

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD
BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 2, 2013**

Village President Joe Cook called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

VP Cook led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken with Trustees Slocum, Militello, Schumacher, Scaggs and Greco present. Trustee McMillin was absent.

Also present were Village Administrator Joe Pena, Director of Finance Robert Guess, Village Attorney Jim Murphy, Police Chief Jeff Wold, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Director of Community Development Mike McMahon and Village Clerk Patricia Perinar.

Before the start of the agenda, VP Cook requested a moment of silence for long time resident, Jim Feeney, who recently passed away.

CITIZENS/SPECIAL REQUESTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing – Tax Levy

Trustee Greco made the motion to open the Public Hearing for the Tax Levy. Seconded by Trustee Schumacher.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Militello, Schumacher, Scaggs, Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

ABSENT: McMillin

Finance Director Guess stated the Village is required by state statute to publicly announce its proposed Tax Levy amount each year no less than 20 days prior to the adoption of the aggregate levy. We did that on November 18th. The taxing body is required to hold a public hearing if the levy amount is more than 105% of the amount of taxed extended in the prior year. Guess provided the Board with a power point presentation on the Preliminary 2014 Tax Levy.

Trustee Greco made the motion to close the Public Hearing for the Tax Levy. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Militello, Schumacher, Scaggs, Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

ABSENT: McMillin

VP Cook thanked the Board for being willing to have the Public Hearing even when it was not legally warranted, allowing transparency and openness.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Scaggs made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Militello, Schumacher, Scaggs, Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

ABSENT: McMillin

Items approved at this time are as follows:

- A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Committee of November 18, 2013
- B. Consider Approval of Minutes of Board of November 18, 2013
- C. Bills List of December 2, 2013

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM VILLAGE OFFICIALS

A. VILLAGE PRESIDENT

VP Cook extended his well wishes to the Board that all had a nice Thanksgiving and spent time with friends and family. As the Holiday season continues, he is asking everyone in the community to be careful on the roads, drink responsibly when partying or using a designated driver, and as the cold weather approaches please keep an eye on your neighbors and elderly that they are doing fine. The police are available to do wellness checks, if needed. Warming stations will be available for those in need and a list will be available on our web site and the local community cable channel.

The Village of Channahon and Three Rivers Public Library Christmas Tree Lighting Event is on Sunday, December 8 from 3 to 5 p.m. It's a great event for the family and children.

B. ADMINISTRATION

An Ordinance Adopting the updated Employee Handbook – 1st Read

Pena reminded the Board to please get back to him with comments and/or questions by December 9, 2013.

C. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Joliet Arsenal Enterprise Zone

- **An Ordinance Authorizing a Joint Application for Boundary Amendments to the Joliet Arsenal Enterprise Zone and to Expand Incentives offered within a portion of the Enterprise Zone – 1st Read**
- **A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with Will County to provide for the Expansion of the Joliet Arsenal Enterprise Zone and setting forth the Rights and Responsibilities of the Parties – 1st Read**
- **An Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the Village of Channahon and the County of Will – 1st Read**

McMahon stated these are all first read items for the Board to review before the next scheduled Board meeting.

McMahon also reminded the Board of the Planning Commission Regular Meeting Monday, December 9, 2013.

D. FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Renewal of PACE Paratransit Local Share Agreement

Trustee Slocum made the motion to approve the Renewal of PACE Paratransit Local Share Agreement. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Militello, Schumacher, Scaggs, Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

ABSENT: McMillin

Guess stated the all the ordinances on tonight's agenda are first read items and will be up for the Board's approval at the next scheduled Board meeting.

E. POLICE DEPARTMENT

No Formal Items for Discussion.

F. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Resolution Approving Renewal of Lease Agreement with Illinois Emergency Management Agency

Trustee Militello made a motion to approve the Resolution Approving Renewal of Lease Agreement with Illinois Emergency Management Agency. Seconded by Trustee Scaggs.

ROLL CALL AYES: Greco, Militello, Schumacher, Scaggs, Slocum.

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

ABSENT: McMillin

G. VILLAGE ATTORNEY

No Formal Items for Discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Sam Greco – Finance/Human Resources

Trustee Greco thanked his fellow trustees for all the support on the Human Resources issues and the handbook.

Trustee Debbie Militello – Community & Legislative Affairs

Trustee Militello stated Springfield is going back into session tomorrow to discuss Pension Reform. Trustee Militello shared her concerns whether it will happen and if it does, it may be on the back of the municipalities. VP Cook shared his concerns of the shifting of pension obligations to the local school districts and to keep an eye on that.

Trustee Missey Schumacher – Public Safety/Emergency Support

Trustee Schumacher stated that on Friday six officers will be attending the Conceal Carry/Medical Marijuana training. The police candidate testing has been completed and the interview process has begun. Hopefully by early next year, we will have our best candidate identified. On Friday, the Chief is meeting with the library on their safety plan. Chief Wold and Mike Petrick are working with Will County 911 to purchase car computers which will be compatible with Will County Computer Aided Dispatch Program which is suppose to go live next year.

Trustee Scott McMillin – Public Works and Facility – Absent.

Trustee Mark Scaggs – Community Development - No report.

Trustee Scott Slocum – Technology/Community Image/Code Enforcement

Trustee Slocum stated there will be CEDC meeting on Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at noon at the Community Bank. The internship has been posted with the University of Saint Francis. The

new Board will be voted on Weds. Tricia Simpson will become the head of the CEDC for a one year term. On our web site and the Economic Development web site "Small Business Saturday" is posted. We are getting the word out to all our businesses locally that we are behind them. All the businesses are listed by category on the web site.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Schumacher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

VERBAL ROLL CALL: ALL AYES

MOTION CARRIED

**Submitted by
Patricia Perinar
Village Clerk**