

**VILLAGE OF JOHNSBURG  
MARCH 19, 2019 REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

President Edwin Hettermann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Attendees

Trustee Kevin McEvoy (absent)  
Trustee Greg Klemstein  
Trustee Kyle Frost  
Trustee Tom Curry  
Trustee Mary Lou Hutchinson  
Trustee Josh Hagen  
Village Engineer Tim Hartnett  
Special Project Assistant Rick Quinn  
Chief Keith VonAllmen

**OMNIBUS AGENDA** – Trustee Curry moved to approve the Omnibus Agenda. Trustee Frost seconded the motion. Trustee Hagen questioned if staff considered leasing the copiers included for purchase on the agenda. Ms. Peters explained that the cost to purchase was less than the five-year lease option offered and historically the Village has retained their copies for longer than five years. Trustee Hutchinson requested discussion regarding the amendments to Chapter 9 related to Liquor Control and Liquor Licensing. She explained that the Ordinance Committee met last month and had some concerns regarding the fee increases and therefore requested additional information regarding the matter for their March meeting. She questioned why the matter was brought back before the board without going back to the Ordinance Committee. President Hettermann explained that the matter was already approved by the Board at the February 19<sup>th</sup> meeting and approval of the ordinance merely ratifies the board's previous action. Trustee Hutchinson questioned why the Ordinance Committee was not given an opportunity to provide input. President Hettermann explained that the Finance Committee is responsible for the review of Village fees and the Village Board took action based upon their recommendation. He stressed the need to take expeditious action on the matter so that liquor license holders could be notified of the fee changes in a timely manner. President Hettermann added that input could be provided from the Ordinance Committee next year, as the matter was already approved by the Village Board and letters regarding the fee changes had been sent to the liquor license holders. President Hettermann asked Trustee Hutchinson if she would prefer a separate vote on the Ordinance amending Chapter 9. Trustee Hutchinson declined. All Trustees present voted aye on the roll. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – President Hettermann requested a status report from Mr. Hartnett regarding the David G. Dominguez Municipal Center. Mr. Hartnett reported that a Request for Qualifications was sent to nine architectural firms, two of which were local firms. Seven firms submitted their RFQ's in February after which the DGD Building Committee members reviewed the submittals and individually rated them based upon specific criteria. The Committee then met to evaluate and share their individual findings, which resulted in three firms being selected to present to the committee. Mr. Hartnett reported that FGM, Dewberry, and Kluber Architects were selected and will present to the committee in April. The Committee will come back to the board with their recommendation thereafter.

President Hettermann and Chief VonAllmen presented plaques to the Citizen Police Academy graduates.

**BENCK VARIANCE** - The Board performed a First Read of Ordinance 18-19-38 Granting a Variance to permit a pool and pool house in front of the principal structure for the property commonly known as the Benck property at 4505 Farmington Lane. Mr. Benck stated that the homeowner's association approved the

improvements as did Fox Development. He added that the adjacent neighbor to the south expressed some concerns, which were addressed with additional landscape buffering

**COMPLETE STREET POLICY** – Ms. Peters discussed the proposed Complete Streets Policy and explained that it puts into written policy current practices to implement improvements to accommodate pedestrians and bicyclists whenever possible throughout the community. She explained some of the performance measures that will need to be tracked. The matter will be included on the Omnibus agenda for action at the next meeting.

**CHAPTER 7 BUSINESS REGISTRATION** – President Hettermann reported that the Finance Committee also conducted a review of business registration, electronic devices and vending machine fees and recommended no changes. He explained that at the current time, businesses are not charged to register in the Village unless they fail to do so by May 1<sup>st</sup>. President Hettermann stated that he does not wish to discourage businesses from registering by charging a fee however there is a cost associated with administering the registrations and we should attempt to help cover those costs. Trustee Hagen suggested that the Village offer something additional to those businesses that register. The Board discussed requiring a business registration in order to be listed on the Village's website. Trustee Hutchinson questioned if the registrations could be done electronically. Ms. Peters stated that is the current process, however there are still costs associated with providing the certificate. President Hettermann explained that the Village is switching to a window/door sticker in lieu of a certificate, which will help keep postage costs down. President Hetterman asked Trustee Hutchinson if she would like to take the matter to the Ordinance Committee for input. Trustee Hutchinson expressed that she does not believe her committee will be supportive but she will raise it with the committee. The matter was tabled to the next board meeting for action.

**RESIDENTAL REFUSE AND RECYCLING** – Trustee Klemstein explained that the Finance Committee did not support the idea of an increase in the fees nor did they support the idea of removing the recycling rebate. He stated that it is difficult to justify an increase to residents when Waste Management's stock is strong and the company appears to be doing well. President Hettermann pointed out that the proposed increase would put the rates as high as other communities that get more services from their waste haulers. All Trustees in attendance agreed to reject the request and stay with the terms of the current contract.

**TRICK OR TREAT** – Trustee Curry discussed the results of the survey conducted to determine if Trick or Treating should take place on Halloween or on the Sunday before. The survey results reflect that 42% wish to change Trick or Treating to the Sunday before Halloween and 58% want it to take place on Halloween. Trustee Curry reported that input from his committee resulted in three members who did not wish to participate in the vote, as they did not feel they were impacted. Four members supported having it on the Sunday before Halloween and one member expressed a desire to keep it on Halloween. Trustee Curry stated that the main reason members wanted it on Sunday was so that they could Trick or Treat with their children and added that some members felt it was safer on Sunday due to less traffic. President Hettermann questioned Chief VonAllmen as to whether he believed it would be safer to conduct Trick or Treating on the Sunday prior to Halloween. Chief VonAllmen stated there was less traffic on Sunday when Trick or Treating took place this year, which did create a safer environment for the children. President Hettermann requested a motion on the matter. Trustee Frost moved to keep Trick or Treating on Halloween. Trustee Klemstein seconded the motion. Motion carried with Trustees Frost, Hutchinson and Klemstein voting aye and Trustees Curry and Hagen voting no.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**-FINANCE COMMITTEE** – Trustee Klemstein reported that the committee is working on the FY 2020 Budget and is reaching out to committees for input

**-DEVELOPMENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS** - Trustee Frost reported that the committee did not meet in February.

**-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** – Trustee Hagen reported that the passage of the *Visit McHenry County* advertisement will be a real benefit to the Village. He added that the Committee continues to work on developing the advertising map.

**-COMMUNITY AFFAIRS** – Trustee Curry reported that the committee is preparing for this year's Easter Egg Hunt and planning for the wine event, which will take place at the Chapel Hill Golf Course this year. Trustee Curry further reported that he will be attending the Sunrise Rotary meeting to further discuss what they would like to do regarding park improvements.

**-ORDINANCE** – Trustee Hutchinson stated she had nothing to report as the Committee is meeting that week.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Trustee Curry moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Hagen seconded the motion. All Trustees voted aye on the roll. Motion carried at 7:57 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Claudett Peters*  
*Village Administrator*