

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
VILLAGE OF TOLONO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 16, 2015**

A meeting of the Village of Tolono Board of Trustees (“Board”) was held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015. Trustees present: Rena Anderson, Mike Golish, Jacquie Miller, Rob Murphy, and Ryan Perry. Others present Mayor Jeff Holt, Engineer Larry Johnson, Attorney Marc Miller, and Clerk Dixie Phillips, Chief Rainey, Tolono Park District (“TPD”) Representatives: were Randy Grace and Matt McCormick President, Steve Beckman, Owner of Anything Wild, and Zoning Board of Appeals Administrator Randy Bachert.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Holt and Clerk Phillips took roll call. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comments: Jeff and Vicki Millsap relayed to the Board that the diseased trees on their rental property are a hazard. Mayor Holt told them that he would have them looked at and if, in fact, they are a hazard, have them removed.

Public Works Department (“PWD”): Trustee Golish reported that he is still working on the appropriation and needed the following information: figures from the PWD; purchase orders from PDW, and whether or not the Police Department needed a new squad car. Mayor Holt informed the Board that they are looking into getting a SUV to possibly replace an old squad car.

Mayor Holt also reported that he had asked office staff to order ten new water meters.

Reports: Engineer Johnson reported on the Contractor’s Application for Payment No. 2 through the end of May in the amount of \$224,645.95, no adjustments were found necessary. Trustee Golish made a motion, second by Trustee Murphy to pay the May statement. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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| Rena Anderson – Yes | Mike Golish – Yes | Jacquie Miller – Yes |
| Rob Murphy – Yes | Ryan Perry – Yes | _____ |

Mr. Johnson said the Consumer Confidence Report that was submitted to the Board on May 19, 2015 needs to be sent to County Star on Friday for publication to fulfill EPA’s requirement. Trustee Murphy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Anderson to have the Report published. All ayes, motion passed.

Mr. Johnson reported that bids for repairing the bridge on 800 North are not out yet because the Corp of Engineers still has the final documents needing signed. Mr. Johnson discussed split proposal: getting bids for installation and then getting bids for the material and labor. Trustee Golish approved of the split decision and Trustee Murphy agreed only if the county would split the fees for the extra bid. Trustee Miller agreed with Trustee Murphy. Mayor Holt and Trustee Anderson said they might be able to assist in getting the documents signed.

Mr. Johnson relayed to the Board that he had received two proposals for three catch basins in the Village parking lot: Duce Construction - \$17,720 but that they were too busy to take on the job, and Stewart Construction - \$9, 2274.40, less \$500 if the Board goes with a Type A inlet. Trustee Murphy made a

motion, seconded by Trustee Golish to approve Stewart's proposal not to exceed \$10,000. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

Rena Anderson – Yes
Rob Murphy – Yes

Mike Golish – Yes
Ryan Perry – Yes

Jacque Miller – Yes

Mr. Johnson reported that the new zoning map is still in draft form because of property that is not annexed to the village, asking if the Village planned on annexing or leaving as it. Trustee Anderson said she was still working on the property that has not been annexed.

Whether or not to authorize Farnsworth Group to prepare plans, specs and cost estimate for Walnut Street was deferred to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The May Police Report was distributed, showing 23 written and 8 verbal warnings issued, with a total number of calls for April of 139.

There was nothing to report from the Zoning Administrator or from the Building Official.

Minutes: Trustee Murphy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Anderson to approve the minutes of June 2, 2015. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Mayor Holt reported he is still working on retaining someone to serve as Village Treasurer.

Mayor Holt said there was one person interested in filling the Trustee position but nothing has been confirmed. Trustee Anderson said she might have someone interested as well.

Mayor Holt advised that the issue with storing temporary construction equipment storage had been resolved.

Randy Grace, Director of TPD, introduced Matt McCormick as the new President of the TPD. Mr. Grace asked the Board for a loan of \$100,000, with no interest and to be paid back in one year with an option to extend payment to two years, so the TPD can finish up the East Side Park. Mayor Holt told Mr. Grace that he would contact TIF representative Gwen Crawford about obtaining an intergovernmental agreement. A straw poll was taken and all trustees agreed to approve the loan. In a different matter, Mr. Grace agreed to provide the Board with estimates for the sidewalk and aprons at the park.

Attorney Miller said he would copy the Board on what he has done to date concerning letters sent to property owners not in compliance with Village ordinances. Mayor Holt reported that he had asked office staff to send a second letter to homeowners. Trustee Anderson said 702 N Vorcey could be removed from the list. Chief Rainey said the issue at 327 Windstone was fixed.

