

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES**

**April 19, 2016**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Abbott called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Abbott opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Abbott asked for a roll call. Roll call revealed the following trustees present: Eidam, Kapteyn, Skrbina, Manno and DeLaurentis. Trustee Stole was absent with notice.

### **MINUTES**

Mayor Abbott asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the April 5, 2016, Committee of the Whole meeting. Mayor Abbott asked for a roll call and the minutes were accepted as presented.

### **DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **A. Intergovernmental Agreement with South Suburban Land Bank Development Authority**

Mr. Travis Bandstra, Director of Economic Development (SSLBDA), presented the Intergovernmental Agreement between the South Suburban Land Bank & Development Authority and the Village of Lansing in order for the village to proceed with the acquisition of certain properties through abandonment proceedings. After the abandonment proceedings, the properties will be deeded to the land bank.

Mr. Bandstra explained the proposed properties have either been abandoned, have not been maintained, are not pending foreclosure and are without bank interest. In order to rectify the situation, the SSLBDA will proceed to improve property values, help to reduce blight and encourage economic development in the community. There are no costs to the village and the SSLBDA is responsible for all incurred expenses.

Mayor Abbott asked for trustee questions. There were none. Mayor Abbott indicated the Intergovernmental Agreement will be included on the next board meeting agenda.

**B. Village Board Meeting Schedule**

Mayor Abbott presented a suggestion to change the time of the Village Board Meetings from 7:30 pm to 7:00 pm. He added he had spoken with absent Trustee Stole who was in agreement with the time change. Mayor Abbott proceeded asking each trustee of their agreement or disagreement to the time change. All present trustees were in agreement of changing the ordinance to indicate the village board meetings will commence at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Abbott announced the ordinance would be presented at the next village board meeting, and the new meeting time would become effective May 17, 2016.

**C. Amending Chapter 16, Business & Business Regulations (Rental Housing Program)**

Mr. Timothy Lapp, Village Attorney, explained the village is required to amend Chapter 16, Business and Business Regulations, Article XIII.-“Lansing Rental Program” by adding Sec. 16-624, entitled “Exemptions”. He continued explaining the exemption of domestic violence calls, domestic battery and disability from enforcement or eviction of a landlord.

Mayor Abbott asked the amendment be included on the next board meeting’s agenda.

**D. Ordinance 16-018 – Amendment to Chapter 30 “Solid Waste”**

Treasurer, Arlette Frye, introduced Ordinance 16-018, an amendment to Chapter 30, “Solid Waste” explaining the amendment is a housekeeping clarification. She continued explaining the amendment allows the village sole and exclusive authority to contract for the removal of garbage and recycling from all single family residences and multi-family residences with less than three units within the village.

Mayor Abbott indicated Ordinance 16-018 will be placed on the agenda for the next board meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Michael Hersom, 3137 178<sup>th</sup> Street, Lansing, Illinois, inquired whether a specific property was included on the list of properties included in the Intergovernmental Agreement with the South Suburban Land Bank and was informed the property was included.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:50 p.m., Mayor Abbott asked for a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Trustee DeLaurentis so moved.

Trustee Kapteyn seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Kooyenga  
Lansing Village Clerk  
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