

**Village of Dixmoor
Executive Board Meeting
April 09, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong called meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

INVOCATION – PRAYER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Roll called showed the following Trustees present: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-present, Trustee Yvonne Davis-present, Trustee Judnita Smith-present, Trustee Michael Smith-absent, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-present and Trustee Ira Rolark-absent.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion for approval of March 26, 2015 minutes.

Motion by: Trustee Judnita Smith

Second by: Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts

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

Motion Carried.

Trustee Michael Smith arrived at 7:09 pm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a discussion for the approval of Dixmoor Public Library District usage of Firehouse or Village Hall.

Discussion:

Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts stated as far as them using the Firehouse I don't see that happening because we have public works equipment over there and who is going to be liable if someone was to get hurt at the firehouse. They can use the Village Hall I have no problems with that. Are they using it for meetings or what?

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated they are going to be having a six to eight week program for the youth here in Dixmoor, 3 days a week, so they want to use the firehouse, I thought at one time that the firehouse had a conference room downstairs.

Clerk Juanita Darden stated Mr. Cody's things are in there.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated okay, Mr. Cody has some stuff in there now so that may be a while before that room can be used because we just moved Mr. Cody over there. The firehouse is not going to be available. Ms. Juanita Davis can speak more on this.

Library Board Member Juanita Davis stated I am currently on the board, Monday I had given everybody a letter about the mentoring of youth that the Library Board is trying to implement it's a 6 week program 3 days a week, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 8:30-3:30 giving us thirty minutes before to set up and thirty minutes after to clean up and we propose that we use the firehouse or the Village Hall.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated my only concern is I don't know whether we will be doing our summer youth program, because they utilize this facility too, so I don't know how we are going to work that out.

Trustee Judnita Smith stated what are the ages? And is there a limit on the number of children

Juanita Davis stated 4th grade to 12th grade. And yes it shouldn't be more than 50 children, because the library is funding us all we need from Dixmoor is the space.

Trustee Judnita Smith stated I really wouldn't see a problem with it being here.

Trustee Michael Smith stated by the library board being separate government entity I know that you all have a current contract with the Village of Robbins they do have a library and a facility as well as the City of Harvey that I believe will accommodate the children. This is a place that has constant activity of customers in and out and I'm just thinking of the safety of the children.

Juanita Davis stated okay to answer his question, the library board does have a contract with Robbins but that is for the library facility, there's no bus to Robbins from Dixmoor, this is somewhere they can walk to and you are saying there is a facility in Harvey, this is for Dixmoor residence.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated this is for the convenience of Dixmoor and like I said if we can, we have no problem allowing you all the space.

Trustee Michael Smith stated my other question, have you reached out to our local school district.

Juanita Davis stated no they haven't had any conversations with the school district.

Trustee Judnita Smith stated that really sounds like a good idea I mean it's up to you but they do have rooms and desk already and I'm sure that they will work with the library board, I mean I have no problems with it being here if that's what you want to do but that was a good idea that Trustee brought up because everything is already set up.

Juanita Davis stated not only are we offering academics but as well as DJ sessions so they won't be sitting at a desk the whole time.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated the school does sound like a better option, seems like you all would have more space to offer but like I say if we can accommodate you in any way then I don't have a problem doing so, so like it was recommended have a conversation with the school district.

Trustee Michael Smith stated the other thing would be the insurance if they get hurt or anything does the Library Board have insurance so that liability doesn't fall on the Village.

Juanita Davis stated the Mentoring Service has liability insurance.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated let's see what the school district says if not it will be of the pleasure of the board to allow Dixmoor Library Board to use this facility for mentoring and other activities so we will put it back on the agenda.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion for approval of Certified Water System Operator Contract (For Contractual Operation of Public Water Supply)

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated this is a contract with Mr. Rufus Fisher, whom test our water and so the water reports. We are late with the contract if we want Mr. Fisher to continue to provide the service here to the Village of Dixmoor. He's doing the reports even though we have yet to approve the contract.

Trustee Michael Smith stated can we have the contract in front of us then I would like the Supt. to give his recommendation because that is his dept.

Supt. Hurbert Darden stated I give my recommendation he has been working diligently for us.

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

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

Motion Carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Juanita Darden spoke about:

- Youth Job & Resource Expo
- Dixmoor Mother's Day Luncheon
- Dixmoor Senior Games Day

Trustee Judnita Smith stated the Mother's Day Luncheon was this approved?

