

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OSWEGO VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OSWEGO VILLAGE HALL  
100 PARKERS MILL, OSWEGO, ILLINOIS  
June 22, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Troy Parlier called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**ROLL CALL**

Board Members Physically Present: President Troy Parlier; Trustees Tom Guist, Kit Kuhrt, James Marter II, Terry Olson, Jennifer Jones Sinnott and Brian Thomas.

Staff Physically Present: Dan Di Santo, Village Administrator; Christina Burns, Asst. Village Administrator; Tina Touchette, Village Clerk; Jeff Burgner, Police Chief; Jennifer Hughes, Public Works Director; Rod Zenner, Community Development Director; Mark Horton, Finance Director; Scott McMaster, ED Director; Jenette Sturges, Community Engagement Coordinator, Marketing; Susan Quasney, Project Engineer; and Karl Ottosen, Village Attorney; and Douglas Dorando, Village Attorney.

**RECOGNITIONS/APPOINTMENTS**

E.1 Planning & Zoning Commission

Appoint Judy Sollinger for a Term to Expire October 6, 2021

A motion was made by Trustee Thomas and seconded by Trustee Marter II to Appoint Judy Sollinger for a Term to Expire October 6, 2021.

Aye: Tom Guist	Kit Kuhrt
James Marter II	Terry Olson
Jennifer Jones Sinnott	Brian Thomas

Nay: None

The motion was declared carried by a roll call vote with six (6) aye votes and zero (0) nay votes.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Public Forum was opened at 7:13 p.m.

Garry Lewis addressed the Board regarding an invalid warrant for his arrest; police arrested him; sons harassed by officers; confederate flag on a pick-up truck; Portillo's incident and no arrest; annual PD report needs to be corrected to reflect correct stats; blacks being stopped for traffic stops; tired of the us versus them mentality by the Police Department.

There was no one else who requested to speak. The Public Forum was closed at 7:18 p.m.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Director Horton provided an update to the 2021 bond issuance. He is finishing up statements; Moody call on Thursday; they usually affirm the bond rating; posting on July 5<sup>th</sup>; selling on 7/15; delivery of bonds the week of August 9<sup>th</sup>; should be finished within 90 days of delivery.

G.1 Approve MC Squared as the Vendor for the Electricity Aggregation Program

Director Horton provide information on the aggregation program. Following the passage of a voter referendum in the March 2012 election, the Village initiated an electric aggregation program. The “opt out” electric aggregation program allows the Village to bid the purchase of the combined electric supply of its residents and small businesses to secure the most favorable terms for residents’ electricity supply for their home billing. Regardless of the supplier, ComEd continues to deliver the energy and to bill participants in the program. All residents and small business (who have not previously selected their own supplier) are automatically enrolled, unless they choose to opt out (at no cost). All residents continue to be billed by ComEd. All residents pay the exact same ComEd default rate. The program has zero additional costs. Residents may opt out and leave the program at any time for any reason and will never be charged an early termination fee. Ratepayers who have already contracted with another supplier on their own are not included in the program, but could choose to opt in.

NIMEC recently tested the market to confirm that a fixed rate lower than ComEd’s continues to be unavailable. (The Village has worked with NIMEC since 2012 and has developed a good working relationship over the 9 years.) The current program features a rate for residents that would match exactly the ComEd rate. The current program features 100% renewable energy. Unfortunately, recent changes in the marketplace make a renewal of this unavailable. Instead, our current supplier is offering a renewal with the required amount of renewable energy to maintain the Village’s Green Power Partner status at the EPA or MC Squared and is offering a civic payment in lieu of any renewable energy of \$20,000. There is no restriction on how this civic contribution is used.

Board and staff discussion focused on only two companies bid this year; renewal is for one year; no renewable options; Village re-bids every year; how many opt out every year; 60-70% stay in the program; residents will be notified. Staff directed to move forward with the program.

Administrator Di Santo noted the cribs level is 25 feet measured. Thinking of the folks in Naperville & Woodridge due to the recent tornado; Building & Zoning inspectors were sent and three Public Works staff were sent with a chipper; proud of staff and directors; thank you to the Board for allowing us to send staff.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- H.1 June 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole Minutes
- H.2 June 8, 2021 Regular Village Board Minutes
- H.3 Resolution Approving an Agreement for Student Internship/Externships with Northern Illinois University.
- H.4 Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the United City of Yorkville Regarding Joint Employment of a Purchasing Manager.
- H.5 Resolution Authorizing the Village of Oswego to Withdraw from Participation in the Illinois Municipal Insurance Cooperative (IMIC) Effective January 1, 2022.
- H.6 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract With D Construction Inc. in the Amount of \$1,882,174.60 for the 2021 Alley and Street Resurfacing Project.

A motion was made by Trustee Marter II and seconded by Trustee Guist to approve the Consent Agenda; Approving the June 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole Minutes; Approving the June 8, 2021 Regular Village Board Minutes and approving the following resolutions:

**Resolution No. 21-R-52;** Resolution Approving an Agreement for Student Internship/Externships with Northern Illinois University.

**Resolution No. 21-R-53;** Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the United City of Yorkville Regarding Joint Employment of a Purchasing Manager.

**Resolution No. 21-R-54;** Resolution Authorizing the Village of Oswego to Withdraw from Participation in the Illinois Municipal Insurance Cooperative (IMIC) Effective January 1, 2022.



The motion was declared carried by a roll call vote with six (6) aye votes and zero (0) nay votes.

### **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

Trustee Olson- shout out to the Highway Department; Bike Bald took in much needed donations for those affected by the tornado in Naperville and Woodridge; he delivered the donations; go to bikebald.com to find out more information on what donations are still needed.

Trustee Kuhrt- glad we were able to help out in Naperville and Woodridge.

Trustee Jones Sinnott- thank you to Director Hughes for the tour on Saturday at the water tower; learned quite a bit; recommend going to the next tour this Saturday; great to hear that staff went to Woodridge; keep up the great work.

Trustee Thomas- sorry what happened in Naperville and Woodridge; with bad comes good. After the last meeting he was thanked for voting no on Hudson Point; 650 rentals are not Oswego; not one person wants this; not good for Oswego; it is our fiduciary responsibility and chance to stop this. Oswego is not a community of rentals; do your homework; we do not have mass transit like other communities. Have a great Independence Day; have a safe and happy holiday.

Trustee Guist- he is a big proponent of the NIU intern program; did not realize we have had this program since 2014; encourage this program; great opportunity and benefit to the Village; pleasantly surprised.

Trustee Marter II- no report.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

He read a Pride Month proclamation.

- Coffee with the Mayor is this Saturday at 8 a.m. at the water tower; water tower holds 1.5 million gallons of water.
- Fireworks on the 4<sup>th</sup> at Prairie Point Park; rain date on July 5th
- Only one meeting in July; July 13th
- Movies in the Park; July 8<sup>th</sup>; Raya and the Last Dragon
- Learned today that a former Trustee, Roy White, passed away yesterday

### **ATTORNEY REPORT**

Attorney Ottosen introduced Attorney Douglas Dorando; he will be a back-up when he cannot attend the Board meetings; Attorney Ottosen may not be here for the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Proud of how Oswego handled the Portillo's incident; he saw the video; appreciate the audience who attended during public forum and transparency used; not an easy event to go through; appreciate keeping the community informed; as the legal counsel to the community and representatives; well done.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

There was no Closed Session held.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Trustee Jones Sinnott and seconded by Trustee Marter II to adjourn the meeting; upon a voice vote with all remaining members present voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Tina Touchette  
Village Clerk