

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OSWEGO VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OSWEGO VILLAGE HALL
100 PARKERS MILL, OSWEGO, ILLINOIS
August 8, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Ryan Kauffman called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m. Terry Kauffman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Terry Kauffman was a Vietnam War Veteran. Terry served in the US Air Force from 1970 to 1976. He trained as a fighter aircraft maintenance technician, Sheppard AFB, and subsequently trained on and flew on B52's and KC-135's throughout his tour in the military. He served overseas in combat support from 1972 - 1974 with the 93rd Bomb Wing and participated in Operation Linebacker II in December 1972, which recorded more than 200 B52's flying 730 sorties over Hanoi and Haiphong and was the largest bombing campaign since World War II. In 1973, he served as a flight crew member of the 8th Air Force Command Crew and flew on missions in Okinawa; Japan; Guam; Thailand; Philippines; and Taiwan. During his time, he was awarded the Vietnam Service Medal; Republic of Vietnam Campaign Gallantry Cross with Palm medal; Air Force Good Conduct medal and National Defense Service medal. He is a lifetime member of the VFW, and he is also my dad.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Physically Present: President Ryan Kauffman; Trustees Tom Guist, Kit Kuhrt, Karin McCarthy-Lange, Karen Novy, Jennifer Jones Sinnott, and Andrew Torres.

Staff Physically Present: Dan Di Santo, Village Administrator; Tina Touchette, Village Clerk; Jennifer Hughes, Public Works Director; Jason Bastin, Interim Chief of Police; Andrea Lamberg, Finance Director; Rod Zenner, Community Development Services Director; Joe Renzetti, IT/GIS Director; Kerry Behr, Project Engineer; Bridget Bittman, Community Relations Manager- Marketing; Kevin Leighty, Economic Development Director; Steve Raasch, Facilities Manager; and Dave Silverman, Village Attorney.

RECOGNITIONS/APPOINTMENTS

D.3 Proclamation - Caden Stagl's Flag as the Honorary Village Flag for August 2023.

President Kauffman asked Caden to come forward and presented him with a full-size flag of the picture he drew so he could take it home with him; a copy of the same flag will be flown outside Village Hall for the month of August 2023; Caden explained what each color and shape on the flag represented. President Kauffman read the proclamation and presented it to Caden. He asked Caden if he wanted to say a few words. Caden said: "I'm very proud of myself and that's all I have to say". Pictures were taken. WGN 9 News reporter and cameraman was present to record the presentation and interviewed Caden after the presentation.

D.1 Employee Service Awards

a) Jose Zavala - 5 Years of Service (Building & Permits Department)

He was unable to attend. President Kauffman congratulated him on his years of service.

b) Tracy Miller - 25 Years of Service (Public Works Department)

He was unable to attend. President Kauffman congratulated him on his years of service.

D.2 Economic Development Commission

a) Appoint Kenneth Holmstrom for a Term to Expire April 30, 2026

A motion was made by Trustee Jones Sinnott and seconded by Trustee McCarthy-Lange to approve the Appointment of Kenneth Holmstrom for a Term to Expire April 30, 2026.

Aye: Tom Guist	Kit Kuhrt
Karin McCarthy-Lange	Karen Novy
Jennifer Jones Sinnott	Andrew Torres

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 7:24 p.m.

Bridget Piekarczyk addressed the Board regarding a collaboration with students for banners that can be hung from downtown light poles with student's art; she is Caden Stagl's teacher; Caden could be the first of many young artists; she will collaborate with the school districts' team; could be a yearly rotating event; could buy their banners after each year to fund the program; would like to start the conversation for "Banner Up Oswego". Administrator Di Santo noted someone from the Village and Cultural Arts would be in touch with her. The banner policy will also be provided to her.

There was no one else who requested to speak. The public forum was closed at 7:28 p.m.

