



Village of South Jacksonville
Regular Session – Board of Trustees
Village Hall Board Room

September 6, 2007
7:30 PM

Minutes

The Village of South Jacksonville Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, September 6, 2007 in the Village Hall Board Room.

Present for Roll Call: Village President Gordon D. Jumper, Village Clerk Linda Douglass. Trustees: Mike Elliott, Steve Douglass, John Gotschall, Sonie Smith, Dick Samples and Steve Waltrip. Also present: Office Manager Kathy Simpson, and Police Chief Richard Evans. Absent: Superintendent John Green, Building Inspector Ron Walls and Fire Chief David Hickox.

The minutes of the regular session of the Board of Trustees meeting held on August 2, 2007 were approved as presented. Motion was made by Steve Waltrip with a second by Steve Mike Elliott. The motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence: Received from the Illinois Department of Revenue: Sales Tax in the amount of \$17,722.98, Telecommunication Tax in the amount of \$1,049.88, Local Use Tax in the amount of \$3,978.71.

Village Clerk Linda Douglass read a thank you note that had been sent by the White Hall Elementary Summer School Program thanking the Village for the new Godfrey Park.

Mayor Jumper congratulated Fire Chief David Hickox on becoming a grandfather to Lilly Grace on August 22, 2007.

There were no additions to the agenda. Motion was made by Mike Elliott to approve the agenda as presented. Steve Waltrip seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There were no comments from the floor.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Jumper introduced John Power who spoke on behalf of the JREDC (Jacksonville Regional Economic Development Corporation) who updated the Board on the fundraising efforts for the next 5 years. Mr. Power stated that the over the past 5 years, \$1,600,000 had been raised. Following the presentation and a brief question and answer session, Mr. Power asked to Board for their support again and requested a donation of \$10,000 per year over the next 5 years. The Board decided this request will be taken under consideration and will be decide at a later date.

Mayor Jumper asked for a motion to approve the AMEREN easement for a power pole anchor. Motion was made by Steve Douglass with a second by Sonie Smith. The motion carried by roll call vote. (YES) votes were cast by Sonie Smith, John Gotschall, Dick Samples, Steve Waltrip, Mike Elliott and Steve Douglass. There were no dissenting votes.

Mayor Jumper updated the Board on the progress of the West Vandalia project. He stated the road is almost complete and the road should be open sometime next week. Mayor Jumper thanked the contractor for the exceptional work they have done on the project.

Mayor Jumper stated that the annual MFT (Motor Fuel Tax) project was completed in early August. The annual project was limited this year due to all the work on West Vandalia, which limited access to roads near the project. Mayor Jumper stated that more roads should be added next year.

Mayor Jumper announced to the Board that Public Works employee Kevin Costello has submitted his resignation effective 08/14/07. In his resignation he stated his reason for leaving was for another job opportunity. Mayor Jumper asked for a motion to accept the resignation. Motion was made by Mike Elliott with a second by Steve Waltrip. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jumper asked for a motion to approve Ordinance No. 906, a Stop Sign ordinance for new stop sign placement on streets adjacent to West Vandalia. Motion was made by Steve Waltrip with a second by Sonie Smith. Motion carried by roll call vote. (YES) votes were cast by Dick Samples, Mike Elliott, Sonie Smith, Steve Douglass, John Gotschall and Steve Waltrip. There were no dissenting votes.

Mayor Jumper asked for motion to waive bids for the purchase of a squad car. Motion was made by Steve Douglass with a second by Dick Samples. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jumper asked for a motion to approve the purchase of a 2004 Impala from the Missouri State Highway Patrol in the amount of \$10,400. Motion was made by Steve Douglass with a second by Sonie Smith. The motion carried by roll call vote. (YES) votes were cast by Dick Samples, Sonie Smith, Steve Douglass, Steve Waltrip, Mike Elliott and John Gotschall. There were no dissenting votes.

Mayor Jumper asked for a motion to approve an IDOT resolution to close a portion of South Main for a Veterans Day parade to be held on November 10, 2007. Motion was made by Mike Elliott with a second by Steve Waltrip. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jumper announced that the closing date for the Godfrey Park water toy will be September 4, 2007 and the restroom closing date will be October 15, 2007. He stated that the new park has been a huge success and has been enjoyed by many.

