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VILLAGE OF ALSIP  
MINUTES OF  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
March 5, 2007

Mayor Kitching called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Clerk Venhuizen called the roll. Present: Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk and Godfrey. Also present Mayor Kitching, Clerk Venhuizen and Attorney Todd Hayden.

Mayor Kitching led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Kitching reported: a) the Trustees are invited to the Southwest Conference of Mayors meeting he will be hosting on March 29, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. at the Alsip Village Hall; b) cake and coffee will be served after the meeting in honor of the Village's 80<sup>th</sup> year anniversary; c) presentation of a Resolution to Enhance the Single Family Rehabilitation Program. Trustee Quinn requested removal of this item (Item C) from the Consent Agenda for further review and discussion. Mayor Kitching introduced Mr. Jerome Mytych, Director of External Affairs, AT&T Illinois. Mr. Mytych explained AT&T is proposing the Project Lightspeed program to municipalities as a video services program and providing DSL service to more of the Village. As a video service provider while offering competition to Comcast they are not subject to cable franchise agreements or regulations. In order to provide this service it will be necessary for AT&T to place lightspeed boxes in the right of ways near their existing equipment. In order to do so AT&T needs to obtain permits from the Village. Following a presentation and discussion, it was a consensus of the Board to allow AT&T to start the permit process.

CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Venhuizen will present the IDOT January 2007 MFT report allocating \$46,851.73 to the Village of Alsip.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Hayden reported: a) a settlement offer was received from Chicago Outdoor Billboard for discussion at the executive session this evening; b) regarding the increase in water/sewer rates, when information is received from the water department on water rates the formal ordinance will be prepared with an effective date of April 1, 2007; c) proposed agreement language received from AT&T for review.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: no report.

FINANCE REPORT: Trustee Graczyk presented: a) list of bills totaling \$563,694.81; b) an Ordinance Reserving Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues and Related Matters; c) request for approval to award the financing of the new fire truck to Midwest Bank, the low bidder.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Collins reported the new fire truck will be delivered this month.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) request for authorization to purchase five (5) new 2007 Dodge Charger patrol units through the State of Illinois at a cost of \$19,247 per unit to replace the existing units to be rotated from the fleet; b) request for authorization to change the organizational structure of the Alsip Police Department by eliminating one Deputy Chief of Police position, increasing the number of Lieutenants from two to three and adding the position of Technical Services Supervisor; c) request for approval of the Technical Services Supervisor position with responsibilities that include but are not limited to managing the Police Department's computer network, 911 emergency dispatch system, and managing and supervising the work of the communications and records divisions; d) request for authorization to hire a Technical Services Supervisor, an exempt employee with a salary range from \$55,000-\$65,000 depending upon qualifications, expect person to be hired by mid-April and change the wording of Item K on the Consent Agenda to read the same.

Chief Troy read the following into the minutes: "The decision to hire a supervisor for our technical services unit was not made lightly. It was done after consulting with unions, FOP and AFSME, as well as department employees, including Bob Ricker and Mike Rugar. This is a highly technical position requiring specific knowledge and experience. It will provide professional management of our information technologies unit for future years. It is done for two basic reasons: to move our agency to the next level of professionalism and to provide a higher quality of service to our residents.

