

**CHANNAHON VILLAGE BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2020**

VP Moorman Schumacher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with Trustees Greco, Host, Perinar, McMillin, Scaggs and Slocum present.

Also present were Village Administrator Thomas Durkin, Director of Community Development and Information Systems Mike Petrick, Finance Director Heather Wagonblott, Director of Public Works Ed Dolezal, Chief of Police Shane Casey, Village Attorney Marron Mahoney and Village Clerk Kristin Hall.

VP Moorman Schumacher informed everyone present that anyone who speaks at the meeting shall be deemed to have given his/her consent to the recording of their likeness and speech. This meeting is being recorded.

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Recognition of Retirement – Channahon Police Officer

VP Moorman Schumacher stated that Officer Devine has been with us for 31 years and unfortunately could not be here tonight. She stated that we will save his recognition for another night. She also asked Chief Casey if any of the new hires being considered tonight were older than 31 years. The answer is no. She further that Officer Devine has been here longer than the new officers have all been alive. What that tells you is this a really great place to make a career. She stated that she wishes Officer Devine the best in his retirement.

Durkin stated he has no formal items.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Petrick stated he had no formal items.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Wagonblott stated she had no formal items.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Discussion – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of Channahon and Will County for Animal Control – 1st Read

Casey stated the Village's current three (3) year IGA with Will County Animal Control is set to expire. He stated we have been covered by similar IGAs for the last 12 years. He also stated Will County Animal Control offers assistance with the capture and boarding of stray, injured, sick or vicious animals. He further stated in severe cases, Animal Control offers euthanizing and rabies testing. He stated their services are available on a 24-hour basis with a fee schedule determined by the time and/or day of the week. He also stated that the fees associated with this IGA have increased from previous agreements. He further stated that the fees with previous IGAS have remained unchanged for the last 12 years and that the increase seems reasonable under these circumstances. He stated that he is requesting a waiver of second read and adoption.

Discussion – Hiring of Police Officers

Casey stated that with the recent retirement of Officer Devine, the imminent retirement of Sergeant Jackubowski in December and the budgeted addition of a 26th officer, the Police Department would like to stay on pace with the replacement of personnel to minimize overtime costs, not unduly burden FTO staff and most importantly, avoid any disruption to the delivery of services. He stated that currently the Channahon Police Department has two spaces reserved at the Macon County Law Enforcement Training Center in Decatur, for September 13th through December 22, 2020. He also stated that after an orientation and written examination, a hiring panel comprised of Deputy Chief Gunty, Sergeant Brooks, Detective McClellan and Human Resources Director Denton interviewed eighteen (18) candidates who passed the written exam and accepted an offer to interview with our agency. He stated that Ethan Anderson, Catherine Price and Christopher Smith were the candidates identified and endorsed as potential hires with the Police Department. He also stated that a comprehensive background investigation, polygraph, psychological assessment and medical examination have been completed on the three prospective candidates.

Mr. Smith is a graduate of Dunbar Vocational Career Academy High School in Chicago and attended Malcom X College. The Chief stated that he is currently employed by Marriott Corporation, where his supervisors and peers gave Mr. Smith high praise for his professional demeanor, customer service and de-escalation skills. He also stated that Mr. Smith has completed all the hiring criteria as required by the Village of Channahon Ordinance. He further stated that he is seeking the Board's approval to hire Christopher Smith at a step one starting pay of \$60,642 as set by the MAP collective bargaining agreement.

Catherine Price is a Channahon resident and graduate from Minooka Community High School. He also stated that she attending Joliet Junior College where she obtained her Associates Degree in Psychology and went on to attend Trinity Christian College where she obtained her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Criminal Justice. He further stated that Ms. Price interned with the Joliet Police Department and our police department, where she received a letter of commendation from former Chief Jeff Wold. He stated that Ms. Price has completed all of the hiring criteria as required by the Village of Channahon Ordinance. He also stated that he is seeking approval to hire Catherine Price at a step one starting pay of \$60,642 as set by the MAP collective bargaining agreement.

Ethan Anderson is a graduate of Vista Murrieta High School, attend Mount San Jacinto Junior College and California Coast University. He stated he went on to work as a correctional officer in California before becoming certified as a police officer in Illinois. He also stated that Mr. Anderson is currently employed with the Elwood Police Department as a patrol officer and hold many certifications beneficial to our agency. He further stated that some of those include: Advance Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement, Breath Alcohol Operator, Juvenile Officer, Rescue Task Force, REID interview and interrogation, Advance Sexual Assault Investigator, Taser Instructor, Mental Health Crisis Intervention and CPR. He stated that Mr. Anderson is currently a member of the ILEAS Mobile Field Force. He also stated that Mr. Anderson is familiar with PI CAD and Records management systems and WESCOM radio process. He further stated that Mr. Anderson has completed all the hiring criteria as required by the Village of Channahon Ordinance. He stated that with his three years law enforcement experience, State of Illinois police certification and numerous advanced training and certifications he is seeking

the Board's approval to hire Ethan Anderson at a step two pay of \$63,369 as set by the MAP collective bargaining agreement. He also stated that these are all budgeted items.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Discussion – Change Order No. 1 for 2020 Sump Pump Connection Project

Dolezal stated the project consists of installation of 10 separate sump discharge conveyance systems to provide connection stubs for individual private sump discharges. He stated the Board awarded this contract to Austin Tyler on July 20, 2020. He also stated that the change order revises insurance requirements and extends the completion date per the Change Order #1.

Discussion – Award 2020 Storm Sewer Project Contract

Dolezal stated the project consists of 5 separate storm sewer installations with ditch grading and other work tasks to improve various drainage concerns, some which cause a need for regular repairs. He stated that bid opening was held on August 6, 2020 and five (5) bids were received. He also stated that the low bidder was Construction by Camco, Inc, at \$224,509.13. He further stated the budget for this project is \$289,408.35.

Discussion – Contract with Synagro for Sludge Disposal

Dolezal stated Synagro has been our sludge hauler and disposer for many years. He stated that the reason we have a new contract is with our-new waste water treatment plant expansion, we don't need them to thicken the sludge anymore; we can do that ourselves. He also stated that they will take it and landfill it or apply to it to a farm field as fertilizer. He further stated that it also gives us the unit price for emergency liquid hauling, if needed.

Discussion – Final Change Order for Channahon US 6/Frontage Road Signalization Project

Dolezal stated the signalization project is complete and final quantities have been agreed to by all parties. He stated this change order finalizes the resulting contract value. He also stated that the original contract was \$1,832,878.29 and the final value is \$1,827,279.86.

COMMUNICATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Committee of the Whole was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Submitted by
Kristin Hall
Village Clerk

