

**VILLAGE OF CHANNAHON  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
MARCH 16, 2009**

Village President Joe Cook called the meeting to order at 6:07 with Trustees Davidson, Nash, McMillin, Slocum, Militello, and Greco present.

Also present were Village Administrator Jamie Bowden, Village Attorney Sheri Freeman, Finance Director Robert Guess, Police Chief Joe Pena, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Director of Community Development Mike McMahan, and Village Clerk Missey Schumacher.

**ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT**

**Ordinance Authorizing the Boundary Agreement**

**Extension between the City of Joliet and the Village of Channahon**

Bowden stated that the current boundary agreement with Joliet runs through July, 2009. They have asked that the agreement be extended for 20 additional years. Bowden will have the Village attorney take a look at the agreement and ask to waive the second read at the next meeting.

Trustee McMillin asked if we are comfortable with the Bluff Road area east of I-55 for the next 20 years if the current agreement is extended.

Bowden stated that he has talked to Joliet. They are comfortable with the current boundary. Communication with Joliet has increased with the change in administration. They will be willing to work with us. Bowden stated that without the agreement, Channahon will have no protection on 3 corners. Boundary agreement sets what we can serve and what they can serve. It is to the benefit of both municipalities to have a boundary agreement.

President Cook added that Joliet is not necessarily willing to change anything, but will discuss it. Without an agreement we might put sewer and water service agreements at risk.

Trustee McMillin stated that we were going to make IDI put in all the road improvements. Does Joliet understand that they will be responsible for road use?

Bowden believes that we will now likely get a courtesy call from Joliet. If we have leverage, we can ask that they improve the road.

President Cook stated that Will County has allowed development without improvements. Someone should be responsible for improvements. It is not in Joliet city limits. It is currently unincorporated Will County. The county should ask developers to make improvements.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

### **Southern Crossings Outlot 10/ Merlin Site Plan**

McMahon stated that Southern Crossings Outlot 10 proposes to build a Merlin 200,000 Miles retail outlet. It will be constructed this year. The property is zoned C-3, commercial. The proposed Merlin will be 3,800 sq. ft. while the commercial retail building is proposed at 4,900 sq. ft. This will be built in two phases with the Merlin being Phase 1. Both are considered permitted uses in this zoning district. Parking requirements have been met. Landscape plan has been approved by staff and is sufficient. Lighting requirements have also been met. PZC asked what will happen to the Phase 2 site in the meantime. It will be curbed and seeded. Staff recommends approval conditional on final engineering approval.

Ask for approval contingent on engineering issues resolution. McMahon stated that the applicants are present to answer any questions.

Trustee Militello asked what the contingencies on the engineering approval are.

McMahon stated that they include notes on the plan, mostly fine details. Roads, sewer, etc meet approval.

Trustee Slocum asked if the back of the building will be landscaped since it will face Rt. 6.

Shane Schneider, engineer for the developer stated that it will be sod and seed landscaping. The gas meter, AC, and an electrical transformer will show. The dumpster will be on south side, enclosed in a brick structure with a door facing west. There will be one A/C unit on the ground and it will be screened.

McMahon added that this site sits along the Com Ed easement so that will obstruct the view somewhat.

## **FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

### **Power Point Presentation of the Budget FY 09-10**

Guess presented a Power Point presentation explaining the first half of the FY 09-10 Budget. A copy of the Power Point and revisions have been distributed. A workshop is schedule for April 6<sup>th</sup>. April 20<sup>th</sup> will be the final opportunity for change. Guess stated that he will present the second half of the budget at the next meeting. There will be a public hearing at the regular board meeting and a hearing for amendment. The Board can then vote to approve the budget.

Trustee Slocum asked where the Village is on a rainy day fund.

Guess stated that the Village is at 49% this morning. We have taken the money for programs and made sure they are capital driven only. He credited the Board with that decision. He believes the Village is in fine shape currently.

### **Ordinance for the Morris Hospital Series 2009 Bonds – 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

Guess presented for a 1<sup>st</sup> read, a request to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement for the refinance of the bond issue of Morris Hospital. Approval of the Agreement will be of no cost to the Village of Channahon.

**Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 08-09  
(May 1, 2008 – April 30, 2009) – 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

Guess presented for a 1<sup>st</sup> read and ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 08-09 Budget.

**Ordinance Adopting the Village of Channahon Annual  
Budget for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 (May 1, 2009 – April 30, 2010) – 1<sup>st</sup> Read.**

Guess presented for a 1<sup>st</sup> read an ordinance adopting the Village of Channahon Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2009-2010.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Minooka Fire Range Agreement**

Pena stated that the Village of Minooka has requested the use of our outdoor range. After review by the attorney and updating, a formal agreement between the Village of Channahon and Village of Minooka has been developed. Pena requested the Board approve the agreement authorizing Minooka Police to utilize our outdoor range.

Pena stated that Board members have been given memos to consider. Please call him with any questions or comments.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**Purchase of Electrical Pedestal Covers**

Dolezal stated that the Village has an ongoing program to cover pedestals that service street lights. He is requesting approval for the purchase of 100 additional covers to be installed this summer.

**Waive Certain Bidding Requirements and Award  
Storm Sewer Pipe and Catch Basin Cleaning Contract**

Dolezal stated that certain sewer pipes and catch basins require routine maintenance that the Village cannot do in-house. He solicited proposals from four companies. Visu-Sewer of Bridgeview was the lowest proposal at \$10,000. Dolezal requested that the Board approve the awarding of the contract to Visu-Sewer in the amount of \$10,000, and waive the bidding requirements for this project.

Submitted by  
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Village Clerk