

Village of Dixmoor
Executive Board Meeting
Thursday, February 14, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Yvonne Davis called meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Mayor Yvonne Davis wish everybody a Happy Valentine's Day.

INVOCATION – PRAYER

Mayor Yvonne Davis lead the assembly with prayer.

Mayor Yvonne Davis asked to pray for our nation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Yvonne Davis led the assembly with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call: Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner-h, Trustee Toni Mitchell-a (had to work late), Trustee Cynthia Mossuto-h, Trustee Raymond Lavigne-a, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-h, Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-h.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Mayor Yvonne Davis entertained a motion to approve Executive Board Meeting minutes for February 14, 2019.

Motion by: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner

Second by: Trustee Cynthia J. Mossuto

Discussion: Clerk Darden stated corrections was submitted by Trustee Cynthia Mossuto.

In the minutes is stated Mayor Yvonne Davis stated she informed the Prime Group that she did not want any surprise and she would withdraw them from coming in town.

Correction: Mayor Yvonne Davis stated she informed the Prime Group that she did not want any surprise and if she finds out that there are some surprises, she would withdrew her yes vote.

Roll Call: Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner-yes, Trustee Toni Mitchell-absent – Trustee Cynthia Mossuto-yes, Trustee Raymond Lavigne-absent, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes.

Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Daniel J. Nellum requesting a business license...

Ms. Linda Washington spoke about:

Daniel J. Nellum was a:

-social worker and humanitarian who honed his skills for designing, managing and operating group homes in the Washington, D.C. area

Ms. Linda Washington also spoke about:

- she currently serves as the Executive Director for Daniel J. Nellum
- she a license Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) over 34 years' experience
- services offered at Nellum include case management, counseling, medical, recreational therapy, education, housekeeping, food services and life skills training
- Nellum staff specializes in working with at risk youth and uses a unique approach to engage clients
- Nellum staff assist clients in stabilizing their lives, by providing support, nurturing, and wide array of services
- young men have history of physical and neglect abuse
- young men get a chance to be youth rather than adult care takers for siblings
- quarterly Nellum board meetings
- quarterly DCFS monitor facility/service inspections
- pop up inspections and interview youth
- youth service plan and care reviewed every 6 months by DCFS
- clients usually stay about 30 days
- when they walk through the door, they are building a relationship and letting them know they are safe
- have a client team – nurse, social worker etc.
- bring your attention many entities internal and external
- everything is it up to part
- they have COA National Accreditation
- the front

Trustee Cynthia Mossuto asked:

- for location of the facility and how many square feet would the company take up in building?
- how many resident
- are they able to walk the ground at the facility
- some doctors come in for assessment

Ms. Linda Washington answered:

- 14127 Mancuso Rd/Sibley Avenue
- take up about a little under 6000 sq. foot
- resident 12 max-10 clients get a pay rate for 10
- supervised staff 12 am – 8am, 8am – 4pm, 4pm – 1230 am
- other staff and security (24 hours on the weekend)
- Ms. Linda Washington would be there Monday thru Friday (on call 24 hours a day)
- due to PSTD

Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner asked about:

- how long you been back in practice with DCFS
- they have stop sending kids to your facility on 51st
- where have you been operating at
- is DCFS placing clients at your facility
- GA is when somebody come in check on the place

Ms. Linda Washington answered:

- has been in business with DCFS for over 20 years
- had clients ongoing up until September

- we had a situation where a client got hurt outside (trying to shake
- street behind a high school and their front door is the bus stop
- lots of staff
- checks and balance
- area has come to a challenge for organization
- no DCFS is not placing client at the organization now-the organization was never closed

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner asked:

- Is there going to be all males
- What is the age
- school situation setup
- who transporting
- typical day is what
- do you have quarterly board meeting
- what bout monthly meeting
- what type of youth

Ms. Linda Washington answered:

- all males
- age group 14 to 21 years
- try to keep the males in their home school
- work with DCFS liaison
- youth that are in college, seniors in high school, special vocation program
- Mr. Fuller is the owner of the building and he have a transportation company
- wide variety of resources
- during the day they are either in school
- DCFS assessment tool
- behavior manage that is tied to their allowance and privileges
- they have 3 vans
- they have a daily schedule
- Every shift supervisor youth counsel
- every month DCFS do a facility inspection
- some youth are homeless

