

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Village of Sauk Village

Board Meeting of the Mayor and Corporate Authorities

Municipal Center

21801 Torrence Avenue

Sauk Village, Illinois

Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

1. Call To Order Mayor Derrick Burgess called the meeting of the Corporate Authorities to order at 7: 03 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Derrick Burgess led the constituency in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, and Williams
Absent: None

Staff Present: Director Finch, Chief Barrett, Chief White, Director Cooper

Others in Attendance: Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt
Atty. Samuelson, HR Consultant, Douglas, Finance Consultant Jones, Eng. Arnold

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Special Board Meetings on December 6, 2022

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Bell seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION:

Motion Carried

- b. Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Committee of the Whole Meeting on December 6, 2022

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Coleman seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried

- c. Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Board Meeting on December 13, 2022

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Williams seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried

- d. Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Special Board Meeting of December 15, 2022

Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Williams seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried

3) PUBLIC COMMENT

- Library Director R. Baig-Williams shared issues with the water billing for the library
- J. Harvey reported on streetlights outage on 223rd/224th and Brookwood and needed street repairs near the park on 224th.
 - Mayor Burgess' Remarks
 - He had received notice of the water bill issue and advised that the problem would be corrected by the end of the week
 - Noted the repairs needed to correct the lights and that the potholes will be looked at

4) REPORTS OF OFFICERS

- a. Mayor - Derrick Burgess:
 - i. Requested that employees and residents wear masks in the building
- b. Village Clerk - Marva Campbell-Pruitt:
 - i. Sought relief for reimbursement of personal funds spent for Holiday Cheer. Much debate ensued including the need for policy/procedures. It was agreed that the Clerk would receive \$950 with the Accounts Payable and the extra \$200 would be reimbursed once the budget line for payment was determined on Friday.
 - ii. Announced the candidates who filed nomination papers
 - iii. Acknowledged the National Law Enforcement Day
 - iv. Informed of the upcoming SEI filing requirements

- c. Village Treasurer – Anthony Finch:
 - i. Reported the cash balances of 12/9/2022 (Unrestricted \$4,588,308 – Restricted \$364,849)
 - ii. Reported that the \$750,000 requested from the Water Fund had not been used as tax dollars are arriving.
- d. Corporation Counsel – Amber Samuelson, Ancel Glink had no report
- e. Village Engineer –Melanie Arnold, Robinson Engineering had no report

5) REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

- a. Police Department - Chief Malcolm White reported:
 - i. Calls for Service 713 Arrests 13
 - ii. Provided an update on Shop with a Cop
 - iii. Announced Hyundai Corporate Funding
 - iv. Announced Chat with the Chief on January 19th at 6:00 p.m.
- b. Fire Department – Chief Stephen Barrett reported:
 - i. Calls for Service 118 No Fires were reported, the “Wreath” remained red
 - ii. Announced a Valentine’s Day Dance
 - iii. Announced the Fire House opening 24hr in case of needed shelter
 - iv. Announce the pending retirement of Dennis Synowiec
- c. Finance Department – Director Dr. Viviann Jones, Consultant requested approval of accounts payable and payroll for \$787,392.52
- d. Director of Operations – Director Anthony Finch had no report but provided general information pertaining to cold patching, lights repairs and employee training
- e. Community Development – Director Antonio Cooper read a report on funds received and the Roof Program. He was asked to submit a written report.

6) REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

- a. Public Health & Safety - Trustee Gary Bell reported that he is waiting for committee members. He questions the spending freeze as it was not approved by Trustees and done properly.
- b. Public Services - Trustee Aretha Burns announced a meeting on January 18th at 7:00 p.m.
- c. Ordinance Review - Trustee Arnold Coleman announced the next meeting on January 23rd He explained why he provided refreshments to the committee.
- d. Budget, Finance & Audit - Trustee Rodrick R. Grant requested the Budget to Actuals report and for an update on the audit.
- e. Housing and Intergovernmental Relations - Trustee Sherry Jasinski had no report
- f. Community Development - Trustee Debra Williams requested Sauk Talk articles and shared the lack of participation for the Blood Drive

7) REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

- a. Senior Advisory Committee – Chairman Emmett Farmer announced the next meeting on Thursday
- b. Fire and Police Commission – Chairman Francine Anderson was not present
- c. Zoning Board of Appeals Commission – Chairman Charles Pondexter was not present

8) PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

9) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10) NEW BUSINESS

a. Financial Matters:

- i. Approve Transfers, Payroll and Accounts Payable Distributions in the Combined Amount of \$787,392.52, and authorize the Finance Department to Remit Payments

Comment: No funds were transferred and the \$750,000 was not touched. Must transfer \$500,000 into the general fund from the Drug Seizure Fund

Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Jasinski seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, and Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION:

Motion Carried

b. PETITIONS, AGREEMENTS, AND ACTION ITEMS

- i. Motion to Override the Mayor's Veto of an Ordinance Authorizing Retention of Legislative Special Counsel

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Bell seconded

A motion to recess was made at 8:45 by Trustee Grant and seconded by Trustee Williams to address the unreadiness of how to manage the abstention when a two-thirds vote is needed to pass a vote, and to allow the Attorney to research. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting reconvened at 8:56 with a motion by Trustee Williams and a second by Trustee Grant. The motion was approved unanimously.

On Roll Call (REVISED)

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: Trustees: Burns, Grant

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTION: Trustee Coleman (vote was changed to Aye)

Motion Carried

- ii. Motion to Override the Mayor's Veto of a Resolution Appointing Odelson, Sterk, Murphy, Frazier & McGrath, Ltd to the Position of Legislative Counsel

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Bell seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Coleman, Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: Trustee Burns, Grant

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried

- iii. Motion to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement Between The Village of Sauk Village and RTA for a \$50,000 Sidewalk Grant.

Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Jasinski seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried

- iv. Motion to Approve CERA Solution to be the Design Engineering Firm For the Sauk Trail & Torrence Avenue Pedestrian Improvement

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Grant seconded

On Roll Call

AYES: Trustees: Bell, Burns, Coleman, Grant, and Jasinski, Williams

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried

c. ITEMS TO BE ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE WITH THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

- i. Veto Messages to the Board Concerning An Ordinance Authorizing Retention of Legislative Special Counsel Approved and Adopted on November 22, 2022
- ii. Veto Messages to the Board Concerning A Resolution Appointing Odelson, Sterk, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, Ltd. to the Position of Legislative Counsel Approved and Adopted on November 22, 2022

11) EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

- a. Mayor Burgess called for a motion to recess to Closed Session at 9:08 p.m. to discuss Personnel Matters and to Review Executive Board Minutes,
- b. Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Williams seconded the motion. The roll call vote was unanimous

The Meeting reconvened at 9:53 p.m.

12) GENERAL COMMENTS FROM MAYOR BURGESS

NONE

13) ADJOURNMENT

Having completed the business of the day, Mayor Burgess called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Coleman seconded. On roll call, the motion carried unanimously.

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Village Clerk

/s/Derrick Burgess, Mayor