

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MAY 18, 2015**

Village President Missey Moorman Schumacher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Trustees Militello, Scaggs, Slocum, Greco and McMillin present.

Also present were Village Administrator Thomas Durkin, Director of Community Development & Information Systems Mike Petrick, Finance Director Heather Morandi, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Police Chief Jeff Wold, Village Attorney David Silverman and Deputy Village Clerk Leti Anselme. Village Clerk Patricia Perinar was absent.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

A Resolution Authorizing the Extension of an Agreement between the Village of Channahon and the Village Administrator

VP Moorman Schumacher stated that this item would be taken into executive session to be discussed.

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

A Resolution to Approve an Agreement with Red Frog Entertainment LLC/Warrior Dash

Administrator Durkin stated that this is the fifth year this event has taken place in Channahon. The agreement is similar to last year. He has spoken with the police and public works department regarding the agreement and they are good with it.

The Board asked if Warrior Dash still had openings. CD&IS Petrick state that they still have open spots. Chief Wold stated that 25,000 to 30,000 people are registered to participate in the two day event.

Approve a Resolution to Include Compensation Paid Under an Internal Revenue Code Section 125 Plan as IMRF Earnings

Administrator Durkin stated that the Village instituted a flexible spending account (FSA) for the employees covered under the Village provided health insurance plan. This account allows the employee to set aside pre-tax dollars up to \$2,550 per year pursuant to IRS guidelines to pay for eligible medical expenses.

While these earnings are currently being reported to IMRF as part of the gross earnings for the employee, this resolution is required by IMRF to be passed by the corporate authorities of the municipality and placed on file with IMRF to continue to do so.

Authorization to Accept a Donation for the Purchase and Sponsorship of a Used 2013 John Deere 855D XUV Gator All-Terrain Vehicle

Administrator Durkin stated that the purchase of a used all-terrain vehicle for the public works department was initially proposed by staff for inclusion in the 2015/2016 fiscal year budget. Channahon Township currently has ownership of this vehicle and is looking to trade-in/sell this vehicle and utilize the proceeds for the purchase of a new vehicle. On March 7, the Village

Board budget workshop meeting took place and this item was discussed by Village Board and staff and it was decided at the direction of the Village Board not to fund this purchase in the subsequent approved budget.

It was also further discussed with members of the board to seek out alternatives funds, more specifically donations, to cover the cost of the purchase of this vehicle. I sent out a series of emails to major local businesses, the Three Rivers Festival Committee, and I also reached out verbally to Mr. Rick Claes of Bluestone Properties, requesting donations to be utilized for the purchase. All elected officials were sent copies of these emails.

He has received a commitment from Thorntons, Inc in the amount of \$5,000 and the Three Rivers Festival Committee in the amount of \$5,000 to be utilized for the purchase and sponsorship of this vehicle. Upon purchase, we will utilize a portion of these proceeds to provide verbiage on the unit indicating that this vehicle is sponsored by these two entities. We did the same in terms of sponsorship lettering on the vehicle with the all-terrain vehicle purchased for the police department in 2012 through a donation by AuxSable Liquid Products. A copy of a board memo date August 2012 and the agenda and minutes from the August 20, 2012 meeting are attached. The remainder of the funds will be provided to Channahon Township for the purchase of the vehicle.

Administrator Durkin also mentioned that on June 3, the Village will be hosting an open house for IDOT in regards to the I-55 and Route 6 interchange project. Letters will be sent to the local businesses on Route 6 and on Riverside Drive. The open house will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & INFORMATION SYSTEMS

An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the Corporate Limits of the Village of Channahon (Thorntons Inc./Styrczula) – 1st Read

CD&IS Petrick stated that in order for the Bluestone/Thorntons project to properly align the new Frontage Road at the northwest corner of I-55 & US Route 6, a small additional piece of property needed to be acquired. The property in question is of 0.615 acres in size. Thorntons has now closed their acquisition of the property. Much of this property will be used for the new right-of-way alignment.

The northwest “triangle” of the property is being retained by the Styrczula trust and not under the ownership of Thorntons. However, this piece will be included on the final plat of subdivision for the development and will be annexed into the corporate limits of the Village of Channahon. Styrczula will additionally be signing the final plat of subdivision.

An Ordinance Rezoning Certain Property from R-1 to C-4 – 1st Read

CD&IS Petrick stated that the Village is-to/has annexed property that is to be a small portion of the Bluestone/Thorntons project at I-55 and Route 6. This property is what will mostly be a piece of the future relocated frontage road. For conformance with the rest of the remaining site, the property should be re-zoned to match the surrounding C-4 area.

The Planning & Zoning Commission held a public hearing regarding this change on April 13, 2015. Following the hearing the Planning & Zoning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the zoning change.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Finance Director Morandi gave a brief update on the BS&A software, since Petrick and herself had participated in a conference call for the software conversion project. VP Moorman Schumacher asked when it would be up and running. It is anticipated to be up and running by Fiscal Year 2016.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

No Formal Items for Discussion.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

No Formal Items for Discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Slocum made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of an Employee of the Village of Channahon and for Collective Bargaining at 6:15 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

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

Trustee Scaggs made a motion at 6:30 p.m. to close Executive Session for Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of an Employee of the Village of Channahon and for Collective Bargaining. Seconded by Trustee Greco.

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

The Committee of the Whole was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Submitted by
Leticia Anselme
Deputy Clerk