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated I don't know if you were at the meeting or not we discussed this and Trustee Corner put it together, I had suggested to her that we maybe do it the week before so it can be like a pre Mother's Day Luncheon, she forwarded the information to me and we decided to postpone at putting any flyers out until after the election and then we would put the flyers out

Trustee Judnita Smith stated was I the only one that missed this did any of the other Board Members know about this?

Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts stated it was mentioned on Monday but again the flyers were not supposed to go out yet because it wasn't voted on but unfortunately they went out already

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated I have never known for us to vote on a flyer we have sent flyers out before without the approval of the board the flyer is stating what will take place May 2nd she has always put flyers out.

Trustee Judnita Smith stated maybe we are misunderstanding each other, I'm saying we have to approve this money right so the flyers can't go out until we approve it because what if we don't approve it this evening and flyers have already went out.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated I don't see a reason why you wouldn't approve the money to have a Mother's Day Luncheon

Trustee Judnita Smith stated this is a great thing but every day I drive down Lincoln and I'm looking at the streets but we're steady having parties. We need to utilize some of this money to get street signs or something like that so the residence can see something because Lincoln is very bad.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated we are trying to structure something we never had before, doing something for our seniors in Dixmoor.

Trustee Judnita Smith stated and when we first approved this I didn't think we would be doing it every month but it would maybe be every 3 months or something but we are doing something every month and I'm constantly hearing we don't have the money, but we are constantly coming up with money for these events.

MAYOR'S REPORT & PROPOSAL APPOINTMENT

Report Carried Over From **Monday**.

Trustee Michael Smith made a motion to table the Employee Appreciation Day to the end of the year and move to appreciate the employees with the years of service and the rest be set aside.

Motion by: Trustee Judnita Smith
Second by: Trustee Fitzgerald Robert

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

Motion Carried.

Youth Committee

Trustee Michael Smith spoke about the Health fair tentative date August 01, 2015. We are also looking to collaborate a clean-up day with the youth May 11th-May 16th.

Senior Committee

Trustee Michael Smith made a motion to table the approval of \$500.00 for Dixmoor Senior Citizens Game Day. (April 24, 2015)

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

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

Motion Carried.

Trustee Michael Smith made a motion to table the approval of \$1000.00 for Mother's Day Celebration. (May 02, 2015)

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

Roll Call: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-no, Trustee Yvonne Davis-no, 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

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion for approval of the bills.

Motion by: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner

Second by: Trustee Yvonne Davis

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

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong vote "YES" to pay the bill list.

Motion Carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

PUBLIC WORKS/WATER DEPARTMENT

Supt. Hubert Darden submitted report on Monday.

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion for approval of 30 vest for the public works dept.

Motion by: Trustee Michael Smith

Second by: Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts

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

Motion Carried.

HUMAN RESOURCE

HR Sheila Ashley submitted report on Monday.

POLICE

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong stated as of today Chief Burge is no longer with us, we will be having a special meeting regarding this issue April 16th, 2015.

FIRE

No report.

Trustee Ira Rolark stated that a fire report will be given at the end of the month.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Report carried over from Monday.

PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Report carried over from Monday.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTION

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Marjorie Hudson-Walker a resident spoke about:

-Why village not having the Senior Games Day

-why the board voted it down

-sometimes this the only meal a senior gets

-the board needs to get it together

Ms. Wendy Casey a resident spoke about:

- her concerns
- election is over April 07, 2015
- board allocated money for the youth
- fliers have already gone out
- village needs to fix pot holes
- village needs to put up street signs
- election is over and we need all to get along
- senior citizens that built this village and don't want to spend a \$1000.00

Ms. Juanita Davis a resident spoke about:

- resident since 1983
- long then a lot of people on the board
- not pleased with this board
- approval from \$500.00 Easter Egg Hunt
- not approve \$500.00 for Games Day and @1,000.00 for Senior
- Embarrassment to the residents
- I don't get up and say nothing at the village
- we can vote you in and we can vote you out

Ms. Arletta Evans a resident spoke about

- department heads should be at **Thursday** night meeting
- Robo calls (Love It) (let's use it for letting residents know it's a meeting)

Ms. Charlene Fadden a resident spoke about:

- very rude
- Ms. President please pay attention to what's going on in the audience

Ms. Jesse Broadway a resident spoke about:

- we never asked the village for anything for Mo-PHI
- we have over a \$1000.00
- Mo-PHI picnic for 20 years

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dorothy D. Armstrong entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm.

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

By consent.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Submitted April ____, 2015

Correction Submitted April ____, 2015

Approval April ____, 2015

April 09, 2015 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: _____

Juanita Darden

Village Clerk