

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF WORTH
January 18, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Village of Worth Village Board was called to order by Village President Werner on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 7:01 p.m.

President Werner announced that on January 4 the board approved a motion to allow Trustee Kats to participate remotely for the months of January and February.

ROLL CALL

Present and responding to roll call were the following:

Village President	Mary Werner
Village Clerk	Bonnie Price
Village Trustees:	Kevin Ryan
	Pete Kats
	Tedd Muersch Jr.
	Rich Dziedzic
	Laura Packwood

Also Present:

Village Attorney	Dan Bolin
Deputy Chief of Police	Cris Fernandez
Public Works Superintendent	Wayne Demonbreun
Building Commissioner	Bruce Zartler

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

President Werner stated that Assad Amir is in the audience, he is purchasing the property at 6435 W. 111th Street in the TIF district and is asking for \$75,000.00 from the TIF fund. Assad went over the plans for the property, Assad stated there is 1 apartment on the 2nd floor. This will become 3 2 bedroom apartments. On the first floor there will be 5 rental units one being a used car lot. There is parking in the rear. President Werner stated that he will need to go in front of the REDB for the 3 rental properties on the 2nd floor. Trustee Muersch Jr. asked to see the plans. Commissioner Zartler stated that the building will have 3 sides with glass windows. Trustee Muersch Jr. asked for the balance in the TIF fund. President Werner responded roughly \$87,000.00. The TIF funds could be used to purchase the property. If the board would like to move forward with this they would need to have the village attorney prepare an agreement to be approved.

President Werner asked Clerk Price to swear in Louie Worth Police Department K-9 Therapy Dog. His handler will be School Resource Officer Cozzi. Superintendent Fleming stated that the School and the village work well together and the position of School Resource Officer is a good thing for the Village.

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President Werner stated on the consent agenda is to advise and consent to Village President's appointment of Danny McGuire to the Police & Fire Commission with a term to expire on April 30, 2023. The Police & Fire Commission hires police officers and is a very important position. Danny is a former police officer and a professor. Without any objection this will remain on the consent agenda.

VILLAGE CLERK

Clerk Price stated that on the consent agenda is to approve the plans for the March 1, 2022 renewal for Medical, Dental and Life. Clerk Price announced that today we received a lower premium. These are the same plans that we have had for several years. Without any objection this will remain on the consent agenda.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Trustee Ryan stated that on the consent agenda is to approve the bill list dated January 18 in the amount of \$258,091.78. Without any objection this will remain on the consent agenda.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Trustee Kats submitted the Police report for the month of December. The Worth Police have made 26 criminal arrests, logged 12,358 miles, and had a 1,122 total events in the month of December.

Trustee Kats announced the Worth Police Department K-9 fundraiser, to be held on January 29, from 6-11 p.m. at the Garden Chalet, tickets are \$30.00 per person, and raffles will be available at the event.

Trustee Kats stated on February 6 from 7- noon will be the Worth Fraternal Order of Police Pancake Breakfast fundraiser to be held at the Marrs Meyer American Legion Hall.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE/BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

In the absence of Trustee Urban, Superintendent Demonbreun stated that ME Simpson is performing the annual leak survey. This is to help reduce our unaccounted water loss.

Superintendent Demonbreun submitted the water report for the month of December. The water samples were tested on December 8 and 20 by the Water Department and were found to be satisfactory, according to the testing analysis performed by Envirotest/Perry Labs Inc.

BUILDING/LICENSING/ORDINANCES

Trustee Dziedzic stated that the REDB denied the request for a Community Service Office at 11302 S. Harlem. The REDB denied the applicant because she wanted to do more things than the REDB application had on it. Hiam Hmadan stated that she is looking to open a community service office. Trustee Packwood explained that we already have a community service business Al Nahda. Hiam stated that she would like to have Covid testing and would do CEDA applications, the board questioned the parking and the services that she would like to do. Hiam stated that she is just going to do CEDA program as on the original REDB application. The board stated that it needs to go back in front of the REDB on February 7.

Trustee Dziedzic stated that on the consent agenda is to adopt Ordinance 2022-01 An Ordinance approving a Special Use to establish and operate an Accounting Office at 11324 S. Harlem Avenue, Worth, Illinois. Trustee Dziedzic stated they will be by appointment and need 2 – 3 parking spaces. Without any objection this will remain on the consent agenda.