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70 The future of law enforcement is technology driven. Our future plans involve replacing an antiquated  
71 computer network and 911 telephone system, revising our computer aided dispatch system, in-car  
72 computers and mobile video systems, and wireless business and residential alarm system. In addition,  
73 we will be developing a computerized records management and report writing system.  
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75 After assessing the current and future needs of our agency, we have concluded that, like many other  
76 area police departments, our department has a need to employ a full time Technology Services  
77 Supervisor to not only manage all the computerized aspects of the operation, but to supervise and tie  
78 together the 911 dispatch center and records divisions.”  
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80 e) request for approval to send three police officers to a three day training course for street crimes  
81 investigation at the Chicago Police Academy at a total cost of \$1,035 (budgeted item).  
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83 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: no report.  
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85 BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: Trustee Shapiro presented: a) the Building Department  
86 January 2007 monthly report; b) request from the Alsip Park District for authorization to place signs  
87 promoting upcoming programs and events at various locations throughout the Village with waiver of  
88 the permit fees; c) request from Jewel/Osco, 12001 S. Pulaski for permission to erect a 26’x 48’  
89 temporary greenhouse from April of 2007 through June of 2007, on Jewel property.  
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91 HEALTH & POLLUTION – no report.  
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93 SEWER & WATER: Trustee Quinn reported the Ordinance for the increase in water/sewer rates is  
94 not ready for passage. Trustee Quinn further reported the minutes from the discussion last week  
95 regarding not borrowing money for water/sewer projects was misleading. The Board is trying to  
96 minimize the amount of money borrowed. Trustee Godfrey reported he discussed the sewer increase  
97 further with Mike Behrens and understands that even with the borrowed money the increase is needed  
98 now in order to complete the projects. Mayor Kitching agreed that in order to be prepared for any  
99 catastrophic water problems the increase is necessary. Trustee Quinn presented a request for approval  
100 of an increase in the water and sewer fees for Alsip and authorization for the attorney to draft an  
101 ordinance.  
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103 LICENSE REPORT: Trustee Godfrey presented a list of licenses dated February 26, 2007.  
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105 PLANNING & ZONING REPORT: Trustee Quinn presented two requests to be forwarded to the  
106 Planning & Zoning Commission for Public Hearings: a) request from Reliable Fire, 4733 W. 128<sup>th</sup>  
107 Place for a setback variance from 25’ to 20’ to construct a building to house equipment;  
108 b) subdivision of one lot into two at the corner lot at 11854 S. Lawler; c) request for approval of  
109 Planning & Zoning Commission Case 2007-02, request by Gabriel and Maryann Dunican for a re-  
110 subdivision of property located at 11238 South Avon Avenue, Alsip, Illinois.  
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#### 112 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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114 VILLAGE PROPERTY: Trustee Castaldo presented an Ordinance authorizing the disposal of a  
115 generator no longer useful to the Village of Alsip.  
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117 INSURANCE COMMITTEE: no report.  
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119 ORDINANCE & LEGISLATION: Trustee Collins presented: a) an Ordinance providing for  
120 Permitted Uses in the B-1 Business District; b) an Ordinance Amending Chapter 12 (Licenses,  
121 Permits and Building Regulations), Article XIII (Massage Establishments and Therapists), of the  
122 Municipal Code of the Village of Alsip; c) an Ordinance Amending Chapter 16-58 of the Municipal  
123 Code Village of Alsip, County of Cook and State of Illinois; d) request for executive session to  
124 review salaries for management and confidential employees (non-union).  
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126 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT – no report.  
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135 BOAT LAUNCH: Trustee Godfrey presented: a) request for authorization to purchase a cabinet  
136 from American Security Cabinets at a cost of \$867.00 to handle larger banking bags and receipts;  
137 b) request for authorization to hire 5-6 seasonal employees to work at the Boat Launch for the period  
138 April 1, 2007 – October 31, 2007; c) report the new 2007 decals are orange in color in accordance  
139 with state stickers.

141 PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS

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143 CONSENT AGENDA

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145 Mayor Kitching asked if there are any items the Board would like to remove from the Consent  
146 Agenda.

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148 Clerk Venhuizen read selected items on the Consent Agenda:

