

Village of Winthrop Harbor
President and Board of Trustees Meeting
February 21, 2017
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, Hartmut "Fritz" Weiss

Also present:

Attorney, Robert Long
Julie Rittenhouse, Village Clerk

The Invocation was led by Pastor Major Dalton from First Baptist Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1 - A motion was made by Trustee Robards and seconded by Trustee Weiss to approve the **February 7, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes** as presented. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (4) Hargett, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (2) Braden, Marabella

OLD BUSINESS

None Reported

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Salvation Army – Request to allow - Annual Donate Days Campaign: Friday and Saturday, June 2 & 3 and Red Kettle Campaign: Monday-Saturday, November 1-December 23, (2017)

2 - A motion was made by Trustee Marabella and seconded by Trustee Braden to approve the **request by The Salvation Army**. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

2017 Health Insurance Renewal – TABLED UNTIL MARCH 7, 2017 MEETING

WESTREC MARINAS REQUEST TO DISCUSS THE SLIP TAX WITH THE VILLAGE BOARD

Scott Stevenson, Executive VP of Westrec Marinas had a video presentation outlining what they have done with other marinas in other states and 10 marinas for the Chicago Park District as well. They are one of the nation's Largest Marina companies. After the video, he then went on to say that in 2008 the North Point Marina had 1500 slips with 1400 of them full. Last year there were only 400 slips occupied and this year maybe only 350. He said that due to the disrepair of the marina, people have gone to Kenosha, Racine and Waukegan. In December 2016, Westrec was chosen by the IDNR for a 25 year long term lease. He said that his company would be investing \$2 million in improvements this first year. Fixing the docks, washrooms and landscaping. They want to build a swimming pool with a slide and deck also a picnic area around it. This would be available to both the residents and visitors at a nominal fee. Although it wasn't in the RFP, they would take over the maintenance of the beach. He said they are not hotel developers but would support the development of a hotel. They would like to hold activities every 2 weeks and invite everyone. He said after paying the County Lease Hold tax of 3-6% they couldn't afford to pay the Village the slip fees. He said if the village didn't waive the \$5 per foot slip fees they would walk away. After a lengthy conversation between Mr. Stevenson and the board, it was agreed they would meet the next day, Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 4:30 to see if they could reach some sort of agreement.

3 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Braden to authorize a meeting between Scott Stevenson from Westrec, Mayor Loy, Attorney Long and Trustee Robards on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 4:30 to negotiate and bring something back to the table. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

ORDINANCE 2017-O- An Ordinance Amending Chapter 102 of the Municipal Code of Winthrop Harbor - TABLED

4 - A motion was made by Trustee Robards and seconded by Trustee Braden to **TABLE the Ordinance Amending Chapter 102 of the Municipal Code of Winthrop Harbor until**

after the meeting with Westrec on February 22, 2017. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

None reported

NEW BUSINESS

5 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and seconded by Trustee Marabella to approve **Accounts Payable Warrant W2016-17** in the amount of **\$108,253.58**. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

6 - A motion was made by Trustee Weiss and Seconded by Trustee Braden to approve the **January 2017 Treasurer's Report** as presented. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

RESOLUTION 2017-R-4 A Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Participation Agreement with the Illinois Council of Police Regarding Health Insurance Policies

7 - A motion was made by Trustee Hargett and seconded by Trustee Robards to approve **Resolution 2017-R-4** as presented. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

Transfer of Police Department Squads #357 and #366 to the Fire Department

8 - A motion was made by Trustee Hargett and seconded by Trustee Robards to approve the **Transfer of Police Department Squads #357 and #366 to the Fire Department.** Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

Winthrop Harbor Lions Club – Request Approval to Purchase and Install a New LED Sign at Village Park and Waive Any Fees

9 - A motion was made by Trustee McCarthy and seconded by Trustee Braden to approve **Winthrop harbor Lions Club Request to Purchase and Install a New LED Sign at Village Park and Waive Any Fees.** Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Rich Coombe from the V.F.W. presented a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the K9 fund.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trustee McCarthy – Recreation Department

- Baseball/Softball Sign-up through March 5th
- Fun Fair this Saturday, February 25 from 11am – 4pm
- Update on the K9 program. Exceeded the K9 goal to cover all expenses (vet,food,training)

Trustee Hargett – Police Department

- Thanked the community and Pinsters for their support with the K9 fundraising

Trustee Braden – Community Development

- Thanked the Lions Club and the VFW for always being generous to the Village
- Thanked all of the residents for coming to the meeting. Appreciates that they take the time to come

CLOSED SESSION

10 - A motion was made by Trustee Robards and seconded by Trustee Marabella to move the meeting into **Closed Session Citing Collective Bargaining 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act.** Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote and the meeting moved into Closed Session at 8:54pm.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

OPEN SESSION

11 - A motion was made by Trustee Braden and seconded by Trustee Weiss to move the meeting into **Open Session** with **no action taken**. Mayor Loy declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote and the meeting moved into Open Session at 9:00pm.

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

ADJOURNMENT

12 - A motion was made by Trustee Robards and seconded by Trustee Braden to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Loy declared the meeting adjourned at 9:01pm on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: (6) Braden, Hargett, Marabella, McCarthy, Robards, Weiss
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

APPROVED:

ROBERT D. LOY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JULIE RITTENHOUSE, VILLAGE CLERK

Note: This is not a verbatim record.