

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES OF THE  
VILLAGE OF CAMPTON HILLS  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015  
7:00 P.M.**

**THE CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
40W451 FOX MILL BOULEVARD  
CAMPTON HILLS, ILLINOIS**

**1. Call to Order**

President Blecker called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

**2. Roll Call**

Clerk Girka called the roll:

Present: President Blecker, Trustee Andersen, Trustee McKelvie, Trustee O'Dwyer, Trustee Millette, Trustee George (arrived at 7:13pm)

Absent: Trustee Tyrrell

Also Present: Administrator Johnsen, Clerk Girka, Attorney Tappendorf, Treasurer Long, Chief Hoffman

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

President Blecker led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Public Comment:**

Dave Kawecki of Crestwood Drive voiced concern over speeding in his neighborhood and poor response from the Village Police when he called in his complaints. Mr. Kawecki suggested that speed limit signs and children present signs be installed. Chief Hoffman will follow up with Mr. Kawecki.

**5. Consent Agenda** [By a single unanimous vote, called an omnibus vote, the Board may approve a number of unrelated items. There may be no discussion, but any Trustee may remove any one or more items from the Consent Agenda, whereupon that item goes on the agenda below.]

- a. Motion to approve payment of bills per Warrant List #16-09
- b. Motion to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2015 Meeting
- c. Motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2015 Special Meeting
- d. Motion to advise and consent to the Village President's reappointment of Randy Carls to the Beautification Committee for a term expiring September 15, 2017
- e. Motion to advise and consent to the Village President's appointment of Joseph Drago to the Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals for a term expiring September 15, 2020
- f. Motion to advise and consent to the Village President's appointment of Susan George to the Water Resources Committee for a term expiring September 15, 2017
- g. Motion to accept the resignation of Marietta Lenkaitis from the Beautification Committee
- h. Motion to waive the temporary sign permit fee in the amount of \$20.00 for Campton Township for the Prairie Fest
- i. Motion to waive the temporary sign permit fee in the amount of \$20.00 for the Congregational United Church of Christ for the United Fall Fest

Trustee O'Dwyer pulled items H and I

**Motion to approve Items A-G made by Trustee McKelvie; seconded by Trustee Millette**

Roll Call Vote:

5-Ayes: Trustees McKelvie, Millette, Andersen, George, O'Dwyer

0-Nays

Motion Carried.

Discussion about Items H and I, waiver of sign permit fee.

- Trustee O'Dwyer asked for clarification on this being the general protocol. It was confirmed that historically, it has been.

**Motion to approve a waiver of the temporary sign permit fee in the amount of \$20.00 for Campton Township for the Prairie Fest made by Trustee Millette; seconded by Trustee Andersen**

Roll Call Vote:

5-Ayes: Trustees McKelvie, Millette, Andersen, George, O'Dwyer

0-Nays

Motion Carried.

**Motion to approve a waiver the temporary sign permit fee in the amount of \$20.00 for the Congregational United Church of Christ for the United Fall Fest made by Trustee O'Dwyer; seconded by Trustee Andersen**

Roll Call Vote:

5-Ayes: Trustees McKelvie, Millette, Andersen, George, O'Dwyer

0-Nays

Motion Carried.

**6. Treasurer's Report Ending August 31, 2015**

Treasurer Long presented the report

- Trustee O'Dwyer asked about police fines and if ticketing is down resulting in being under budget
  - Chief Hoffman advised ticketing is about the same as previous years and added that DUI ticketing and proceeds are down.
  - Administrator Johnsen explained that there is a rather substantial lag time in receiving funds from the County.
- President Blecker added that he would like to see accountability for outstanding checks.

**7. August 2015 Police Department Report**

- Chief Hoffman provided comment.
  - Two officers have resigned and we now have vacancies to fill.
    - Village is having difficulty in filling vacant positions.
    - Officer Jeff Hunger from Winfield has accepted a position with us.
  - Senior Citizen Police Academy was a wonderful success and the feedback has been very positive.
    - Chief wanted to recognize the efforts of Officers Hatt and Millar for their hard work is organizing and presenting the Academy.
    - Trustee Andersen commented on how valuable the experience was.
  - Chief Hoffman would like to start a Police Benevolent Association and needs community outreach to get it started.
  - Trustee O'Dwyer inquired how United Fall Fest went.

- Chief Hoffman explained it went smoothly without incident.
- The Police Department is participating in the DEA drug take back program on September 26 for unused prescription drugs.
- Trustee Andersen inquired about calls for service.
  - Chief Hoffman advised that billing has started again for false alarms.
- Trustee Andersen asked about fraud calls.
  - Chief Hoffman suggested that residents need to be diligent. Don't open strange emails and be careful not to fall for "to good to be true" offers. These scams are often international and there is little the Police Department can do other than make a report.
- Trustee Andersen inquired if high speed violations are up.
  - Chief Hoffman advised that, in actuality, our roads are very safe.
  - Enforcement is focused on the major roadways.

