

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2014**

Village President Joe Cook called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Trustees Greco, McMillin, Militello, Schumacher and Slocum present. Trustee Scaggs was absent.

Also present were Village Administrator Tom Durkin, Village Attorney Dave Silverman, Police Chief Jeff Wold, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Director of Community Development & Information Systems Mike Petrick and Village Clerk Patricia Perinar.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Lone Star Restaurant, Themis and Kostas Sparagis, Sewer Connection

Village President Cook gave the Board a general summary of the Lone Star Restaurant request to connect to the Village of Channahon sewer. The projected cost is around \$35,000 to \$40,000. The business is requesting assistance from the Village to help with the cost of the project with the possibility of a no interest loan. A discussion took place between the Board and the business's attorney of possible options.

The Board was in agreement to find some means of helping the long standing business in the Channahon Community. Trustee Slocum brought up the idea of waiving the Village fees to help with the cost rather than a loan. Village Attorney Silverman agreed that other options, other than a loan, may be a possibility. It was decided that the business is to get one to two estimates for the total cost of the project and then report back to the Board.

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Electrical Aggregation Update

Village Administrator Tom Durkin briefed the Board on the recent meeting with the Will Electric Aggregation Group (WEAG) regarding an extension of the soon to be ending initial program of the aggregation which was started three years ago. The Board had packets provided that included the bids from various companies. The WEAG decided to go with the bid from Homefield Energy which will begin in October of this year. No resolution is necessary.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

**Resolution to Approve an Agreement with
Rock Island Clean Line for Tax Abatement**

Director of Community Development and Information Systems, Mike Petrick stated Rock Island Clean Line LLC is proposing to build an electric converter station in Channahon, to connect electricity generated by wind power in Iowa, to the electricity grid near the old Collins Station. Village Resolution 551 unanimously approved the concept of this development.

On November 19, 2012 the Village Board unanimously approved a term sheet with Rock Island Clean Line LLC. The difference in the agreement and the original term sheet, is the property is now located within the Joliet Arsenal Enterprise Zone, which the Village helped to expand for this project and ratified with Village Ordinance 1762 on December 16, 2013.

The details of the abatement remain as intended for 85% of Real Property Taxes through the life of the Enterprise Zone (year 2032). Abatements will continue at 50% for years 2033-2042 if the life of

the enterprise zone is extended, or will terminate with the Enterprise Zone if it is not extended. No abatements will be issued for year 2043 or beyond.

The year one estimate, with 85% abatement, would bring approximately \$89,000 in tax revenue to the Village of Channahon. The Village will be asking approval of the agreement for the Abatement of Real Property Taxes with Rock Island Clean Line LLC contingent on language.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

A Resolution Authorizing Signatures to Disburse Village of Channahon Funds

Lea Slahor with Theobald Associates was present at the Board meeting and stated the resolution is needed to update the signature authority for the banks for current signers.

Approval to Hire Kane, McKenna and Associates, Inc. to Prepare the Annual TIF Report

Ms. Slahor stated the Aux Sable Liquid Products project started in late 1997 and became operational in 2000. We are required to have an annual TIF report generated to satisfy legal requirements in conjunction with the audit.

Kane, McKenna and Associates, Inc. has historically prepared the annual TIF report. The estimated cost from the previous year was also not to exceed \$2,500 and actual costs totalled \$1,575.00. This expense is recorded and paid out of the TIF Fund.

The Village is very satisfied with the work performed by Kane, McKenna and Associates, Inc. and recommends their hiring. Staff recommends the approval of the proposal but to not exceed amount of \$2,500 for the preparation of the Village's annual TIF Report.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Approval to Purchase Three Police Patrol Vehicles

Police Chief Jeff Wold stated that due to high mileage and frequent repairs, he is requesting to replace three patrol vehicles: M-27 2008 Dodge Charger, M-26 2009 Dodge Charger, M-30 2009 Dodge Charger.

Chief Wold recommends replacing these vehicles with 3 Ford Police Interceptor (compact SUV) with six cylinder engines, all-wheel drive, and police patrol packages. They would be purchase from Currie Motors Ford in Frankfort at the State purchase price of \$27,372 each. The estimated total to purchase the vehicles, install lights, radio and graphics to be \$104,500 which is \$500 less than the amount budgeted.

Currie Motors Ford did provide us with a demo-model Ford Police Interceptor. Although it is not as stylish as our current Dodge Chargers, it provides more functionality, room and durability. The Ford Police Interceptor that will be replacing the sedans will be beneficial during snow and ice storms, provide a larger/safer driver's compartment and more storage area for gear.

Additionally, the Ford Police Interceptor SUV is 12 inches higher than the Dodge Charger; it will provide a higher level of visibility to the public and provide the officer with a better view while on patrol. Based on manufacture's specifications, the Ford Police Interceptors and our current Dodge Chargers both get 18 miles per gallon (combined City/Highway). The three Chargers taken out of service will either be sold at auction or traded in to reduce the price.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

First Baptist Church – Release of Maintenance Guarantee

Director of Public Works, Ed Dolezal, stated this guarantee is held with a single Cash Escrow Agreement. Public improvements were accepted by the Village on August 6, 2012. In accordance with Subdivision and Development Regulations, the developer has requested the Village release the maintenance guarantee for Step 1 Public Improvements consisting of watermain. Public Works Staff has inspected all improvements and found they are 100% complete and in good condition.

2014 Various Spray Patching Project Change Order

Dolezal stated that this change order represents minor final quantity adjustments resulting in a net savings of \$102.50. These changes generate a net decrease of the original contract cost of \$19,989.00, thus resulting in a new contract value of \$19,886.50

Purchase of Route 6 Street Light Material

Dolezal informed the Board that recently an accident occurred at the intersection of Route 6 and Bluff Road. A streetlight was knocked down. This material is something we do not stock and must order from our supplier, Crescent Electrical Supply Company. The cost of the material will be \$5,694.37 and is not budgeted in the current fiscal year. An insurance claim will be made.

2014 MFT Road Maintenance Project

Dolezal stated that Channahon Road Maintenance Projects include road maintenance using resurfacing and reconstruction of pavements along with repairs to all public improvements within that pavement's right-of-way. These include storm and sanitary sewers, watermain, sidewalks and curb & gutter. Yellow Pine Dr. (Saxony to Plainview), Brookfield Ln., Brookfield Ct., Cobblestone Ln. (Bell to Woodrush) and Squire Ln. will receive resurfacing work this year along with minor patching on Fox Trail, Ascot Ct., Bell Rd. (Rt. 6 to Hansel), and Northern Illinois Dr. This project is funded from a combination of State MFT funds and Local funds. Bid opening was held July 31, 2014 with two bids submitted. Gallagher Asphalt was the lowest responsible bidder at \$442,381.96 and Austin Tyler bid \$486,887.86. This work was estimated to cost \$430,845.75 with a budget of \$432,300.00. To date all other road projects have been completed or bid with a projected net surplus of \$13,832.00. If this Road Maintenance Project contract is awarded, there will be a net surplus of \$2,296.00.

2014 Road Program Streets Investigation

Dolezal stated that this work consists of mobilization, 29 soil borings in asphalt pavement areas, Immediate Bearing Values at 7 specified locations and a *Report of Findings*. This work provides important existing road construction data for use in determining future road maintenance and reconstruction needs and where they fit into the 5 year program.

Approval Purchase of 750 Tons of Bulk Rock Salt from Central Salt

Dolezal informed the Board that this would be to ratify the decision that the Board had discussed.

The Committee of the Whole meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

**Submitted by
Patricia Perinar
Village Clerk**