

VILLAGE OF POSEN

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF POSEN HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 24th, 2014 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE POSEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING

CALL TO ORDER

President Donald W. Schupek called the Regular Meeting to order for Tuesday June 24th, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. in the Posen Municipal Building, 2440 W. Walter Zimny Drive, Posen, Illinois, 60469.

ROLL CALL

Upon the Call of the Roll by Clerk Grabowski, President Donald Schupek, Trustees G. Torres, D. Niemeyer, J. Casillas, and C. Spindler were present. Absent were Trustee D. J. Schnering, and R. Klapkowski. Also in attendance were Village Attorney Peter Murphy, Detective Sgt. Bob Quirk, Fire Chief Kevin Szewczyk, Director of Public Works Ken Stachulak and Bookkeeper Angelito Alzona.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Schupek led the Village Board and attending public in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

President Schupek called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held Tuesday, June 10th, 2014 as written. Trustee Niemeyer moved, seconded by Trustee Spindler to accept them. All Trustees Voted Aye: motion was approved.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION – Chairman D. J. Schnering

In the absence of Trustee Schnering, President Schupek called for a motion to accept Warrant #4-14/15. Trustee Torres moved, seconded by Trustee Spindler to do so. All Trustees Voted Aye: motion was approved.

The Village Offices will be closed for the July 4th holiday weekend. Hours will resume on Monday, July 7th at 9:00 A.M.

President Schupek directed the Clerk to read Ordinance #2014-09, Approving a Land Exchange with the Posen Park District.

Attorney Peter Murphy gave the following resume of this Ordinance:

The Village of Posen and Posen Park District have been in negotiations for the past several years regarding property in the Village.

The Village President and the Board of Trustees for the Village of Posen have determined that a property exchange with the Posen Park District is in the best interest of the Village and Citizens thereof.

The Village of Posen Parcel is an area located at 146th Street between Troy Street and Albany Avenue, which is approximately one-half acre in size.

The Posen Park District Parcel is an area located at San Francisco Avenue, North of 149th Street which contains 1.369 acres (59,635 square feet).

There is no money exchange between the Village and Park District.

President Schupek called for a motion to accept ordinance #2014-09. Trustee Torres moved, seconded by Trustee Niemeyer. All Trustees voted Aye: motion was approved.

COMMUNITY HEALTH & DEVELOPMENT - Chairman J. Casillas

Trustee Casillas gave the following Code Enforcement Department Report for June, 2014:

Court Date: June 23rd, 2014

Warning Letters - 50
Violations Written - 105
Compliances - 17
30 Day Extension - 49
Cases Dismissed - 1

Prepaid Fines – 24 - \$775.00
Fines Levied – 14 - \$725.00

Trustee Casillas announced a request for a variance on a fence replacement that was made at the Planning & Zoning Board Meeting held June 17th, 2014 for property located at 14901 South Sacramento Avenue. At that meeting, the Planning & Zoning Board approved the variance for the fence location and size with a final approval by the Village Board.

The Village Building Inspector then asked that the approval of the variance be reconsidered because of code violations of the location and the size of the fence.

On June 24th, 2014, the property owner appeared before the Village Board Meeting to request approval of the variance.

At that time, the Village Attorney, present at the meeting, asked for representation to explain the variance. The property owners came forward to explain their request for the variance.

After discussion among the Village Attorney, Board Members present at the meeting and the property owners, it was agreed to move the fence back one (1) foot from the sidewalk, parallel with the garage, maintaining the six (6) foot height.

The Village Attorney asked for a motion to approve or disapprove the variance with the agreed setback and fence height, at which time Trustee Torres made a motion to approve the variance with the agreed fence setback and height, seconded by Trustee Casillas. Upon roll call, all Village Board Members present at the meeting approved the variance as presented.

President Schupek recommended that the owners come to the Village Hall to meet with the Code Officer before erecting this fence.

PUBLIC WORKS – Chairman D. Niemeyer

Trustee Niemeyer announced water bills were due today by 5:00 P.M. Penalties will be assessed tomorrow, June 25th, 2014

Neighborhood Watch will be held on Thursday, June 26th, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

FIRE – Chairman – R. Klapkowski

In the absence of Trustee Klapkowski, President Schupek turned the floor over to Fire Chief Kevin Szewczyk.

Chief Szewczyk honored Lt. David Dutkiewicz with a Service Award for his 35 years as a Firefighter and 30 years as a Paramedic.

He then gave a brief history of Lt. Dutkiewicz career with the Posen Fire Department.

All present gave him a rousing hand of applause. Cake and coffee was served after the meeting.

POLICE – Chairman G. Guel Torres

Trustee Torres had no report.

RECREATION – Chairman C. Spindler

Trustee Spindler gave the following Community Center News Report for June 2014:

Community Luncheon

Wednesday, June 25th – 12 Noon

Citizenship Classes

Thursday, June 26th and July 3rd – 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Citizenship Classes

Saturday, June 28th & July 5th – 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

Dance Classes

Monday June 30th & July 7th – 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

American Legion Meeting

Wednesday, July 2nd – 7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

OTHER

President Schupek announced that the Dixie Dash Parade, which was held on Saturday, June 21st, was a huge success.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

A resident had a complaint regarding people coming from the outside of Posen and congregating at the park on 143rd street.

She asked if the Village had any jay-walking laws that are in force. After explaining the situation, President Schupek said he would look into the matter.

President Schupek wished everyone a Happy Fourth of July weekend.

ADJOURNMENT

President Schupek called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Torres moved, seconded by Trustee Casillas. All Trustees Voted Aye: motion was approved.

President Donald W. Schupek adjourned the Regular Meeting at 6:50 P.M.

Veronica Grabowski
Village Clerk

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