

APPROVED MINUTES

VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES – REGULAR MEETING
Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois
Municipal Building: 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002
April 10, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gartner called the April 10, 2024 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:10 pm at the Antioch Municipal Building located at 874 Main Street, Antioch, IL and via Zoom.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Trustees were present: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen. Also present were Mayor Gartner, Administrator Guttschow, Attorney Vasselli and Clerk Romine. Absent: Trustee Pierce.

III. Absent Trustees Wishing to Attend Remotely

There were no Trustees wishing to attend remotely.

IV. Mayoral Report

Mayor Gartner acknowledged National Telecommunicator's Week, Autism Awareness Month, and Child Abuse Prevention Month. He also sent his condolences to the Hanson family on the recent passing on Mrs. Hanson. He recognized Chief Guttschow's son Jeffrey Starck for his recent heroic activities in saving a bus.

Mayor Gartner recognized Antioch Pizza for their recent win in the Chicago Pizza Madness Competition. The competition started with 68 pizzerias from I-80 to the Illinois/Wisconsin border. Karen Wicklein thanked those who voted and said they are proud to be a part of Antioch.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Board

Ms. Julie Pasqua, Lillian Place resident, shares a southern property line with the Kia Development. She said residents of Little Silver Lake are concerned with the condition and protection of the lake. Little Silver Lake was deemed as one of the cleanest lakes in Illinois and they want to protect it. She is also concerned with traffic and wants to work together to make sure the lake is not damaged, and wildlife is protected.

Mr. Tony Losinger, resident of Antioch and environmental teacher at ACHS, discussed solar power and electronic vehicles (EVs). He said we only have cold power in this region which can power EVs, much less pollution from solar power, and sees this as an improvement from where we are currently.

Mr. Terry Harrison, Township resident in East Loon Lake subdivision, said his big concern with the proposed development is with the lake.

V. Consent Agenda

Trustee Bluthardt moved, seconded by Trustee Burman to approve the following consent agenda items as presented:

1. **Approval of the March 13, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented**
2. **Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Administrator to execute a contract with Advantage AVL to provide new bandshell lighting for the Village of Antioch in the amount of \$29,100 - Resolution No. 24-22**
3. **Approval of a Resolution authorizing a special event liquor license for the Village of Antioch Summer Wine Walk on June 8, 2024, waiving all fees – Resolution No. 24-23**
4. **Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Administrator to execute an agreement with Imperial Surveillance in the amount of \$26,768.99 for installation of Door Access Controls at the Open Space Development located at Main St. and Orchard St - Resolution No. 24-24**

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5. **Approval of an Ordinance Granting a Special Use for an Electronic Message Board to be located at Fire Station #1 at the property commonly known as 835 Holbek Drive – Ordinance No. 24-04-20**
6. **Approval of an Ordinance Granting a Variance to allow for an 18.0 Square-Foot Electronic Message Board Sign for the Antioch Fire Protection District located at 835 Holbek – Ordinance No. 24-04-21**
7. **Approval of an Ordinance authorizing and approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Lake Villa and the Board of Education of Antioch CCSD #34 and the Village of Antioch (Shared Use of a School Resource Officer) – Ordinance No. 24-04-22**
8. **Approval of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Northeastern Illinois Regional Crime Laboratory (INRCL) for Forensic Services and Resources - Resolution No. 24-25**

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VI. Regular Business

9. Consideration and approval to ratify payment of the March 27, 2024 accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of \$1,370,821.19 – Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve payment of accounts payable in the amount of \$1,370,821.19. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

10. Consideration and approval of payment of accounts payable as prepared by staff in the amount of \$173,501.24 – Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve payment of accounts payable in the amount of \$173,501.24. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

11. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance Annexing certain real property to the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois (Brown 173 LLC – 22950 W IL Route 173) - Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Bluthardt, to approve **Ordinance No. 24-04-23** annexing certain real property to the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois (Brown 173 LLC – 22950 W IL Route 173), waiving the second reading. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

12. Consideration and approval of a Resolution granting a final plat of subdivision for property located in the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois (Brown 173 LLC – 22950 W IL Route 173) - Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Bluthardt, to approve **Resolution No. 24-26** annexing certain real property to the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois (Brown 173 LLC – 22950 W IL Route 173). Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

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13. Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement between the Village of Antioch and William Morris Endeavor Entertainment, LLC – Trustee Bluthardt moved, seconded by Trustee Burman, to approve **Resolution No. 24-27** authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement between the Village of Antioch and William Morris Endeavor Entertainment, LLC. Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

14. Consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing change orders and costs associated with the Open Space Development at Main Street and Orchard Street related to the installation of an activation bollard for the splash pad and the integration of the existing irrigation system South of Orchard Street into the new control system for the Open Space Development irrigation system in the amount of \$12,524 – Trustee McNeill moved, seconded by Trustee Pedersen, to approve **Resolution No. 24-28** authorizing change orders and costs associated with the Open Space Development at Main Street and Orchard Street related to the installation of an activation bollard for the splash pad and the integration of the existing irrigation system South of Orchard Street into the new control system for the Open Space Development irrigation system in the amount of \$12,524.

Trustee Macek asked what this does. Administrator Guttschow said this is the integration of the existing irrigation system, and will tie those areas into the new control system so it can be seamless and operate as one system. He added that an activation bollard will eliminate a timed program, and will allow use of the feature when users are present. Trustee Macek discussed the water use of the system. Administrator Guttschow said there is a maximum flow rate, which can be controlled by the Village. Trustee Macek discussed the water coming from the feature. Chief Guttschow discussed various options for the splash pad. Director Heimbrodt added that it is the same water that serves a house. Trustee Macek's concern is with how much water is pumped out, and potential impact to the aquifers.

