

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD
BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2012**

Village President Joe Cook called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

President Cook led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Public Hearing

Bluestone Retail Partners LLC/Hammel Property – Annexation Agreement

Trustee Slocum made a motion to open a public hearing on the Bluestone Retail Partners LLC/Hammel Property Annexation Agreement at 7:07 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

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

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Mike Rittof, 24560 W. Janet Ln., Channahon. On behalf of the Channahon Economic Development Corp. Bluestone made a presentation to CEDC and feel the project will be an asset to the community. Hope that CEDC will have input on stone wall monument sign to tie in with branding. CEDC would also like the project to concentrate efforts with IDOT to install a traffic light at the realigned frontage road.

Al Woods, 22618 S. Donna, Channahon, expressed concern that the new development would be similar to Pilot.

Trustee Papesh offered that the traffic signalization would alleviate much of that problem. Trustee Nash pointed out that there are no guarantees for a signal. President Cook also pointed out that there is a guarantee of an intersection and no left turn other than at the intersection because of the existing barrier median. The new frontage road will line up with the southwest frontage road.

Karen Smith, 25312 W. Channon Dr., Channahon, asked if the development has intentions to sell alcohol and in what capacity.

Claes stated that they have requested three (3) liquor licenses for development. One would be for the convenience store. Thornton ordinarily offers beer and wine, and occasionally hard liquor in packages only, but predominantly beer and wine. The other liquor licenses are intended for possible hotel bar and more full service restaurant.

McMahon stated that the licenses are outlined in the annexation agreement

Claes addressed the traffic concerns. He stated that their development is very much different from Pilot. Trucks, if stacked, will stack on a frontage road. Pilot is largest retailer of diesel fuel in the world. The two developments are not comparable. He believes IDOT will see the value in a signal.

Trustee Nash expressed concern that development in that area is premature without Rt. 6 and I-55 interchange reconstruction and that she would be willing to continue to wait for the interchange improvements to be done first.

Claes responded that if left alone, it will take IDOT 10 years. If the developer says they'll do it and get reimbursed, it will be done sooner. The current IDOT plan is not funded.

Trustee Papesh noted that Phase II engineering was done on bridge. Dolezal added that IDOT has gone back and added Phase I engineering on the frontage road and part of the bridge plan.

Ed Taylor 23408 S. Kathey Dr., Channahon stated that traffic is backed up now when NI Steel gets out and he expressed concern that the development will compound the problem.

Claes stated that he believes some traffic will come off of the highway, but much of the demand will come from the north end of the frontage road. Those trucks are now forced to cross the bridge to get fuel on the east side of the interchange. Southbound drivers will no longer need to cross the bridge to get fuel and this will alleviate some of the backup on the interchange bridge.

Trustee Greco made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:29 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Papesh.

ROLL CALL AYES: Nash, Papesh, McMillin, Slocum, Greco and Militello
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Slocum made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

ROLL CALL AYES: Papesh, McMillin, Slocum, Greco, Militello and Nash
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

Items approved at this time are as follows:

- A.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Committee – November 5, 2012
- B.** Consider Approval – Minutes – Board – November 5, 2012
- C.** Consider Approval – A Resolution to Enter into an Agreement with IDOT and Fund Traffic Signal Upgrades on U.S. Route 6 at Navajo Drive, Roberts Road and Tryon Street
- D.** Bills List – November 19, 2012

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM VILLAGE OFFICIALS

A. VILLAGE PRESIDENT

The Christmas Tree Lighting will take place on Sunday, December 2 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and the Three Rivers Public Library will also partake in the festivities.

B. ADMINISTRATION

Contribution to the Will County Center for Economic Development

Trustee Slocum made a motion to make the annual \$5,000 contribution to the Will County Center for Economic Development. Seconded by Trustee Papesh.

ROLL CALL AYES: Slocum, Greco, Militello and Papesh

NAYS: McMillin and Nash

MOTION CARRIED

Pena presented his monthly report for October 2012.

C. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Rock Island Clean Lines Resolution

Trustee Greco made a motion to approve the Resolution supporting the project and setting terms for future abatements. Seconded by Trustee Papesh.

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

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Bluestone Retail Partners LLC / Hammel Property

a. Annexation Agreement Ordinance – 1st Read

b. Annexation Ordinance – 1st Read

c. Rezoning Ordinance – 1st Read

d. Special Use Permit for a Preliminary PUD Ordinance – 1st Read

Silverman stated the Bluestone is working on an extension with Hammels. They would like Board input. The Board agreed to move forward, with dissent by Trustee Nash, stating that while she appreciates the work done, she is concerned the development is premature and there is a risk of additional truck traffic. She added that she'd rather wait if additional traffic without the interchange reconstruction will hinder her commute. Additionally, she is concerned that putting a Thornton's at that corner will brand the community.

Trustee Militello noted that these are tough economic times and the trucks are already here. She agreed to move forward.

McMahon presented his monthly report for October/November 2012.

D. FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Hire Kane, McKenna and Associates, Inc. to prepare the Annual TIF Report

Trustee Greco made a motion to approval the proposal from Kane, McKenna and Associates, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$2,500.00 for the preparation of the Village's annual TIF Report. Seconded by Trustee Papesh.

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

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

Preliminary 2012 Tax Levy

Trustee Slocum made a motion to recommend Option 3 as the tax levy amount determination per the state statute. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

ROLL CALL AYES: Militello, Nash, Papesh, McMillin, Slocum and Greco
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

State MFT Audit

Trustee Greco made a motion to accept and approve the Illinois Department of Transportation Village audit for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2011. Seconded by Trustee Papesh.

ROLL CALL AYES: Nash, Papesh, McMillin, Slocum, Greco and Militello
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

E. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Wold presented his monthly report for October 2012.

F. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Dolezal presented his monthly report for October 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: no report

Trustee Scott Slocum – Land Use: no report

OLD BUSINESS

No old business

NEW BUSINESS

No new business

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Steve Pauga, 14 Cherry, Channahon, stated that there is a needy resident and asked if there was anything VOC could do.

Chief Wold stated that PD is aware of her and is working to get her services.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Greco made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:54 p.m. an Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of an Employee of the Village of Channahon. Seconded by Trustee Papesh.

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

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

The Board returned from Executive Session and Trustee Slocum made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

VERBAL ROLL CALL: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED

Submitted by
Janet Schumacher
Village Clerk