

Village of Winthrop Harbor
President and Board of Trustees Meeting

August 4, 2015

Village Hall Counsel Chambers

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Loy at 7:00 PM.

The following Elected Officials were present:

Mayor: Robert D. Loy

Trustees:

Kimberly Braden, Buddy Hargett, Robert Marabella, Dana McCarthy, Richard Robards

Also present:

Attorney Robert Long
Deputy Clerk Julie Rittenhouse
Lisa Shaw, Finance Director
Tim Nearingder, Superintendent of Public Works
Joel Brumlik, Chief of Police
Justin Stried, Fire Chief

Pastor Doug Carlson from Grace Missionary Church led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Loy.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1 - A motion was made by Trustee Marabella and seconded by Trustee Braden to approve the July 21, 2015 Appropriation Hearing Minutes as presented. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (5) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards
Nays: (0)
Absent: (1) Weiss
Passed: (0)

2 - A motion was made by Trustee Marabella and seconded by Trustee Braden to approve the July 21, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (5) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards
Nays: (0)
Absent: (1) Weiss
Passed: (0)

OLD BUSINESS

None Reported.

MAYOR'S REPORT

A discussion about Advanced Disposal (Zion Landfill) Expansion. Mayor Loy said that he didn't know much about it but wanted to make the persons that are affected by the expansion aware so they have an opportunity to speak up for themselves. When asked where to go, he told the residents that they need to go to the City of Zion first because the Village of Winthrop Harbor has no jurisdiction. The Mayor thought that a Resolution would also help because it says that the Village is on the side of the residents.

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

None reported.

NEW BUSINESS

3 - A motion was made by Trustee Robards and seconded by Trustee Marabella to approve the Accounts Payable Warrant 2015-6 in the amount of \$359,809.47. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (5) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards
Nays: (0)
Absent: (1) Weiss
Passed: (0)

Mayor Loy said that talking to Finance Director, Lisa Shaw, we are tight on money and we need to keep in under control. We might have an open budget meeting in the next month or two.

Resolution 2015-R-17 A Resolution Authorizing the Sale and/or Disposal of Certain Personal Property-Two (2) Squad Cars

4 - A motion was made by Trustee Hargett and seconded by Trustee Marabella to approve Resolution 2015-R-17 as presented. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (5) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards
Nays: (0)
Absent: (1) Weiss
Passed: (0)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mrs. Owen from 421 Ravine Drive said that she wanted to thank Public Works for the professional job they did taking down the dying Ash trees. She went on to say that she was riding her bicycle on Sheridan Road and was forced off the road by a car. She fell and broke her hand. She said that people were quick to stop and help her. She went on to say that there needs to be designated connecting bike routes with signs and cars are supposed to give bicyclists 3 feet.

A few more people showed up to talk about the dog beach. One resident asked if there was anything that could be done to help with the clean-up of the beach. They also asked if it would be possible to make it a dog beach during the off season. Mayor Loy said that not much will happen this summer with the beach because there's a study that's going to be done by the best expert in the country and recommendations will follow. We will get together with the DNR this winter to discuss this and come up with a plan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trustee Marabella thanked Tim Nearing and Public Works for the great work they've done. It was really nice to have someone come to a meeting and speak highly of our Public Works.

Trustee Braden thanked the Department Heads for their reports. A special thanks to Trustee Hargett and Trustee McCarthy for volunteering to be in the dunk tank during Harbor Days.

Trustee Hargett thanked Kim and John for the Harbor Days planning. Good job to the Winthrop Harbor Tourism for the planning. It was a great weekend.

He also talked about a good meeting he had regarding lakefront development. He was told, we've got a lake and we need to use it. The three communities, Winthrop Harbor, Zion and Beach, need to work together to market and develop the lake front.

Trustee McCarthy thanked John, Pat and Kim for their organization of Harbor Days. He wanted to remind everyone that there is a Baseball Booster fund raiser car wash this Saturday, August 8, 2015 from 12 to 3 at the Community Center.

Trustee Robards thanked the Department Heads for their reports. He then asked Fire Chief Stried to tell everyone about the Dive team rescue in Beach Park. Chief Stried told how there were kids out on a raft and the raft was losing air. We got our boat out on the water and rescued them. He went on to say that we are the only ones in this area that have access to a boat.

ADJOURNMENT

5 - A motion was made by Trustee Marabella and seconded by Trustee Braden to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Loy declared the meeting adjourned at 7:57p.m.on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: (5) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards

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Nays: (0)

Absent: (1) Weiss

Passed: (0)

APPROVED:

ROBERT D. LOY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JULIE RITTENHOUSE, DEPUTY CLERK

Note: This is not a verbatim record.