**8. Motion to adopt a resolution approving an Assumption Agreement between Norton Lake Development LLC, K. Hovnanian at Norton Lake, LLC and the Village of Campton Hills regarding the Norton Lake Subdivision made by Trustee Millette; seconded by McKelvie**

Discussion ensued:

- Attorney Tappendorf provided explanation of the agreement.
- Trustee Andersen asked how we are making sure structures are being built properly.
  - Administrator Johnsen advised Trotter and Associates are contracted to inspect the structures during the building process.
- Trustee George inquired how the approved development maybe changed
  - Attorney Russ Whitaker for K. Hovnanian was present provided further explanation.
  - Administrator Johnsen explained that the covenants and restrictions have design guidelines in them.
    - The developer of the Norton Lake Development, Hank Harrison, will have the ability to waive certain restrictions.
    - Lots are planned to be sold to K. Hovnanian and K. Hovnanian is doing the initial earthwork.
- Trustee O'Dwyer asked what oversight the Village will have and what is the long term protection.
  - President Blecker explained that the engineers were hired to provide oversight.
  - Administrator Johnsen added that funds held in escrow will not be released until one year after completion. Very good controls have been put into place to protect the Village and that the Village will need to formally accept improvements.
- Trustee Andersen asked about sanitary sewer services.
  - Attorney Whitaker advised the overseeing Judge dismissed the case and complaint against the developer, Hank Harrison.

Roll Call Vote:

5-Ayes: Trustees McKelvie, Millette, Andersen, George, O'Dwyer

0-Nays

Motion Carried.

**9. Motion to approve an Ordinance Amending the Village Code regarding Purchasing Procedures made by Trustee George; seconded by trustee McKelvie**

*Trustee Millette left the meeting at 7:52pm*

Discussion ensued.

- Trustee Andersen stated that she is uncomfortable with the expenditure levels, especially on the committee level.
  - President Blecker stated that committees need some discretionary spending to proceed with their work.
  - Trustee McKelvie added that we should trust the individuals appointed to these committees and that more than sufficient oversight is in place to quickly assess abnormal expenditures.
- Administrator Johnsen is fine with reducing levels, but eliminating them altogether would create more work for the Village administration.
- President Blecker spoke in defense of committee level spending limits and to trust the integrity of the individuals that the Board appointed to these committees.
- Trustee O'Dwyer asked that if a need exceeded \$500 that a simple budget plan be presented to explain the costs.
- Trustee Andersen stated that other Villages do not allow spending privileges by the President.
  - President Blecker explained that the way the ordinance has been written it will provide limits to be split up to engage more than one person on expenditures.
  - Administrator Johnsen commented on the need to allow spending in emergency situations when the Administrator is unavailable.
- Trustee Andersen stated that more clarity is needed on the definition of an emergency.
  - Attorney Tappendorf provided comment of how emergencies have been handled by other municipalities.
  - Administrator Johnsen explained emergencies are as described in state statute and are subject to restrictions.
- Trustee George called the question.

Roll Call Vote:

3-Ayes: President Blecker, Trustee George, Trustee McKelvie

2-Nays: Trustee Andersen, Trustee O'Dwyer

Motion failed.

**Motion to approve an Ordinance to Amend the Village Code regarding Spending Procedures to include spending limits of \$5,000 for the President, \$5,000 for the Administrator, \$1,000 for Department Heads, and \$500 for Committee Chairs made by Trustee Andersen; seconded to O'Dwyer**

Roll Call Vote:

4-ayes: Trustees: Andersen, George, McKelvie, O'Dwyer

0-Nays

Motion carried.

#### 10. CLOSED SESSION:

- Trustee O'Dwyer asked about what can be discussed in closed session.
  - Attorney Tappendorf provided explanation what can and can't be discussed as outlined by the agenda.

**Motion to enter into closed session as presented at 8:20 pm made by Trustee George; seconded by Trustee McKelvie**

Roll Call Vote:

4-ayes: Trustees: Andersen, George, McKelvie, O'Dwyer

0-Nays

Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 8:20PM

The Board returned to open session at 9:20PM

Clerk Girka called the roll:

Present: President Blecker, Trustee Andersen, Trustee George, Trustee McKelvie, Trustee O'Dwyer

Also Present: Clerk Girka, Administrator Johnsen, and Attorney Tappendorf.

**11. Additional Items from the Village President, Trustees, Village Administrator, Village Attorney or Staff**

- President Blecker - United Fall Fest was a great success.
- Trustee George asked about Norton Lake signage.
  - Administrator Johnsen explained that IDOT is very strict on road signage but she will contact IDOT to find out if signage was approved.
- Administrator Johnsen stated she has received the health and dental renewal information and it will be on the next agenda for consideration.
- Update of Fox Mill Code Enforcement
  - Administrator Johnsen attended the HOA meeting and there was some agreement on altering the verbiage on the existing signs to comply with the approved plats.

**12. Motion to adjourn at 9:38 pm made by Trustee George; seconded by Trustee O'Dwyer**

Voice Vote:

4-Ayes

0-Nays

Motion Carried.

Approved this 6 day of October, 2015.



Nicholas Girka, Village Clerk

  
Harry Blecker, Village President