Mayor Jumper asked for a motion to approve the Save a Life Proclamation. Motion was made by Steve Douglass with a second by John Gotschall. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jumper stated that the IML (Illinois Municipal League) conference will be held again in Chicago. The dates for this year's conference will be October 18-21, 2007. He encouraged anyone wishing to attend, to contact Linda or Kathy at the Village Hall.

Mayor Jumper announced that the Priarieland Steam show will be held September 28-30. He stated that the firemen will be running the kitchen again this year.

Mayor Jumper asked for a motion to approve a salary range for supervisors of \$800 - \$60,000 a year. Motion was made by Dick Samples with a second by Mike Elliott. The motion carried by roll call vote. (YES) votes were cast by Dick Samples, Sonie Smith, Steve Douglass, Steve Waltrip, Mike Elliott and John Gotschall. There were no dissenting votes.

Mayor Jumper stated that the Police Chief's salary will be established at \$55,000 per year and the Office Manager at \$40,750 per year to be retro-active to May 1, 2007. Mayor Jumper stated at this time the salary for the WSS Superintendent will not be established because we are awaiting certification for the employee in this position.

Mayor Jumper announced that the Village Christmas party will be held at Gee Whilliker's banquet hall on December 14, 2007.

Mayor Jumper stated that a meeting had been held with the auditor last week and new reports and procedures will be put in place due to new auditing procedures and requirements. Mayor Jumper stated that one significant change will be the need for all funds, books and records to come into the main general ledger. This change will take place over the next several months.

Mayor Jumper announced that several years ago this Board advocated keeping the K-6 school system as it was here in the Village. He stated that after reading the new from Kansas City Missouri who changed their schools have now decided to go back to the K-6 system. Mayor Jumper congratulated and thanked the Board on their decision. It has proven to be a very important decision not only for our children but for our Village.

Committee Reports

Water, Sewer & Streets – Mike Elliott, Chairman

No report

Planning/Economic & Development – Dick Samples, Chairman

Chairman Samples stated that the committee met on August 29, 2007 and Jean Jumper with the West Central Mass Transit spoke to the committee and stated that effective October 1, 2007 they will be taking over the transportation for the Prairie Council on Aging. Chairman Samples stated that the committee decided that we would donate to her organization the same amount of funding that had been given to Prairie Council on Aging in the past. Chairman Samples made a motion to approve a \$2800 donation to the West Central Mass Transit District and also to continue with the coupon program which has a \$2500 a year limit. John Gotschall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jean Jumper with West Central Mass Transit spoke briefly regarding their program and thanked the Board for their support.

Jim Chambers spoke on behalf of the Prairie Council on Aging and thanked the Board for the contribution and support.

Chairman Samples made a motion to approve the TIF redevelopment agreement with Charlie Birdsell. Mike Elliott seconded the motion and it carried by roll call vote. (YES) votes were cast by Steve Douglass, Mike Elliott, Steve Waltrip, John Gotschall, Dick Samples and Sonie Smith. There were no dissenting votes.

Chairman Samples stated that building permits for the month of August 2007 had an estimated cost of construction at \$164,346, with revenue for the Village at \$332 for building permits.

Administrative / Finance – Steve Waltrip, Chairman

Chairman Waltrip made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for July 2007 with a second by Sonie Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Waltrip made a motion to approve the payables for August 2007. Sonie Smith seconded the motion and it carried by roll call vote. (YES) votes were cast by Dick Samples, Sonie Smith, Steve Douglass, Steve Waltrip, Mike Elliott and John Gotschall. There were no dissenting votes.

Police – Steve Douglass, Chairman

Chairman Douglass stated that the McGruff Golf Outing was a huge success again this year. He thanked Chief Evans and everyone who helped with this years outing and looks forward to another successful event next year.

Fire / Rescue – John Gotschall, Chairman

No Report

Personnel – Sonie Smith, Chairman

No Report

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Mayor Jumper asked for a roll call to adjourn into executive session. The Village Clerk called the roll.

Mayor Jumper asked for a roll call back into regular session. The Village Clerk called the roll.

There being no further business, John Gotschall made a motion to adjourn the September 6, 2007 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:48 PM. Steve Waltrip seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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Gordon D. Jumper, Village President

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Linda Douglass, Village Clerk

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