Police Chief Burge asked about:

- issue he have
- some youth are part of Illinois Correction
- some have criminal background
- chief grow up in town
- average people \$40,000
- resident keep lawn
- concern about community
- same question I was asking
- if they leave the facility are, they able to come back
- intake process
- do they object about (Aunt Martha)
- issue citizens need to know (me as Police Chief that we keep the citizens safety)
- issue prior with another facility concept was good

-will not have people coming to the community and disrupt it

Ms. Linda Washington answered:

- they need to work or in school
- lot of expectation doing what they
- not supposed to be running around

Mayor Yvonne Davis stated, we will not be voting on the license tonight and we will reserve it for the next board meeting. (February 28, 2019)

Mayor Yvonne Davis asked by consent that the board move Public Works up on the agenda.

Department Reports

Economic Development, Planning and Zoning

Mr. Charles Johnson absent.

Insurance, Risk Management and Personnel

Ms. Linda Kellar spoke about:

- Osha 2018 report need to be completed by March 01 or 02, 2018
- first report workmen comp their looking how handling people getting injury on job end of the month
- reporting employee population
- employees of 2018 and average hours
- 2nd report
- starts with audit
- next week from IPRF workmen compensation
- getting a quote for new year
- trying to get the best quote for the village

Finance and Appropriations

Cash Report & Bills' List (January 10, 2019)

Mayor Yvonne Davis entertained a motion to approve the bill list for February 14, 2109 in the amount of \$204,228.07.

Mayor Davis stated treasurer mention payment with City of Harvey and the description was December fire service and the large amount should be for City of Harvey water service.

Motion by: Trustee Cynthia J. Mossuto Second by: Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner

Roll Call: Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner-yes, Trustee Toni Mitchell-absent, Trustee Cynthia Mossuto-yes, Trustee Raymond Lavigne-absent, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-no for matter or record because he wants to with Jamie and it's stated that the meeting has to be posted due to, too many elected officials are in the building.

Mayor Yvonne Davis asked Trustee Roberts where you got that information from.

Trustee Roberts answered from the State's Attorney, due to you was here.

Mayor Davis stated, I was in my office and I never come in your meeting when you are meeting with the treasurer. (Clerk I want this for matter or record.)

Mayor Davis also stated you and any other Trustees can have a meeting with the treasurer without having an Open Meeting session.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes.

Motion passed for the bill list. \$204,228.07.

Mayor Davis stated back on the record: I am catching up on work that I need to when Jamie is here and Trustee Roberts I want every board member to feel comfortable and make an appointment we know with the Open Meeting Act.

Public Works and Water;

Supt. Paris Steele spoke about:

- the village got hit with snow
- thanked the residents for having your cars off the streets
- cold snap had (2) water main breaks (29 circle drive) and (143 Honore)
- had to take light pole out on Circle Drive
- Community Center have a wrought fence around all three units

Police and Fire;

Mayor Davis stated Fire Liaison Pete McCain called off and said he wouldn't be here today.

Police Chief Ron Burge said its no official report.

Police Chief Burge spoke about:

- Dixmoor is a safe community
- look around other towns we don't have the homicide that Dolton have
- we not like Harvey
- community is safe (because the residents make it safe)
- always said in police department contact the Police Chief
- Police Chief Burge stated he takes great pride in his job

Mayor Davis commence the police department for doing a great job.

Clerk's Report

Clerk Darden announced:

- Village Stickers are still on sale (deadline March 31, 2019)
- Dixmoor Apostolic House of Prayer (every 3rd Saturday from 12pm- 1pm) free hot meal
- Thornton Township is a Black History Month on Friday, February 22, 2019 from 10am – 1pm
- Administrative Office will be closed for President Day (February 12, 2019)

Mayor's Report & Proposed Appointments (with action if needed)

Mayor Davis asked to amend the agenda to give a brief update on the community center.

Board stated by consent.

Mayor Davis mention she do not have a report or proposed appointments right now.

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner gave a quick story about how the Dixmoor Community Center begin.
-around 2007 Jessie Jackson Jr. called Mayor Keevan Grimmatt (Village Mayor at that time) and said that he had some money that we can add on to this building. Mr. Jesse Jackson stated the money had to be spent so Mayor Grimmatt had the money directed to Menard's and shell of a building was taken over to 143rd and Paulina.

