

1 VILLAGE OF ALSIP  
2 MINUTES OF  
3 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
4 January 15, 2007  
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6 Mayor Kitching called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll. Present:  
7 Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, and Graczyk. Also present Mayor Kitching, Clerk  
8 Venhuizen and Attorney Todd Hayden.  
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10 Mayor Kitching led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
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12 MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching reported: a) White Castle invited the entire Village Hall staff  
13 to for a free lunch on January 23, 2007 at 1:00 p.m., and White Castle's Grand Opening/Ribbon  
14 Cutting Ceremony is scheduled for January 28, 2007; b) Home Depot Ground Breaking Ceremony is  
15 scheduled January 30, 2007 at 3:00 p.m.  
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17 Mayor Kitching appointed Daniel Godfrey as Village Trustee to fill the vacancy on the Board for the  
18 term January 15, 2007 to May 1, 2007.  
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20 Motion by Trustee Collins to approve the appointment of Daniel Godfrey as Village Trustee for the  
21 term January 15, 2007 – May 1, 2007; seconded by Trustee Graczyk. In response to a question from  
22 Trustee Quinn regarding Daniel Godfrey's resume, Mayor Kitching reported no resume was required  
23 because Mr. Godfrey served on the Police & Fire Commission. Trustee Quinn again voiced  
24 disagreement with filling this position at this time.

25 Roll No. 1: Voting "aye": Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Mayor Kitching.  
26 Voting "nay": Trustees Quinn and Castaldo. Motion carried 4-2.  
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28 Mayor Kitching performed the swearing-in ceremony for Daniel Godfrey.  
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30 CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen reported: a) since there are five Mondays in January, no  
31 meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 22, 2007, the next Committee meeting is scheduled for  
32 Monday, January 29, 2007; b) the information for the Vehicle Sticker Contest will be sent to the  
33 schools this week; c) Municipal Code Book supplements can be picked up at the Clerk's office.  
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35 ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Hayden recommended a brief closed session at the end of this  
36 meeting to review information received on the 2001-2002 property tax objections and to discuss  
37 pending, probable and imminent litigation affecting the Village of Alsip.  
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39 ENGINEER'S REPORT: Village Engineer Tom Lang reported roads have been prioritized for the  
40 2007 Road Program and when financial information is completed a presentation will be made to the  
41 Board.  
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43 FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented: a) list of bills totaling \$898,093.63; b) an  
44 Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Amending Various Ordinances Establishing Compensation and  
45 Rate of Pay for Employees and Appointed Officers of the Village of Alsip, Illinois; c) an Ordinance  
46 amending Ordinance No. 2006-7-4, the 2006-2007 Annual Appropriation Ordinance; d) Resolution  
47 authorizing Application for a Grant under the Infrastructure Maintenance Fee Litigation Cy Pres  
48 Committee's General Authority to Make Such Grants; e) budget schedule for 2007-2008 were  
49 distributed to Department Heads.  
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51 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Collins presented: a) request to authorize the Fire &  
52 Police Commission to start the testing process to establish a new eligibility list for Fire Department  
53 candidates; b) letter from Ann Adlington, RN, BSN, EMS Coordinator commending Paramedics  
54 Daniel Rummery, Robert McNellis, Michael Rachan and Christopher Miller for applying a life  
55 saving transcutaneous pacemaker on an unstable patient while transporting to St. Francis Hospital,  
56 and Terry Vrshek for support given the patient's husband; c) letter from Garden Homes Fire  
57 Protection District Chief Richard Koopman commending Firefighters Rachan and Styczynski for  
58 dedication and service while responding to a structure fire on December 29, 2006.  
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60 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented the December 2006 Police  
61 Department Monthly Activity Report.  
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63 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: no report.  
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70 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) Building Department  
71 December 2006 report; b) request for approval of an Ordinance authorizing the use of PVC piping for  
72 property located at 6000 W. 118<sup>th</sup> Street.

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74 HEALTH & POLLUTION – no report.

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76 SEWER & WATER: no report.

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78 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented a list of licenses dated January 8, 2007.

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80 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: No report.

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82 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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84 VILLAGE PROPERTY: no report.

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86 INSURANCE COMMITTEE – no report.

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88 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: Trustee Collins reported local businesses attending the smoking  
89 ordinance meeting on January 10, 2007, wanted the opportunity to designate a portion of their  
90 business establishments as no smoking areas. Trustee Collins requested written input from the  
91 Trustees.

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93 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT – no report.

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95 BOAT LAUNCH: no report.

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97 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS

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99 CONSENT AGENDA

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101 Mayor Kitching asked if there are any items the Board would like to remove from the Consent  
102 Agenda; Trustee Graczyk removed Item F; Mayor Kitching removed Item C; Trustee Quinn removed  
103 Item E, Item G, and Item L.

