

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD  
BOARD MEETING  
December 7, 2015**

Village President Missey Moorman Schumacher called the meeting to order at 7:41 p.m. She then led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken with Trustees Host, Militello, Scaggs, and McMillin present. Trustees Greco and Slocum were not present.

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

**VP Moorman Schumacher informed everyone present that the meeting was being recorded and anyone speaking at the meeting deems his/her consent to the recording of their likeness and speech.**

**CITIZEN/SPECIAL REQUESTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**A. Public Hearing ó Tax Levy**

Trustee Scaggs made a motion at 7:44 p.m. to open the Public Hearing. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Robert Brainerd, 25263 Forest Edge Drive, Channahon addressed the Board. Mr. Brainerd stated he moved to Channahon to be closer to family and because of the lower taxes. He is concerned with the amount of notifications being placed in the papers regarding tax levy increases. People who are on a fixed income will not be able to afford to live in the area if the property taxes continue to be increased. He believes that as elected officials the Board needs to be diligent in ways to keep property taxes down. He believes some residents have moved away because of the property taxes. He has heard of the good things the Village has done to help to minimize property tax increases but believes the Board needs to continue to look for other ways to keep the property taxes down. He sighted different manners he believed may be helpful.

VP Moorman Schumacher thanked Mr. Brainerd for his comments stating she welcomes comments from residents and hopes he continues to come to future meetings. She also addressed some of Mr. Brainerd's concerns. She stated that the Village is always looking for ways to save money but currently the reduction in State funding is hurting us. The Village Board has always been very conservative and fiscally responsible. The stop lights on Route 6 are decided on by the State since it is a State road. The Village does issue bonds but the Village has never levied for bonds to avoid putting that additional burden on the tax payers.

The trucking companies coming in are not getting a tax abatement. She went on to explain how the funding works along the strategic planning on the locations of the trucking companies coming into the area.

Village Administrator Tom Durkin suggested that Mr. Brainerd to take a look at the dollar bills with the tax breakdown that are posted in the Village lobby. Trustee Militello has spoken to State Representatives stating the need to come up with a different formula on how they fund the state.

Director of Finance Heather Wagonblott addressed the Board the levy proposals brought forth and that an ad had been placed in the Morris Herald to be in compliance with the truth in taxation statute. It was noted within the article that the estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2015 to be \$2,261,348.00 which would represent a 12.79% increase over the previous year should the Board approve that amount. The levy has not been approved. The vote will take at the next scheduled Board meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup>. The amount posted was the maximum amount the Board had set.

Trustee Host made a motion at 7:58 p.m. to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Trustee Scaggs.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Committee of November 16, 2015
- B. Consider Approval of Minutes of Board of November 16, 2015
- C. Approve Payment of the Bills List of December 7, 2015 for \$ 223,812.81

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

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

## **REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

### **A. VILLAGE PRESIDENT**

#### **Proclamation – National Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month**

Village President Moorman-Schumacher read the Proclamation the Board stating that motor vehicle crashes killed 898 people in Illinois during 2014 and hundreds of those deaths involved a driver impaired by alcohol and/or drugs. The December holiday season is traditionally one of the most deadly times of the year for impaired driving and for thousands of families across the state and the nation, holidays are a time to remember loved ones lost.

Organizations across the state and the nation are joined with the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over and other campaigns that foster public awareness of the dangers of impaired driving and anti-impaired driving law enforcement efforts. The Channahon community is proud to partner with the Illinois Department of Transportation's Division of Traffic Safety and other traffic safety groups in that effort to make our roads and streets safer.

VP Moorman Schumacher proclaimed December 2015 as Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month in Channahon calling upon all citizens, government, agencies, business leaders, hospitals and health care providers, schools, and public and private institutions to promote awareness of the impaired driving problem, to support safer and healthier behaviors regarding the use of alcohol and other drugs this December holiday season and throughout the year.

VP Moorman Schumacher thanked all that were involved in the Christmas Tree Lighting Event this past Sunday.

