

**Minutes
Village of Willow Springs Special
Combined Committee and Board Meeting
August 25, 2016**

President Alan Nowaczyk led the Pledge of Allegiance. Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m.

Roll Call: **Present:** President Nowaczyk, Trustees: George Bartik, Mario Imbarrato, Annette Kaptur, Kevin Maloney, Kathy Stanphill and Jerry Strazzante.

Also Present: Administrator William Murray, Clerk Adena Baskovich and Attorney Mike Grath

Public Hearing: None.

Presentation: None.

Minutes: Motion by Trustee Stanphill and second by Trustee Imbarrato to approve the Combined Committee and Board Meeting minutes dated, May 28, 2015. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES: Trustees; Bartik, Imbarrato, Kaptur, Maloney, Stanphill and Strazzante. ***Motion Carried.***

President: ***President Alan Nowaczyk***
President Nowaczyk wished everyone a happy Labor Day. He ran across a 1941 Calendar from a Willow Springs business at a swap meet. He bought it and presented it to the Historical Society. It was very interesting and the Board enjoyed it.

Engineering: ***Engineer Matt Buerger*** ***Not present.***
Administrator Murray said the 2016 Street Maintenance job is out for bid.

Administrator: ***William Murray*** ***No Report***

Murray attended a Local Chicagoland Complete Streets conference and was very informative. They had national representatives present; I.D.O.T. gave valuable information on funding. Willow Springs was given as an example because of the Pop Up Party the Village held in order to education and gather information from the public on areas that could use improvement safety wise. He will host a homeowner's association meeting at the Village to help bring awareness on making the streets safe for bikes, pedestrians and cars to share. This can be done by narrowing streets with items such as planters and bump outs.

Some of the Board member has heard from the public they would like to see the sidewalks on the north side to connect. Bringing access to the bike trails, businesses and the whole town. Murray will have engineer Matt Buerger check into the cost for the connectivity.

Attorney: ***Mike Mc Grath***
Attorney Mc Grath explained the Village will enter into an agreement with the Cook County Dept. of Homeland Security and Emergency Management regarding the police boat that the Village owns. They will be responsible for maintenance and liability and they will store the boat but it will remain titled to the Village. The Ordinance is currently a draft and a final version will be given to the Village.

Treasurer: ***Arlette Frye*** ~ ***No Report***

Ordinances: ***Trustee George Bartik***

Motion by Trustee Bartik, second by Trustee Maloney to pass Ordinance 2016-O-30, after discussion regarding the ordinance Motion by Trustee Bartik and second by Trustee Kaptur to resend the motion and table the voice until the next meeting ROLL CALL: Trustees: ALL AYES: Bartik, Imbarrato, Kaptur, Maloney, Stanphill and Strazzante. ***Motion Carried.***

Finances: *Trustee Annette Kaptur*

Motion by Trustee Kaptur, second by Trustee Strazzante, to approve the warrants dated August 25, 2016 as read. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES: Trustees: Bartik, Imbarrato, Kaptur, Maloney, Stanphill and Strazzante. *Motion Carried.*

W.S. Family & Veterans Relief: *Trustee Maloney & Stanphill* ~ *No report.*

Streets & Alleys: *Trustee Jerry Strazzante*

Trustee Strazzante said they will be looking into proposals on the cost of lift stations due to their poor condition.

Water Commissioner Report: *President Alan Nowaczyk* *No Report.*

Police and Fire: *Trustee Mario Imbarrato*

Today was the first day of school for Pleasantdale School and Trustee Imbarrato said a crossing guard is needed at the German Church Road and School Street. Administrator Murray will advise Chief Kokkinis.

Business Licenses: *Trustee Kathy Stanphill* *No Report.*

Building Committee: *Trustee Kevin Maloney* *No Report.*

Village Clerk: *Adena Baskovich*

Clerk Baskovich said Mike Courtright was in this week and picked up applications to open a Steak House at the Courtright's old location and he is hoping to open in late October.

Baskovich said the Sept. 8 there will be a Candle Vigil for 9-11 at the Village.

Sept. 10 & 11 the River Thru History will be held at Columbia Woods.

Oct. 1 the Village will host the annual Wicked Willow event.

Oct. 8 the Fire and Police will host an Open House from 11a.m. to 2p.m. to help educate the public on safety. She asked everyone to try to attend and help support the community.

Open Floor: Motion by Trustee Strazzante and second by Trustee Imbarrato to open the floor. Voice Vote: All Ayes. *Motion Carried.*

No one signed up to speak.

Motion by Trustee Strazzante to close the floor, second by Trustee Stanphill. ROLL CALL: Voice Vote: All AYES. *Motion Carried.*

Old News: Trustee Stanphill said the Metra Station Lot needs better signage. Cars are pulling in the wrong way. Trustee Imbarrato asked that I.D.O.T. be contacted to remove the road closed sign by the Old Willow Springs Road Bridge. Trustee Kaptur wants I.D.O.T. contacted to remove all the old materials from our property and around the intersection where they had been working. Administrator Murray will ask Matt Buerger to contact I.D.O.T.

The Board wanted to know if they were an update and the property on Archer across from Courtright's and if Alden had contacted the Village lately. Administrator Murray said he hadn't heard from them lately. The deadlines for Alden for this year are over and they probably are aiming for Spring 2017. He will call both locations and report back at the next meeting.

New News: Trustee Imbarrato asked what is going on at Dunkin Donuts. He was told they are remodeling.

Executive Session: No Executive Session was held.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Trustee Strazzante and second by Trustee Stanphill.

Voice Vote: ALL AYES. *Motion Carried.* Time 8:17 p.m.

Adena Baskovich, Village Clerk