

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD
BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 1, 2007**

Village President Joe Cook called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll call was taken with Trustees Davidson, Nash, McMillin, Slocum, Militello and Greco were present.

Also present were Village Administrator Jamie Bowden, Village Attorney Justin Fredin, Finance Director Robert Guess, Police Chief William Doster, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Director of Community Development Mike McMahon and Deputy Village Clerk Leti Anselme.

CITIZENS/ SPECIAL REQUESTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Slocum made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Davidson, Nash, McMillin, Slocum, Militello and Greco
NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED**

Items approved at this time are as follows:

- A. Minutes.....Committee Meeting.....September 17, 2007
- B. Minutes.....Board Meeting.....September 17, 2007
- C. Minutes.....Executive Session.....September 17, 2007
- D. Bills List.....October 1, 2007

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- A. **VILLAGE PRESIDENT**
- B. **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**
- C. **FINANCE DEPARTMENT**
**An Ordinance for the Issuance of \$2.5 Million in Bonds
for the Bungalow Road Project**

Finance Director Bob Guess recommends that the Board approve the Issuance of \$2.5 Million in Bonds for the Bungalow Road Project.

Trustee Greco made the motion to approve the Issuance of \$2.5 Million in Bonds for the Bungalow Road Project. Seconded by Trustee McMillin.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Nash, McMillin, Slocum, Militello, Greco and Davidson
NAYS: NONE MOTION CARRIED**

D. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Doster presented Joe Pena with the IACP to provide an update to the Board with the applications that were received to fill the position for Chief of Police.

Mr. Pena stated that 68 resumes were submitted and it has been narrowed down to 18 candidates. He stated that questionnaires were mailed to the candidates and the return date is mid-October. Their goal is in the early part of November the number come down to 6 candidates.

Mr. Pena then discussed where the IACP is at and where they are going. He stated that since the interim Police Chief has been in place, he has been able to make some adjustments in the organizational structure. At this stage all of the interviews have been concluded with the officers. The moral surveys have been returned.

The last item he discussed with the Board was possibly setting up a public hearing to survey the residents in the community. Their thought was about 3 hours on a Saturday morning.

President Cook stated that he felt that the 3 hour span will allow people to come and ask questions and give their opinion on what they are looking for in our police department. He stated that staff will work with the IACP to get the advertisement.

President Cook stated that this not be held as a public hearing, but more of an open house. The business community has to be informed of this event, as well as the residents. President Cook stated that the information for the event can be put on the Village website, on cable, in the paper, etc.

Mr. Pena informed the Board to encourage residents that have approached them in the past to attend the meeting. Chief Doster stated that if the Board feels that the resident may be uncomfortable in the setting, they can email their concern to the Village or set-up a meeting for confidentiality reasons.

Trustee Militello asked if the IACP wants to set this up so people can come in and meet one-on-one so that they could talk privately and if so she feels some female staff should be here to talk to the residents/business owners to let them feel comfortable.

President Cook asked the IACP what it is they have seen in the past with doing this type of event, do people come and complain or is it a mix. Mr. Pena stated that it is more than not favorable, but it gives everyone an opportunity to voice their opinions on how they fell about the police department.

Chief Doster stated that this has to be as open as possible because we want the negative as much as the positive. Mr. Pena stated that he would like to have the open house sometime in November.

Chief Doster stated that he has looked at some of the suggestions that the officers have made. One of the areas that changes have been made was the reporting area. Some of the officers were spending 30 to 40 minutes a day writing paperwork and it was redundant. He is going to see if the reports are missed in 30 days.

President Cook stated that there has been open communication with the officers by getting their input and making them feel comfortable. President Cook stated that he sees that the officer's morals are upbeat and they are part of the process. It has been a positive experience.

Trustee Militello stated that she had attended the Village picnic and said the residents were more comfortable with the Chief of Police. They had informed him that they enjoyed what they were doing. She also thought it was an officer showing his squad car to the kids.

E. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Award Surplus Well Motor and Pump

Dolezal stated that staff recommends a motion to accept the bid from Layne-Western in the amount of \$3,100.00 for a surplus well motor and pump.

Trustee McMillin made the motion to accept the bid from Layne-Western in the amount of \$3,100.00 for a surplus well motor and pump. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

ROLL CALL AYES: Slocum, Militello, Greco, Davidson, Nash and McMillin
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

Morris Hospital Foundation Grant

Dolezal stated that the Village will be receiving a grant from the Morris Hospital Foundation. Morris Hospital was at the meeting to provide the check to the Village for the defibrillators. President Cook thanked Morris Hospital Foundation for the Grant.

F. VILLAGE ATTORNEY

Village Attorney Justin Fredin stated no report.

G. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

A Resolution to Approve an Indemnification Agreement with MCHS

A Resolution to Approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with MCHS

Bowden asked that these both be approved together.

Trustee Davidson made the motion to approve A Resolution to Approve an Indemnification Agreement with MCHS and A Resolution to Approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with MCHS. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

ROLL CALL AYES: McMillin, Militello, Slocum, Greco, Davidson and Nash
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

A Resolution Approving the Highway Permit Agreement with MCHS

Bowden stated that this Resolution is contingent on MCHS execution of the Indemnification Agreement and the Highway Permit with IDOT.

Trustee Davidson made the motion to approve A Resolution Approving the Highway Permit Agreement with MCHS contingent on MCHS execution of the Indemnification Agreement and the Highway Permit with IDOT. Seconded by Trustee Nash.

ROLL CALL AYES: Militello, Slocum, Greco, Davidson, Nash and McMillin
NAYS: NONE **MOTION CARRIED**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Sam Greco – Community and Legislative Affairs and Public Health & Emergency Support – He wanted to thank the CEC for the Channahon Community Picnic which was on Sunday, September 23, 2007. It was a lot of hard work and dedication. He said it was a nice turn out, even though it was warm. President Cook thanked Robin Vaickus for the good job she did.

Trustee Scott McMillin – Public Works – He asked Dolezal if Highland Drive was almost done with the road work. Dolezal stated that paving was going to wait because of the rain. He then asked about Ridge Road. Dolezal stated that the pavement should be done by the end of the week also.

Trustee Debbie Militello – Human Resources – No report.

Trustee Judie Nash – Code Enforcement –No report.

Trustee Gary Davidson – Finance – No report.

Trustee Scott Slocum – Public Safety – He stated that he was glad to see that the high school was putting up the fence. He said now that the road is poured you can notice how close the people’s homes are. He thanked the school board for putting up that fence.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Greco made the motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Nash.

VERBAL VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED

Submitted by
Leticia Anselme
Deputy Village Clerk