

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
MAY 03, 2010**

Village President Joe Cook called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Trustees Militello, Nash, Papesh, McMillin, Slocum and Greco present.

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

**ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT**

**An Ordinance Amending the Village of Channahon Code of Ordinances  
with Respect to Licensing, Regulating and Taxing Raffles – 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

Bowden stated that he has had discussion with Attorney Silverman and the Village of Bolingbrook regarding an ordinance regulating, licensing and taxing raffles. He presented to the Board a first draft of an ordinance for discussion purposes. If there is support, he will bring the Charity Splits group and Minooka Athletic Boosters back in for discussion.

Silverman stated that the ordinance looks much like Bolingbrook's ordinance and mirrors State law. All raffles would be subject to this ordinance and need to be licensed. Taxes would be collected on machines only. The machines would be easy to monitor because they are computer monitored. The ordinance requires that a charity be named who is to be the beneficiary. A representative of the charity would have to get license. The State considers it matter of local concern.

The Board expressed concern that this ordinance would be burdensome and difficult to manage regarding small groups and one time raffles.

Silverman stated that there is no fee for charitable organizations, but they would have to come in to get licensed. It might be beneficial to have everybody fall within the ordinance for the purpose of regulation. The question is whether or not the Board wants to have Charity Splits type games in liquor establishments.

A poll of the Board concluded to move ahead with an ordinance.

**Illiana Resolution**

Bowden presented a Resolution in support of the Illiana Expressway.

Dolezal explained that WCGL started this resolution to promote the building of the Illiana Expressway because of its effect on the Will County area.

President Cook further explained the legislation and funding associated with this project.

### **March of Dimes March for Babies**

Bowden stated that Saturday, April 24, 2010 was the March of Dimes, March for Babies at Four Rivers Environmental Education Center. There were approximately 95 walkers. He thanked Rhonda Richter for chairing the committee and putting the walk together. We had a goal of \$16,000. We actually raised \$17,611. Bowden thanked Missey Schumacher for representing the Village of Channahon. Bowden and McMahon were also there to represent VOC and help with the walk.

### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

Trustee McMillin asked whether McMahon asked Jake Melrose to look into annexed properties that aren't paying taxes.

McMahon stated that at least one property had been annexed by VOC but hadn't paid taxes due to some clerical error. Melrose will be looking at properties and will go through ordinances to make sure that all annexed properties are included on VOC tax rolls.

Trustee McMillin asked if there will be a policy in place to prevent this in the future. He expressed concern that VOC is providing services without the benefit of tax revenue.

Bowden suggested that a plan include a check after one year of annexation to make sure taxes are being collected.

### **FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

#### **An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale by Public Auction of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Channahon – 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

Guess requested that the Board approve the sale of three vehicles at the DuPage Mayors and Managers Auction to be held on June 12, 2010.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Pena reminded everyone that May 13, 2010 the Grundy County Police and Fire Memorial Service will be held at MCHS South Campus at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

### **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

#### **Henneberry Farms Unit 8 Subdivision – Improvement Completion Guarantee Reduction**

Dolezal stated that Henneberry Farms Unit 8 is seeking a reduction to the improvement completion guarantee. Work has been inspected and staff confirms that it is not less than 95% complete. They are seeking a reduction from \$148,758.62 to \$29,751.00.

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Submitted by  
Janet Schumacher  
Village Clerk