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105 Motion by Trustee Collins to accept the Consent Agenda as amended; seconded by Trustee Graczyk.  
106 Clerk Venhuizen read selected items on the Consent Agenda:

- 107 A. Approval of minutes of Board meeting of January 3, 2007.  
108 B. Approval of minutes of Committee meeting of January 8, 2007.  
109 C. ~~Approval of the appointment of Daniel Godfrey as Village Trustee for the term~~  
110 ~~January 15, 2007—May 1, 2007. (removed)~~  
111 D. Approval of a list of bills totaling \$898,093.63.  
112 E. ~~Approval of an Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Amending Various Ordinances~~  
113 ~~Establishing Compensation and Rate of Pay for employees and Appointed Officers of~~  
114 ~~the Village of Alsip, Illinois. (removed)~~  
115 F. ~~Approval of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2006-7-4; the 2006-2007 Annual~~  
116 ~~Appropriation Ordinance. (removed and tabled)~~  
117 G. ~~Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Application for a Grant Under the Infrastructure~~  
118 ~~Maintenance Fee Litigation Cy Pres Committee's General Authority to Make Such~~  
119 ~~Grants. (Removed)~~  
120 H. Authorization for the Fire & Police Commission to start the testing process to  
121 establish a new eligibility list for Fire Department candidates.  
122 I. Acceptance of Fire Department letters of thanks.  
123 J. Acceptance of Building Department December 2006 report.  
124 K. Approval of an Ordinance Granting Authorization to Utilize PVC Piping for the  
125 Property Located at 6000 West 118<sup>th</sup> Street in the Village of Alsip.  
126 Ordinance No. 2007-1-6.  
127 L. ~~Approval of a list of licenses dated January 8, 2007. (removed)~~  
128 M. Accept committee reports as presented.  
129 Roll No. 2: Voting "aye": Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, and Graczyk.  
130 Motion carried.

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135 Motion by Trustee Collins to accept the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Graczyk.  
136 Roll #3: Ayes: Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey. Motion carried.

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138 Item E: Trustee Quinn confirmed this Ordinance was the salary ordinance for the new Police Chief.  
139 Motion by Trustee Quinn to approve an Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Amending Various  
140 Ordinances Establishing Compensation and Rate of Pay for employees and Appointed Officers of the  
141 Village of Alsip, Illinois (Police Chief); seconded by Trustee Castaldo. Roll #4: Ayes: Trustees  
142 Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 2007-1-7.

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144 Item F: Motion by Trustee Graczyk to table Approval of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No.  
145 2006-7-4; the 2006-2007 Annual Appropriation Ordinance; seconded by Trustee Castaldo. All in  
146 favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

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148 Item G: Motion by Trustee Quinn to approve a Resolution Authorizing Application for a Grant  
149 Under the Infrastructure Maintenance Fee Litigation Cy Pres Committee's General Authority to  
150 Make Such Grants and all expenditures from this grant be approved by the Board of Trustees;  
151 seconded by Trustee Castaldo. Discussion followed on involving the Board of Trustees in the  
152 approval process of these grant funds that are legally designated for the 9-1-1 Board. The Village  
153 Attorney advised that the Village Board of Trustees can oversee these expenditures, but has no legal  
154 authority on how the funds are spent. Roll #5: Ayes: Trustees Quinn, Castaldo. Nays: Trustees  
155 Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey. Motion denied.

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157 Motion by Trustee Graczyk to approve a Resolution Authorizing Application for a Grant Under the  
158 Infrastructure Maintenance Fee Litigation Cy Pres Committee's General Authority to Make Such  
159 Grants; seconded by Trustee Godfrey. Roll #6: Ayes: Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and  
160 Godfrey. Nays: Trustees Quinn and Castaldo. Motion Carried. Resolution No.1-R-2.

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162 Item L: Trustee Quinn asked for individual votes on the list of licenses.  
163 Motion by Trustee Collins to approve the list of licenses dated January 8, 2007; seconded by Trustee  
164 Graczyk. Roll #7: Ayes: Trustees Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey. Present: Trustees Quinn  
165 and Castaldo. Motion Carried.

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167 UNFINISHED BUSINESS Trustee Shapiro reported when information is received from the attorney  
168 a request will be made for input from the Industrial Association/Chamber of Commerce on the  
169 proposed International Building Code. Trustee Shapiro pointed out that the attorney is reviewing the  
170 affect this new code would have on businesses and residents. Trustee Quinn reported he has not  
171 received any information on the proposed International Building Code. Discussion followed.

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173 NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Kitching will provide new committee assignments next week.

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175 Motion by Trustee Collins to move into closed session to discuss pending, probable and imminent  
176 litigation affecting the Village; seconded by Trustee Graczyk. Roll #8: "Ayes": Trustees Castaldo,  
177 Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey. Motion carried.

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179 Following the closed session, Mayor Kitching called the meeting back to order.

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181 ADJOURNMENT

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183 Motion by Trustee Collins to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Graczyk. All in favor; none opposed.  
184 Motion carried at 8:32 p.m.

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187 Respectfully submitted,

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192 Clerk Deborah Venhuizen  
Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois