

**Village of Dixmoor  
Executive Board Meeting  
October 23, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**INVOCATION – PRAYER**

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong led the assembly with a silence prayer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong led the assembly with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-present, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent-,Trustee Judnita Smith-present, Trustee Michael Smith-present,Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-present and Trustee Ira Rolark-present.

Also Present: Supt. Hurbert Darden, Village Attorney Hubert Thompson, Corporate Counsel James Vasselli, Assistant planner Tui Muse, Acting Deputy Clerk Kenisha Moman

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to approve the October 09, 2014 minutes.

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith

Seconded by: Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent-,Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes,Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes and Trustee Ira Rolark-yes.

Motion Carried.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated Trustee Yvonne Davis will be present by electronically.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated she called Trustee Yvonne Davis and no answer.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong mention Mr. Cody absent due to his wife being ill. Clerk Darden prior engagement. Happy birthday to Mr. John Thompson. Chief Burge absent due to official Police business. Mr. Louis Williams on vacation.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated Mr. Meechie the TIF Administrator is absent and he will give the board a report on TIF 2 and TIF 3.

Trustee Judnita Smith mentions maybe he will be here later. Did he commit to being here? What numbers is he trying to get?

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated the Clerk was going to scan the information to him.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated he has stepped up and will be working on TIF projects.

Trustee Michael Smith stated he very concerned about receiving a letter from Illinois State Comptroller and its dated Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong answered that's why she had a meeting with Meechie and will be addressing more issue with Mr. Louis Williams the treasurer.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion for approval of Village Administrative office to be closed November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014 (Veteran's Day)

Motion By: Trustee Michael Smith

Second by: Trustee Ira Rolark

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent-,Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes,Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes and Trustee Ira Rolark-yes.

Motion Carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to approve 2015 Holiday Schedule.

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith

Second by: Trustee Ira Rolark

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent-,Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes,Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes and Trustee Ira Rolark-yes.

Motion Carried.

### **CLERK'S REPORT**

Acting Deputy Clerk Kenisha Moman spoke about:

-Trick or Treat hours for the Village Hall 3pm to 5pm.

-Home going Services for De Anthony Jackson, services will be posted once arrangements are completed.

Trustee Michael Smith stated maybe we as a village can help the family out. A website has been set up for any donations Gofundme.com

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated Mr. Willie Davis 90 years old has passed. Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner will forward the information.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT & PROPOSAL APPOINTMENT

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated she will let the department do they reports.

#### Youth Committee

Trustee Michael Smith stated we are asking for consensus of the board for Dixmoor Rosa Parks basketball team, a Resolution was prepared by Corporation Counsel and we are asking for \$500 donation to the team. Trustee Michael Smith mention that majority of the players are from Dixmoor and the money can come out of the Youth Committee Fund.

Trustee Michael Smith mention that himself and Trustee Corner was collaborating on Community Event for the Youth and Seniors to come together on tentative date Friday December 19<sup>th</sup> from 12pm to 9pm.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated we are looking for about \$4000 to be split between both committee's and that is indoors.

Trustee Michael Smith stated then we talked about a trip for both committees' for Christmas to Navy Pier and that was for December 22<sup>nd</sup> from about 10am to 7pm.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated these events will be financed through both committees fliers will go out the charge is \$2 per person.

Trustee Judnita Smith stated, I would re-visit about the donation for Rosa Parks, that money was appropriated for Dixmoor residents.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated last year the village did make a donation to the school.

Trustee Judnita Smith stated a donation is fine, but coming out of the Youth Committee I don't see that.

Trustee Michael Smith stated majority of the players are from Dixmoor.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated just keep in mind; we do have another team out in Dixmoor so if you start donating to one you have to donate to all.

Trustee Michael Smith withdraws his Resolution, I feel that Dixmoor Youth can sponsor the trick or treat candies.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated last year she donated candy and other organization to.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated the Senior Committee will be having game day at the village hall on Thursday, October 30, 2014 from 1pm -7pm.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to approve \$4000 funds for Youth and Senior Christmas event to be split between both committees.

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith

Second by : Trustee Ira Rolark

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Ira Rolark-yes

Motion Carried.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to approve funds of \$1500 for field trip to be split between both committees.'

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith  
Second by: Trustee Ira Rolark

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Ira Rolark-yes  
Motion Carried.

#### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No Report.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT/APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Michael Smith stated I have a concern about the \$60,000 water bill. Why isn't this bill been taken care of we have received \$5000 in penalties for late payments, who is paying the bills when the Treasurer is gone?

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated the Treasurer has paid some bills before leaving.

Trustee Michael Smith stated I him and he said he had other bills he had that were priority and I told him that water bill by court order must be paid.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to approve the bill list.

Motion by: Trustee Judnita Smith  
Second by: Trustee Michael Smith

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Ira Rolark-yes

Motion Carried.

#### DEPARTMENT REPORT

##### PUBLIC WORKS/WATER DEPARTMENT

Supt. Hurbert Darden spoke about:

Public works is preparing for the winter time and the first pick up for salt will be tomorrow.

- secured 100 tons of salt
- streets are being patched

##### HUMAN RESOURCE

HR Ms. Shelia Ashley stated the website is coming out wonderful.

-need board to submit BIO

-Trustee Michael Smith is the only person has submitted his BIO.

- Three different quotes from three different companies as far as the marquee

- The cheapest is about \$17,000, its digital and blends very well with the building

- a quote for Dixmoor Flag as well.

##### POLICE

Report carried over from Monday.

## FIRE

No report

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts stated I know that I am not over the building dept. but they have torn down three of the properties and cleared the lots out for the properties up for demolition.

Trustee Michael Smith stated with the previous news I would hope the Village can go through and do some checks in all these abandon homes to make sure there are no bodies. So when the Police Chief comes back he can take an officer over there and get that taken care of.

## PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Planning Assistant Tui Muse spoke about:

Community center will be open for contractors October 27<sup>th</sup> to view the facility. Reports have been given out to the board.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated the anticipated date to clean up the townhomes will be November 12<sup>th</sup> and I'm not going to speak on it any further.

## ORDINANCES & RESOLUTION

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to approve AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19, SECTION 19-25 OF THE VILLAGE CODE REGARDING UNREASONABLE NOISE FOR THE VILLAGE OF DIXMOOR, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith

Second by: Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts

Discussion:

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated for the record can the Attorney chime in and give us the times

Legislative Counsel James Vasselli stated if the times are not acceptable, they can be changed through an amendment, as it reads 9:30pm to 7:00am on weekdays and 12:30am to 7:00am on weekends and holidays and those are the quite hours.

Roll Call: Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Ira Rolark-yes. 14-DO-18

Motion Carried.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to approve AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18, SECTION 18-91, OF THE VILLAGE CODE REGARDING PARKING REGULATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF DIXMOOR, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS.

Motion by; Trustee Michael Smith

Second by: Trustee Judnita Smith

Discussion:

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated I don't think we should change the code, I think that we should correct the situation in the neighborhood with the mailboxes and etc. I think that it's making it too complicated. I just don't agree with the setup of it all.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated if it pleases to table until we can meet because we haven't met yet

Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts stated Mayor we have been discussing this for the longest.

Attorney Hubert Thompson stated a motion to table takes precedence so if there is a motion to table see if you have a second.

Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts stated there was never a motion to table on the floor.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated, why can't the committee meet first and then if everything is checks out, we can vote on it we shouldn't just pass an ordinance if it is just personal to that specific person.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated I would like to make a motion to table this until further discussion

Motion by: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner

Second by: Trustee Ira Rolark

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-no, Trustee Michael Smith-no, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-no, Trustee Ira Rolark-yes

Motion Failed.

Trustee Michael Smith stated I would like to make a motion to accept AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18, SECTION 18-91, OF THE VILLAGE CODE REGARDING PARKING REGULATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF DIXMOOR, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith

Second by: Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-no, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Ira Rolark-no

Motion Carried.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to approve AN AMENDING CHAPTER 16, SECTION 16-29(B) OF THE VILLAGE CODE REGARDING CERTAIN BUSINESSES FOR THE VILLAGE OF DIXMOOR, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith

Second by: No second

Motion Failed due to a lack of second.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Rose Jackson spoke about:

In response to the Jackson family situation I was going to direct them to the Victim Assistance Fund I think it's should go through the State's Attorney or the AG office they assist .

Resident Myrtis Lollis 14124 Marshfield spoke about:

-Why isn't the discussion of the abatement of water bills not on the agenda? I would like to know the outcome of that situation.

Trustee Michael Smith stated there was an ordinance about the abatement of water bills I don't know why it's not on the agenda but there was an ordinance prepared by Legislative Counsel

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated since it's not on the agenda then we cannot address it or vote on it. I have already expressed my views on it and my counsel advice.

Attorney Hubert Thompson stated Trustee Michael Smith said that he circulated an Ordinance; it can be put on the Agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

Trustee Michael Smith stated, I don't know, maybe some mis-communication, I can send it back out to the board and clerk for the November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Resident Merdis Lollis stated in the meeting **Monday** there was a discussion about the running water on Wood street has anything been done.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner stated I know it was mentioned that Mr. Thompson was going to take care of that, I can't confirm as of right now weather he did or not.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated contact was made to Mr. Fisher and it was confirmed that it was Oak Forest and that they would be taking care of that problem.

Resident Merdis Lollis stated also about the dogs that's running loose in the trailer courts has anything been done about that.

Trustee Judnita Smith stated what I can do is get in touch with the Clerk and the Collector of the Village to see exactly how many tags have been given out to the people in the trailer court.

Resident Charlene McFadden 14334 Vail spoke about:

- Thanking Village for getting rid of the town homes
- Dogs are running wild
- what about the people that are do not have internet service
- The parking regulations ordinance I don't understand this.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to go into executive session to personnel /litigation issues.

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith  
Second by: Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Ira Rolark-yes

Motion Carried.

Executive Session at 8:43pm

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to go back into open session

Motion by: Trustee Judnita Smith  
Second by: Trustee Ira Rolark

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Ira Rolark-yes

Motion Carried.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated the purpose of executive session was to discuss pending litigation and personnel issue and at this time no action was taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm.

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith  
Second by: Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes, Trustee Yvonne Davis-absent, Trustee Judnita Smith-yes, Trustee Michael Smith-yes, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Ira Rolark-yes

Motion Carried.

Submitted November \_\_\_\_, 2014  
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October 23, 2014 executive board meeting minutes motion call.

Motion By:  
Seconded By:

YES NO

Trustee Yolanda Williams- Corner	___	___
Trustee Yvonne Davis	___	___
Trustee Judnita Smith	___	___
Trustee Michael Smith	___	___
Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts	___	___
Trustee Ira Rolark	___	___

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_