- 149 A. Approval of minutes of February 19, 2007 Board meeting.  
150 B. Approval of minutes of February 26, 2007 Committee meeting.  
151 C. ~~Approval of a Resolution to Enhance the Single Family Rehabilitation Program.~~ (tabled)  
152 D. Acceptance of the IDOT January 2007 MFT report as presented.  
153 E. Approval of a list of bills totaling \$563,694.81.  
154 F. Approval of an Ordinance Reserving Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond  
155 Issues and Related Matters. Ordinance No. 2007-3-1.  
156 G. Approval to award the financing of the new fire truck to First Midwest Bank, low bidder.  
157 H. Authorization to purchase five (5) new 2007 Dodge Charger patrol units through the State of  
158 Illinois at a cost of \$19,247 per unit.  
159 I. Approval of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 16-58 of the Municipal Code Village of Alsip,  
160 County of Cook and State of Illinois, authorizing a change in the organizational structure of  
161 the Alsip Police Department. Ordinance No. 2007-3-2.  
162 J. Approval of the Technical Services Supervisor position with responsibilities that include but  
163 are not limited to managing the Police Department's computer network, 911 emergency  
164 dispatch system, and managing and supervising the work of the communications and records  
165 divisions.  
166 K. ~~Authorization to hire a Technical Services Supervisor, an exempt employee and approval of~~  
167 ~~an Ordinance Establishing the salary range for the Technical Services Supervisor.~~ (modified)  
168 Authorization to hire a Technical Services Supervisor, an exempt employee with a salary  
169 range from \$55,000 - \$65,000 depending upon qualifications; expect person to be hired by  
170 mid-April.  
171 L. Approval to send three police officers to a three day training course for street crimes  
172 investigation at the Chicago Police Academy at a total cost of \$1,035.  
173 M. Acceptance of the January 2007 Building Department monthly report.  
174 N. Approval for the Alsip Park District to place signs throughout the Village of Alsip promoting  
175 upcoming programs and events at various locations throughout the Village with waiver of the  
176 permit fees.  
177 O. Approval for Jewel/Osco, 12001 S. Pulaski, to erect a 26' x 48' temporary greenhouse from  
178 April 2007 through June 2007, on Jewel property.  
179 P. ~~Approval of an Ordinance increasing the water and sewer fees for Alsip.~~ (modified)  
180 Approval of an increase in the water and sewer fees for the Alsip and authorization for the  
181 Village attorney to draft an ordinance.  
182 Q. Approval of a list of licenses dated February 26, 2007.  
183 R. Authorization to forward the following two requests to the Planning & Zoning Commission  
184 for Public Hearings: 1) request from Reliable Fire, 4733 W. 128<sup>th</sup> Place, for a setback  
185 variance from 25' to 20' to construct a building to house equipment; 2) request for  
186 subdivision of one lot into two at the corner lot at 11854 Lawler.  
187 S. Approval of Planning & Zoning Commission Case 2007-02, request by Gabriel and Maryann  
188 Dunican for a re-subdivision of property located at 11238 South Avon Avenue, Alsip, Illinois.  
189 Ordinance No. 2007-3-152-1.  
190 T. Approval of an Ordinance authorizing Disposal of a Generator and the Engine for the  
191 Generator owned by the Village of Alsip. Ordinance No 2007-3-3.  
192 U. Approval of an Ordinance providing for Permitted Uses in the B-1 Business District.  
193 Ordinance No. 2007-3-152-2.

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- 201 V. Approval of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 12 (License, Permits and Building
  - 202 Regulations), Article XIII (Massage Establishments and Therapists), of the Municipal Code of
  - 203 the Village of Alsip. Ordinance No. 2007-3-4.
  - 204 W. Approval of the purchase of one cabinet from American Security Cabinets totaling \$867.00.
  - 205 X. Approval to hire 5-6 seasonal employees to work at the Boat Launch for the period April 1,
  - 206 2007 – October 31, 2007.
  - 207 Y. Acceptance of Committee Reports.

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209 Motion by Trustee Godfrey to accept the modified Consent Agenda as amended; seconded by Trustee  
210 Collins. Roll No. 1: Voting “aye”: Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro, Graczyk, Godfrey.  
211 Motion carried.

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213 Motion by Trustee Quinn to table Item C for further investigation; seconded by Trustee Godfrey. All  
214 in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

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216 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

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218 NEW BUSINESS: None.

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220 Motion by Trustee Collins to move into executive session to discuss compensation of specific  
221 employees and to discuss litigation filed, pending, affecting, involving or against the Village;  
222 seconded by Trustee Shapiro. Roll No. 2: Voting “aye”: Trustees Castaldo, Quinn, Collins, Shapiro,  
223 Graczyk, Godfrey. Motion carried.

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225 Mayor Kitching reconvened the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

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228 ADJOURNMENT

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230 Motion by Trustee Graczyk to adjourn; seconded by Trustee Collins. All in favor; none opposed.  
231 Motion carried at 9:25 p.m.

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234 Respectfully submitted,

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239 Clerk Deborah Venhuizen  
Village Clerk, Alsip, Illinois