Mayor Gartner discussed a conversation he had with the Lakota Group where these concerns were raised. He said they will be available at the next Committee Meeting to address these concerns with the company that installs the system. This was recommended by the Chief and current administration to allow more control of when the water is used rather than operating it on a timer.

Trustee Pedersen reiterated that the Village will control how much water is pumped through the jets, the hours of operation, and added that that nothing coming out of those jets wouldn't be clean. She brought up previous discussions on the babbling brook, and the extensive additional cost of recirculating the water.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill and Pedersen.

NO: 1: Macek.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

15. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance granting a Special Use for an Electronic Message Board to be located at Antioch Community High School at the property commonly known as 1133 Main Street – Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee McNeill, to approve **Ordinance No. 24-04-24** granting a special use for an Electronic Message Board to be located at Antioch Community High School at the property commonly known as 1133 Main Street, waiving the second reading.

Trustee Bluthardt asked about the colored images, and verified that the only variance approved at this time is the size of the sign.

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Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 5: Burman, Bluthardt, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 0.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

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16. Consideration and approval of an Ordinance Granting a Variance to allow for an 18.0 square-foot electronic message board sign for the Antioch Community High School located at the property commonly known as 1133 Main Street - Trustee Pedersen moved, seconded by Trustee Macek, to approve **Ordinance No. 24-04-25** granting a Variance to allow for an 18.0 square-foot electronic message board sign for the Antioch Community High School located at the property commonly known as 1133 Main Street, waiving the second reading.

Trustee Bluthardt wants to work with fellow government agencies, but said he doesn't like the fact that they built this first and then came in for approval. He will be objecting to this ordinance based on that fact.

Trustee Burman said she agrees, but hopes in the future this doesn't happen again.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

YES: 4: Burman, McNeill, Macek and Pedersen.

NO: 1: Bluthardt.

ABSENT: 1: Pierce.

THE MOTION CARRIED.

VII. Administrator's Report

Administrator Guttschow provided an update on the open space project, stating that there have been some delays with the recent rains, and we may see a shift in the future of the substantial completion date. He said staff continues to work towards a recommendation for construction manager for Village Hall and Public Works facilities, and recently completed interviews with 3 of the responding firms. Administrator Guttschow said staff met with the property owner at Consume dispensary, and permits have been released for the project to begin. He discussed employee evaluation forms that have been developed. He discussed a meeting he had today with Hitchcock design regarding the parks master plan, and how to better position the Village for OSLAD grants. A top priority for the grant is Centennial Park and the Pedersen Park parcel off of Route 59 and creating connectivity from Heron Harbor to that parcel. He discussed a recent new hire for the Aquatic/Recreation Program supervisor Alison Hurtado. Mayor Gartner added that all of the names have been submitted for the new park, and the names will go to the Park Board to narrow the list to the top 5.

VIII. Village Clerk's Report

Clerk Romine announced that Spring Clean-up day is scheduled for Thursday, April 25. Residents must have items curbside by 6am.

IX. Department Reports: Community Development, Finance, Police

Business Development Manager Mark Sural provided an update on incoming businesses to town, including the Polished Patina, Peanut Butter Pig, Antioch Fine Art Gallery, the Lodge expansion, and 15 Lakes Prime Steakhouse. Director Garrigan discussed the proposed Starbucks for Route 59, which will be discussed at the next Planning and Zoning Board meeting. He also advised of the application for a new cannabis facility in the vacant Edward Jones space for a previously approved location. Director Garrigan advised the board that he will be bringing façade guidelines forward at a future Committee of the Whole meeting to address timing challenges, and historic design standards. He added that he is in preliminary discussions with staff on streetscape improvements for Main Street, and is also working with staff on adding native plantings on Toft Street. He said he applied for a Certified Local Government Status with the IL Preservation agency, which will provide benefits for the Historical Preservation Commission, and is optimistic that the Village will qualify for this status.

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Finance Director Torres, provided an update on the budget book, stating that her staff is putting together the comprehensive budget book, and proactively getting ready for the audit period May 1 through August. She added that they will have an upgrade on the budget application software which is free based on our feedback to the vendor.

Police Chief Guttschow discussed the proposed changes to the Field Training Program in order to better align with modern recruits using problem-based learning. This more quickly identifies learning challenges. He provided an update on the Flock Cameras, stating that the poles are scheduled for installation the week of April 15, which is the biggest obstacle at this time. He recently attended an update regarding the dispatch consolidation project, and said things are starting to align, and numbers have come down substantially, and closely mirror current costs. This will be a collaborative approach, and all agencies will have a say in the final product. Chief Guttschow was recently nominated and appointed to the Major Crimes Task Force Executive Board. He asked the Board if they would be open to deviate from the typical squad purchase norms in next budget cycle, stating that the order window closes April 18, so he would like to work with a local dealer who has competitively bid in McHenry. He can engage an order for 30 days, no strings attached. Typically this would be brought forth at a Committee meeting and then a regular meeting for a vote, but would like approval to bring to first Board meeting in May for approval and skip the discussion at the Committee meeting. There were no objections to this request.

X. Trustee Reports

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the Village Board of Trustees regular meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Romine, RMC/CMC
Village Clerk