Trustee Dziedzic stated that on the consent agenda is to adopt Ordinance 2022-02 An Ordinance granting Variances to Section 5-3 and 5-5 of the Village of Worth Municipal Code to allow the construction of a detached garage structure on the property located at 11218 S. Ridgeland Avenue, Worth, Illinois. This is for the School District, they will remove a garage at 111th & Oak Park and build a garage at 11218 S. Ridgeland. Without any objection this will remain on the consent agenda.

Commissioner Zartler submitted the building department report. Commissioner Zartler stated that the total dollar amount collected in December 2021 was \$7,419.00 total administrative fees collected was \$530.00, and the building department issued 19 permits for the month of December. The total dollar amount collected in December 2020 was \$4,580.00, total administrative fees collected was \$640.00, and the building department issued 30 permits for the month of December.

BUSINESS LICENSES

Trustee Muersch Jr. stated on the consent agenda is to approve business license application request from business owner Mohammad Ramahi to open Eve Boutique DBA Eve Boutique located at 11326 S. Harlem Avenue. They will not need to do any remodeling. She had an online business and does collect sales tax. Without any objection this will remain on the consent agenda.

Trustee Muersch Jr. stated on the consent agenda is to approve business license application request from business owner Hami Alhouary to open Star Accounting located at 11324 S. Harlem Avenue. Without any objection this will remain on the consent agenda.

Trustee Muersch Jr. stated on the consent agenda is to approve business license application request from business owner Scott Vo to open Vegas Nail located at 10658 S. Harlem Avenue. This was a nail salon. Without any objection this will remain on the consent agenda.

GOLF COURSE

Trustee Packwood stated that it is going good with Orion Management. Orion is in town today and tomorrow working with staff. Grounds Manager Matt McDonald accepted the position with Orion. Trustee Packwood stated that she is working with Attorney Jones to get the sign agreement for Water's Edge.

MOTION TO ESTABLISH THE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Trustee Packwood seconded by Trustee Dziedzic to establish the consent agenda. A roll call followed. Ayes: A roll call followed. Ayes: Trustee Ryan, Muersch Jr., Kats, Packwood, and Dziedzic (5). Nays: (0). Absent: Urban (1). Abstain: (0). Motion carried

Consent Agenda
January 18, 2022

Approve the meeting minutes from January 4, 2022

To advise and consent to Village President's appointment of Danny McGuire to the Police & Fire Commission with a term to expire on April 30, 2023

Approve the plans for the March 1, 2022 renewal for Medical, Dental and Life

Approve the bill list dated January 18 in the amount of \$258,091.78

Adopt Ordinance 2022-01 An Ordinance approving a Special Use to establish and operate an Accounting Office at 11324 S. Harlem Avenue, Worth, Illinois

Adopt Ordinance 2022-02 An Ordinance granting Variances to Section 5-3 and 5-5 of the Village of Worth Municipal Code to allow the construction of a detached garage structure on the property located at 11218 S. Ridgeland Avenue, Worth, Illinois

Approve business license application request from business owner Mohammad Ramahi to open Eve Boutique DBA Eve Boutique located at 11326 S. Harlem Avenue. This license is contingent upon having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances

Approve business license application request from business owner Hami Alhouary to open Star Accounting located at 11324 S. Harlem Avenue. This license is contingent upon having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances

Approve business license application request from business owner Scott Vo to open Vegas Nail located at 10658 S. Harlem Avenue. This license is contingent upon having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances

Direct the Village Attorney to prepare an agreement regarding the TIF incentive request from Assad Amir on the property located at 6435 W. 111th Street

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Trustee Ryan seconded by Trustee Muersch Jr. to establish the consent agenda. A roll call followed. Ayes: Trustee Ryan, Muersch Jr., Kats, Packwood, and Dziejdzic (5). Nays: (0). Absent: Urban (1). Abstain: (0). Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A resident asked about the incident on 111th Street and how will this be prevented now, the bar has a lot of problems, it attracts a bad element. President Werner stated that she has a meeting with the liquor license holder tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Muersch Jr. moved seconded by Trustee Packwood to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:58 p.m. A roll call followed. Ayes: Trustee Ryan, Muersch Jr., Kats, Packwood, and Dziejdzic (5). Nays: (0). Absent: Urban (1). Abstain: (0). Motion carried

Bonnie M. Price, CMC
Village Clerk