STAFF REPORTS

Director Hughes provided an update to the Harvey and Wolf's Crossing construction. The Devoe intersection should be open at the end of the week; have been meeting regularly with the school district to discuss the impacts; school district sent out notices to those who have parking permits; new traffic pattern; staff continues to work with the contractors on the project moving forward.

CONSENT AGENDA

- G.1 July 18, 2023 Committee of the Whole Minutes
- G.2 July 18, 2023 Regular Village Board Minutes
- G.3 July 18, 2023 Closed Session Minutes, Approve but Not Release
- G.4 Resolution Approving the Temporary Closure of Route 31 for the Oswegoland Park District's Gobbler Hobbler 10K & Mashed Potato Mile.
- G.5 4050 Wolf Crossing Road- Change in Ownership
 - a) Ordinance Amending Title 3 Chapter 7; Decrease Class B-1 Liquor License for Jay Shiv Incorporated d.b.a. Jay's Food and Liquor Located at 4050 Wolf Crossing Road.
 - b) Ordinance Amending Title 3 Chapter 7; Increase Class B-1 Liquor License for Ganesh ARP LLC d.b.a. Wolf Food and Liquor Located at 4050 Wolf Crossing Road.
- G.6 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Three Calendar Year Contract (Two-Year Fiscal Contract) with Midwest Power Industry, Inc. for Generator Preventative Maintenance and Load Bank Testing in the Amount of \$92,345.00.
- G.7 Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a One-Year Contract with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc., in the Amount of \$17,000 for the Native Landscape Planting Maintenance at Police Headquarters.

A motion was made by Trustee Jones Sinnott and seconded by Trustee Torres to approve the Consent Agenda; Approving the July 18, 2023 Committee of the Whole Minutes; and Approving the July 18, 2023 Regular Village Board Minutes; Approving but Not Releasing the July 18, 2023 Closed Session Minutes; and Approving the following ordinances and resolutions:

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Torres- fantastic for Caden and his flag; looking forward to school coming up; thank you to PD for trying out the Apex training system; fantastic potential to help with training; great tool; cool that President Kaufmann's dad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee McCarthy-Lange- excited to see Caden; love to see Cultural Arts work on banners of Oswego; support public art; Apex training system was really fun; thank you to the PD; school starting soon; thank you to Director Hughes for speaking to the school district; concerned with traffic on Roth Road; how many Planning & Zoning members are attending the Planning & Zoning meetings; usually around four members; would like this addressed.

Trustee Guist- Apex training system was immersive; attended Monday Miles at the school district; congratulations for having the Washington Street traffic lights up and working. Director Hughes noted the controller still needs to be changed at Jefferson and Madison; push buttons on recall and are not currently interactive; heated lamps over the LED's will be in around September or October.

Trustee Jones Sinnott- thank you to Interim Chief Bastin with the Apex system; helps make Oswego the 12th safest in the U.S.; great to see employee service awards; she found a golf ball, at the recent golf outing, with the name "Ryan" on it; she gave the golf ball to President Ryan Kauffman.

Trustee Kuhrt- congrats to Tracy on 25 years; thank you to Interim Chief Bastin with the Apex system; attended the concert this past Saturday; lots of residents there; golf outing was something else; awesome we will be flying Caden's flag for the month of August; good discussion on impact fees.

Bridget Bittman updated the Board on upcoming events: Bruce in the USA, Fleetwood Mac Tribute Band, Puss in Boots movie, and Wine Off the Fox.

Trustee Novy- thank you to Community Cares and Kiwanis for handing out 325 backpacks; there are 125 more to hand out; appreciate President Kauffman being out in the community with his kids; thank you to you and your kids; Oswego's Facebook page has been great.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There is an open house tonight at Prescott Mill for the status of the Wolf's Crossing and Harvey Road construction; Apex system was pretty cool; 12th safest in the U.S.; kudos to the PD and the community; great job to Public Works on the downtown traffic lights; come see Caden's flag at Village Hall.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Torres and seconded by Trustee Jones Sinnott to adjourn the meeting; upon a voice vote with all remaining members present voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Tina Touchette
Village Clerk