-Trustee Corner also mention the building sat and sat because Jesse Jackson Jr. got into some trouble with President Obama seat so we could no longer get funds that he promised.

-the building sat for several years and in 2014 under Mayor Dorothy Armstrong administration John Thompson a grant writer and Robinson Engineer wrote a grant to IDNR (Illinois Department of Natural Resource) and they won the grant 1.2 million dollars to rehab the shell that had sat there so many years.

-when Governor Rauner came into office he froze everything to get a handle on things.

-approximately 8 months he told us that the grant was ok and we had to go back to the DNR for an extension

-Mayor Davis assigned Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner, Trustee Cynthia J. Mossuto and Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner to sit on the committee with the construction and lighting company.

Trustee Corner stated the project is about 99.9% completed as of tomorrow this committee will be in a meeting to look at 3 things adt – fire alarm, the pictures on the wall is rendering what is going on it's not a 20 million building but it's a 1.2 million building that our community will be happy with.

Every 2 weeks the committee will give an update about the community center.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Gabrielle Sansonetti spoke about:

-she came to board to ask for money for an appraisal for Wyman Gordon

-the appraisal is completed for Wyman Gordon

-just received it and will be sending it out in the next couple of days

-it was some issue trying to figure out with respect it was a no remediation letter submitted

-some further environment improvement

-she spoke with the engineer that had assisted in the initial clean-up off the property

-need to be done by whoever that is going to develop the land

-attorney just want to get a second opinion

-be useful to get a second opinion

Mayor Yvonne Davis entertained a motion to give the attorney the authority to contract with Robinson Engineer to provide authorization a second opinion about an environment remediation needed at the needed Wyman Gordon property. (no more than \$1000.00)

Motion by: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner

Second by: Trustee Cynthia J. Mossuto

Discussion: Trustee Roberts asked us it a big rush from now and the next meeting to find how much to charge for appraisal.

Roll Call: Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner-yes, Trustee Toni Mitchell-absent – Trustee Cynthia Mossuto-yes, Trustee Raymond Lavigne-absent, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes.

Motion carried.

Attorney Gabrielle Sansonetti stated once we get the appraisal then we can go back and talk to the developer.

Attorney Gabrielle Sansonetti stated that she had asked the board for her to participate in a water study with the other participant who was getting their water from City of Harvey and the bill came back at \$5200.00 so, I would be asking extended the \$5200.00 to \$6,000.00

Mayor Yvonne Davis entertained a motion to extend the water study to from \$5200.00 to \$6,000.00.

Motion by: Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner

Second by: Trustee Cynthia J. Mossuto

Roll Call: Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner-yes, Trustee Toni Mitchell-absent – Trustee Cynthia Mossuto-yes, Trustee Raymond Lavigne-absent, Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts-yes, Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner-yes.

Motion carried.

Attorney Gabrielle Sansonetti gave some updates on:

- Tif #2 is expiring
- we need to get move on that
- next meeting we have information on allowing the TIF to expire vs. extending Tif and the benefits
- we be asking for a vote or determine which path to take
- report Ms. Valerie Ross has agreed to accept the contract and that item will be closed

Ordinances & Resolution

None.

Public Comment

Mr. Jessie Fuller asked about:

- agenda request for Life House Bridge (February 28, 2019)
- the back road going to the facility is bad

Mr. Tom Fagan from Government Solution spoke about:

- his contract in November 2016
- having a hard time getting information
- trying to get village money back from their utility bills

Trustee Yolanda Williams-Corner answered she gave the information to the village attorney.

Mayor Davis stated to Mr. Fuller the village wants a list of all the narcotics that will be given out and the license of the individuals and pharmacist that will be supplying and administered on file with the village.

Executive Session (Action if needed)

None

Adjournment

Mayor Yvonne Davis entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

By consent.

Time 8:12 pm

Submitted February___, 2019
 Correction Submitted February , 2019
 Approval February___, 2019

Executive board meeting minutes' motion call.

Motion By:
 Seconded By:

	YES	NO
Trustee Yolanda Williams- Corner	___	___
Trustee Fitzgerald Roberts	___	___
Trustee Raymond Lavigne	___	___
Trustee Cynthia Mossuto	___	___
Trustee Toni Mitchell	___	___
Trustee Alda Leavy-Skinner	___	___

ABSENT: _____

Juanita Darden
Village Clerk