**B. VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR**

**Membership in the Illinois Municipal Insurance Cooperative (IMIC) for the Purpose of Securing Property and Casualty Insurance for the Village and Approval of By-Laws**

Trustee Militello made a motion to approve the Membership in the Illinois Municipal Insurance Cooperative (IMIC) for the Purpose of Securing Property and Casualty Insurance for the Village and Approval of By-Laws. Seconded by Trustee Host.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**Worker's Compensation Proposal – Mesirow Financial**

Trustee Scaggs made a motion to approve the workers compensation insurance proposal by Mesirow Financial with IPRF ó Illinois Public Risk Fund as underwriter. Seconded by Trustee Host.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with Channahon Township**

Trustee Militello made a motion to approve an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with Channahon Township. Seconded by Trustee Host.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the Village of Channahon and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150, Public Employees Division (Police Sergeants) – 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

Trustee Militello made a motion to approve an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the Village of Channahon and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150, Public Employees Division (Police Sergeants) and waive of second read. Seconded by Trustee Scaggs.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the Village of Channahon and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150, Public Employees Division (Public Works) – 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

Trustee Militello made a motion to approve An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the Village of Channahon and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 150, Public Employees Division (Public Works) and waive of second read. Seconded by Trustee Scaggs.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**C. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

**An Ordinance Regulating the Placement and Use of Donation Boxes in the Village of Channahon – 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

CD&IS Mike Petrick stated that staff will work on the language and bring this back for at the next meeting. He also reminded staff of the Planning Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> and went over the items currently listed on the agenda for that meeting.

**D. FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

**Renewal of the PACE Paratransit Local Share Agreement**

Trustee Militello made a motion to approve the Renewal of the PACE Paratransit Local Share Agreement. Seconded by Trustee Host.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**E. POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**F. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**Phase I Engineering for Bridge Street Bike Path**

Trustee Militello asked Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal what direction he believes the Board should go with this. Mr. Dolezal stated that he believes that everyone was in agreement that this is a great project.

Trustee McMillin made a motion to approve the continuation of Phase I engineering for the cost of \$91,500.00. Seconded by Trustee Militello.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- **Pipeline Crossing Agreement**
- **Exxon Mobil/IDI Easement**

Trustee Scaggs made an omnibus motion to approve the Pipeline Crossing Agreement and the Exxon Mobil/IDI Easement subject to final approval by the Village Attorney or Village Administrator Durkin. Seconded by Militello.

**ROLL CALL AYES: Host, Militello, Scaggs and McMillin.**

**ABSENT: Greco & Slocum**

**NAYS: NONE**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **G. VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

Village Attorney Dave Silverman asked the Board which direction they would like to go with the Tax levy in regards to the next Board meeting. Director of Finance Heather Wagonblott is looking for guidance as to where to set the levy so the ordinances can be prepared for approval at the next Board meeting. Trustee McMillin does not believe anyone is in agreement as to where they would like to set the levy at this point. The Board was in agreement to prepare the ordinances for each proposal for the next Board meeting.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Trustee Sam Greco – Finance/Human Resources – Absent.**

**Trustee Debbie Militello – Community & Legislative Affairs**

Trustee Militello stated a couple of bills have been passed and signed by the Governor to free up some money that will release some funds down to the communities.

**Trustee Chantal Host – Public Safety/Emergency Support** óNo Report.

**Trustee Scott McMillin – Public Works and Facility** óNo Report.

**Trustee Mark Scaggs – Community Development**

Trustee Scaggs asked if there were any updates regarding residents who had issues with the trucking company on Route 6. VA Durkin stated the owner has installed curbing satisfactorily to help alleviate the water drainage onto the neighboring property.

**Trustee Scott Slocum – Technology/Community Image/Code Enforcement – Absent.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Militello made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Host.

**VERBAL ROLL CALL: ALL AYES**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Submitted by  
Patricia Perinar  
Village Clerk**