MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JULY 13, 2015
VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI

The recessed Special Meeting of June 28, 2015 was called to order at 7:02 pm by Chairman Stoufer.

Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Barker, moved to adjourn the Special Meeting of June 28, 2015. All yeas. Motion carried.

The Board meeting of July 13, 2015 was called to order.

Present: Trustees Barker; Carter; Harvey; and McClure, Chairman Stoufer, Chief Coonce; Chief Stewart, and Clerk King.

Absent: None

Chairman Stoufer requested that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee McClure, to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting of June 22, 2015 with stated corrections. All yeas. Motion carried.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 28, 2015 with stated corrections. All yeas. Motion carried.

Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee Carter, to approve the Payment of Bills for the period of June 19, 2015 – July 10, 2015. All yeas. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee McClure stated the EDC had not met since the last Board meeting but would be meeting on Wednesday, July 15. She invited the Board members to attend as the agenda for this meeting will be to re-assess the Committee’s goals.

Trustee Harvey thanked everyone for their assistance with the July 10 car show. Even though it rained, cars still showed up along with several Village businesses until the rain became too heavy around 7 pm. He reminded the resident’s the next car show will be on August 7.

Trustee Harvey shared the Fire Station was now back in order and the firefighters have moved back in. He invited residents to see the improvements and work done to the station if they had not attended the recent Open House.

Trustee Barker asked Clerk King if a “noise” section had been added to the Community Building rental agreement. Clerk King confirmed this had been completed along with a letter being sent to those who had already submitted their reservations stating the policy change. The language states if noise becomes too excessive a warning will be given to the group using the facility. A second warning will result in the loss of their security deposit with a third warning resulting in the event being closed down.

Trustee Barker shared the Community Building vents had now had “sound proofing” plates which were installed by Chairman Stoufer and his son and now should reduce the noise considerably. She shared the Fire Station Open House went well and thanked everyone for their assistance in getting the final remodeling touches completed. She extended a special thanks to Chief Stewart for all his work.

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Chairman Stoufer echoed that if residents had not had the opportunity to see the remodeling of the Fire Station to go down and see the improvements. He shared that the local KCUR radio station had aired an interview last week about the Ford plant and its relationship with Claycomo. The interview was not very flattering to Claycomo which featured a current Ford worker and a former Northland reporter. Having heard the interview, Chairman Stoufer contacted the station to inquire why no Village representative had been included in this interview. Chairman Stoufer has been invited to be interviewed by the station on Thursday, July 16 at 10:00 am.

Clerk King updated the Board on the recent seminar he, Carla and Beth had attended regarding information on the new Senate Bill 5 (SB5). The seminar had nearly 85 people attending including court clerks, lawyers, police chiefs, and judges. SB5 has a lot of required changes in the way municipalities will report and track court violations. The Bill will also have impact on some of the police procedures and fines the Village will no longer be able to issue that had been in the past. The seminar resulted in a lot of other questions which could not be answered by the presenters. A follow up seminar will be scheduled shortly to provide all the required information to fully understand the components of SB5.

Chief Stewart thanked the Board for all their help in getting the final touches completed for the Fire Station. He also invited residents that have not seen the changes to visit the station.

Chief Stewart updated the Board on the applications received for the open Assistant Chief position. He stated nine (9) applications had been received and asked the Board select 2 members to assist with the interviewing process.

Chief Coonce announced the new police vehicle had been delivered and the installation of the interior equipment and lights would begin shortly.

Clerk King updated the Board on the activities of the Park Board. They have several projects now identified and will begin work in the Parks over the next few weeks. The first areas to be addressed will be the painting and repairs of the playground equipment. Clerk King invited the residents to the parks and see the upcoming improvements over the next couple of weeks.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Stoufer announced he and his wife had purchased a home outside of Claycomo and would be resigning from the Board effectively immediately. Chairman Stoufer shared he dedicated 22 years helping to make Claycomo a community residents and business owners are proud to call home. Clerk King read Chairman Stoufer’s resignation letter. Following the reading of the letter, Board members, Department Heads, and residents shared their thoughts, and best wishes, regarding the contributions and dedication Chairman Stoufer has made to the Village over his 22 years as a Board member and individually thanked him for his service. Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to accept the resignation of Chairman Stoufer from the Board of Trustees. All yeas. Motion carried.

Clerk King informed the residents that the MO State Statute (RSMo 80.230) clearly defines the transitional process resulting from a vacancy on the Board of Trustees. Per RSMo 80.230, Clerk King asked for nominations for the position of Temporary Chairman. Trustee Harvey nominated Trustee Barker for the position. Clerk King asked Trustee Barker if she would be willing to serve which she confirmed. Trustee Carter moved, seconded by Trustee McClure, to approve the appointment of Trustee Barker as temporary Chairman. Trustee McClure – yea; Trustee Carter – yea; Trustee Harvey – yea; Trustee Barker – abstained. Motion carried.
Per RSMo 80.230, Clerk King asked for nominations to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Chairman Stoufer. Trustee McClure nominated Mr. Greg Thompson for the vacant Board position. Clerk King asked Mr. Thompson if he would be willing to serve which he confirmed. Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee Carter, to approve the appointment of Mr. Greg Thompson to fill the Board vacancy. Trustee McClure – yea; Trustee Carter – yea; Trustee Harvey – yea; Madame Chairperson Barker – abstained (per RSMo 80.230). Motion carried.

Clerk King administered the Oath of Office to Trustee Thompson and welcomed him to the Board.

Clerk King asked for nominations to fill the vacancy of Chairman Pro-Tem. Trustee Carter nominated Trustee McClure for the position. Clerk King asked Trustee McClure if she would be willing to serve which she confirmed. Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee Thompson, to approve the appointment of Trustee McClure as temporary Chairman Pro-Tem. Trustee McClure – abstain; Trustee Carter – yea; Trustee Harvey – yea; Trustee Thompson – yea; Madame Chairperson Barker – yea. Motion carried.

Ms. Linda Calligan, resident, asked when the temporary sign at the Zedz store would be addressed. Clerk King stated he would take of it on Tuesday.

Ms. Marj Finley, resident, thanked Jason Wallace for assisting in the removal of the raccoon from her property.

Ms. Sharon Bayte, resident, stated the sidewalks in front of her home were being damaged due to the trucks from Blue Nile driving on them. Chief Coonce stated he would get with Blue Nile and the Road district to have this stopped and the sidewalks repaired.

Mrs. Carter, resident, shared that Mission Thrift had moved to Pleasant Valley and asked if there was any business that would be going into the storefront. The Board was not aware of any business currently considering the vacant storefront.

Trustee McClure and Carter asked that everyone keep Debbie Taylor in their prayers for her health issues. Trustee Harvey thanked everyone for their continued support and especially thanked the Fire Department for their continued assistance in caring for his family.

Presentation of the FY-13-14 audit was tabled until the July 27, 2015 meeting.

Trustee Carter moved, seconded by Trustee McClure, to approve the hiring of James Bonikowski for the part-time Public Works position at a rate of $11.00 per hour and not to exceed 30 hours of work per week with six-month probation and contingent upon a background check. All yeas. Motion carried.

“Building Better Cities” discussion was tabled until the July 27, 2015 meeting.

There being no further business with the Board, Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee McClure, to recess the meeting subject to the call of the Chairman. All yeas. Motion carried. Recessed at 8:02 pm.

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