take the information back to the corporate office.

Resident Karen Smith again asked for a reduction in the business license fee.

President Cook suggested VOC look at neighboring municipalities licensing fees.

Pena stated that he will research the licensing fees and return a recommendation to the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Slocum made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

**VERBAL ROLL CALL: ALL AYES**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Submitted by  
Janet Schumacher  
Village Clerk