The issue with the detention pond at Deer Path Subdivision was deferred to next meeting.

Attorney Miller will contact Denny Davis again over the old fire truck on Village property.

Trustee Murphy said he had not spoken with Trustee Ryan’s contact but he spoke and met with someone else about it. He reported that if Internet and green space were included it would be a good proposition. He also wants to see how the Library locks down its internet.

New Business:

Trustee Golish made a motion to approve the 2015 Prevailing Wage Ordinance (No. 2015-10), seconded by Trustee Anderson; motion carried.

Trustee Murphy advised the Board that field trucks were going through town and that perhaps the Board should consider a posted truck route. Attorney Miller will work with Trustee Murphy on creating an ordinance for a truck route to be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

The issue with the detention pond in Deer Path Subdivision was deferred to the next meeting because the HOA is looking for solutions.

Trustee Anderson reported that there is nothing the Village can do concerning the use of “Village of Tolono” on social media by individuals not associated with the Board. Trustee Golish suggested sending a letter to the owner of the similar website to put something on disclaiming their association with the Village website. Trustee Golish will send the letter rather than having Attorney Miller send an “official” letter.

Steve Beckman of Anything Wild told the Board that the fee for trapping coyotes is \$425 per captured coyote and that the coyotes are then humanely euthemized rather than relocating them because they would just come back to the area. Mayor Holt advised the Board that Trustee Ryan had told him that he did not approve of hiring Anything Wild because he felt the money could be better used elsewhere for the Village. Trustee Golish thought a cap of about \$2,000 should be set; Trustees Anderson said no; with Trustees Miller and Golish agreeing. Trustee Golish made a motion, seconded by Trustee Murphy, to retain Anything Wild not to exceed \$2,125 (5 coyotes). A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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| Rena Anderson – No | Mike Golish – Yes | Jacquie Miller – Yes |
| Rob Murphy – Yes | Ryan Perry – Absent | _____ |

Trustee Anderson reported that she had e-mailed a base map to use for everything the Village will create. The map is \$22.92 and to map the TIF District it would be \$45/hour making other maps less expensive because they will not consume so much time. Attorney Miller advised the Board that the maps would be cost-saving in the first month for engineers and others needing to obtain information. Trustee Anderson will take care of obtaining final maps.

There were no sewer credits.

The appropriation for May 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016 was deferred to the next Board meeting.

Pay Bills: None

Greg Doulas and Bryan James, CPA with Martin Hood Friese & Associates LLC addressed the Board concerning the Village’s retirement fund. Mayor Holt wants to pay it down, approximately \$300,000, but Mr. Douglas said the Village is paying its requirement and there was no real benefit to paying it down. Mayor Holt said he has seen the figures double since he has been on the Board. The auditors that 50% to 70% is their best recollection of the approximate threshold of a severely underfunded pension plan according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Matt Talbot of the Loose Cobra reported that at his event there would be food truck in the parking lot and port-a-pots at his event, and that there would be fencing around the area so outsiders could not see the stage and/or the band. He also asked for a special permit for a smaller scale event for July 3, 2015. The Board decided they would hold a continued meeting to vote on the issue.

Executive Session:

At 9:10 p.m. Trustee Murphy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Miller to enter into Executive Session for the limited purposes of discussing the performance, compensation and/or employment of one or more Village employees. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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| Rena Anderson – Yes | Mike Golish – Yes | Jacquie Miller – Yes |
| Rob Murphy – Yes | Ryan Perry – Absent | _____ |

At 9:40 p.m. Trustee Golish made a motion, seconded by Trustee Anderson to leave Executive Session and return to Regular Session. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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| Rena Anderson – Yes | Mike Golish – Yes | Jacquie Miller – Yes |
| Rob Murphy – Yes | Ryan Perry – Absent | _____ |

At 9:43 p.m. Trustee Anderson made a motion to continue the meeting until Tuesday, June 23, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. and to amend the agenda to add “consideration of granting a special event liquor license for property located to the Loose Cobra Bar on 113 W Main Street, Tolono, Illinois”, and for the Clerk to post the agenda and notice of the continued meeting at the Village Hall and to send it to the press. A roll call vote was taken and the following votes were cast passing the motion:

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| Rena Anderson – Yes | Mike Golish – Yes | Jacquie Miller – Yes |
| Rob Murphy – Yes | Ryan Perry – Absent | _____ |

Respectfully submitted,
Dixie L. Phillips, Clerk