

**MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
OSWEGO VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OSWEGO VILLAGE HALL  
100 PARKERS MILL, OSWEGO, ILLINOIS  
February 5, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Gail E. Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Physically Present: President Gail Johnson and Trustees Ryan Kauffman (attended at 6:20 p.m.), Karin McCarthy-Lange, Pam Parr, Luis Perez (attended at 6:28 p.m.), Judy Sollinger and Joe West.

Staff Present: Dan Di Santo, Village Administrator; Christina Burns, AVA/HR Director; Tina Touchette, Village Clerk; Jeff Burgner, Police Chief; Jennifer Hughes, Public Works Director; Rod Zenner, Community Development Director; Corinna Cole, Economic Development Director; Julie Hoffman, Special Events Coordinator; Harry Bell, Administrative Intern; and Marron Mahoney, Village Attorney.

**CONSIDERATION OF AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS ON-ANY REQUESTS FOR ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION IN MEETING**

There was no one who participated electronically.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Public Forum was opened at 6:00 p.m. There was no one who requested to speak; the Public Forum was closed at 6:00 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

F.1. Strategic Collaboration: Oswego Police Department & Kendall County Health Department

Chief Burgner and Dr. Tokars addressed the Board regarding services to the community. Over the years, the Oswego Police Department (OPD) and the Kendall County Health Department (KCHD) have collaborated on numerous topics to provide comprehensive services to the community as well as employee growth in personal and public mental and behavioral health. They provided an overview of the different initiatives and training that the two departments have collaborated on over the past year.

Behavioral Health Training- mental health training and developing staff; rely heavily on Dr. Tokars and KCHD staff; able to see what KCHD is seeing locally; trends and cases.

- Mental Training
- Development Disabilities
- Substance Addiction
- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Post-Traumatic Stress/Self Care

Violence Prevention Training- OPD provides KCHD with training on violence in the workplace; educates KCHD staff; equips them with options at no cost to the Village.

- Violence Prevention
- ALICE Training
- Self Defense for Women

Behavioral Health Case Review- community member may have a need beyond OPD expertise; State's Attorney also provides training; handling properly and legally; consultation with KCHD to provide help to the patient; communicate regularly regarding developmental disability.

- Petition Criteria
- Mental Illness
- Development Disability

Critical Incidents- officers subjected to stresses and mental anguish; try to monitor and engage; KCHD will come out and conduct a stress debrief with all who may want to join; inclusive process; very beneficial and engaging; officers can be reluctant; services provided at no direct cost.

- Critical Incident
- Stress Debriefing

Strategic Leadership Dialogue- developed crisis team for mental health; officers receive training that focuses on mental health component; acknowledge what they are going through; mental health system is not designed to treat everyone; very difficult to get in; conversations complicated; equip officers with Narcan; getting treatment they need; different programs out there; giving tools to officers to do their work; number one concern is getting people into treatment; working on strategies to get people into treatment; safety net strategies; officers go to violence training at KCHD; helping to fill in the gaps.

- Mental Health Access to Care
- Opioid Crisis & Field Navigation
- Violence Prevention Strategies

Embedded Behavioral Health Treatment- partnership within the OPD facility; no interruption to OPD staff; resources at OPD that they wouldn't have otherwise; beautiful space in the KCHD office at the OPD; people appreciate the location and times; nice experience; very dignified and professional environment to come to; more accessibility; referrals; having staff know that KCHD is there to help; Board of Health meeting being held next month in the training room at OPD; Federal partners used the training room last week.

- Access to Treatment
- Worried Walk-Ins
- Training Space/Community Collaboration

Board and staff discussion focused on very unique relationship with KCHD; showing the Board and community what OPD and KCHD are doing; great collaboration; ALICE training stands for Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate; education and choices; not everyone is going to react the same way; mental illness stats are staggering; 1 in 5 adults have a mental illness; suicide prevention; opioid addiction. There will be another presentation down the road. Dr. Tokars provided the Board and staff with a flyer for family centered prevention; grief support for families; suicide rate is up; free support group. Flyer provided dates and times for the support group. There was no further discussion.

## Updates

Director Hughes-

- Updated the Board regarding the current and recent weather.
- Fire hydrant was struck on January 27<sup>th</sup> on Fox Chase Drive North causing massive amounts of water to flood the area; Public Works staff responded very quickly and was able to limit the boil order to six houses instead of the entire west side of town.
- Frozen service lines on January 30<sup>th</sup>- Public Works staff assisted plumbers and residents with frozen or ruptured water lines.
- Salt reserves- all excess salt, at Montgomery, has been used; staff is seeking out pricing should they need to purchase more; staff will keep the Board updated.
- Intergovernmental Agreement with Kendall County and Montgomery regarding a traffic signal at Galena Road and Concord Drive- bids were opened; bid came in under engineering estimates; will be awarding the bid.
- Washington Street traffic signal- met with IDOT last week regarding the Village's request to install traffic signals on Washington Street at Main and Harrison Streets; still do not meet IDOT warrants for signals, but IDOT provided a path for getting the signals based on all the new development coming to downtown; IDOT wants business, resident and commuter input; IDOT wants to avoid approving signals that are later criticized by the public; in 1999 IDOT approved the Main Street signal and then the downtown business owners objected

due to lost parking; IDOT authorized preliminary engineering on two intersections to show the traffic signal design; traffic tables cannot be installed because Washington Street is a State highway; moving US Highway 34 traffic to Orchard Road would require a full blown study and the maintenance of the US Highway 34 bridge would need to be maintained by the Village; would be a several year process; will still need to do studies; issue with railroad crossings; crossings would need to connect to the traffic signals; could create a quiet zone; did study from Benton Street to the Civic Center, Jackson Street, Adams Street and driveways; feasible with the volume; \$1.2 million in improvements needed; certain streets would need to be one-way streets; need to add active crossings with all tied into the traffic signals; railroad and traffic signals need to be tied together; designing for safety.

- Reserve at Hudson Crossing development parking issues- IDOT will not allow the use of perpendicular parking on the side streets; staff is working with IDOT to resolve.
- Block 11- engineering plans are in and being reviewed; permits are in process.

Director Cole-

- Communications initiative to stakeholders in downtown- reaching out to businesses to hear about their suggestions and concerns for construction; sent letters, multiple emails and a survey; scheduling meetings and working on the most efficient ways to provide updates; incorporating feedback; reaching out to even wider audiences to communicate about the downtown; holding open houses and other opportunities to meet with residents, businesses, and community members; updated information circulating via website and printed materials; make construction an exciting time for the community; commit to keeping everyone informed and prepared.
- Luna Fest- this Saturday at 3:00 p.m. at Village Hall; short movies for women, by women starts at 4:00 p.m.; tickets are available on Event Bright; \$23.00 ahead of time/\$25.00 at the door; food and beverages will be available.
- Celebrate Differences and Pinch of Happiness is hosting Chocolate Walk, in the downtown, this Saturday from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

No other updates were provided.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

There was no Closed Session held.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Tina Touchette  
Village Clerk