

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2012
13840 S. CICERO AVE., CRESTWOOD, IL 60445

CALL TO
ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Mayor Robert Stranczek

ROLL
CALL

Those in attendance: Mayor Robert Stranczek, Trustee Fowler, Trustee Presta Trustee Hirsch, and Trustee Flynn

Also present: Village Services Director Bill Graffeo

Absent: Trustee Wasag, and Trustee Toscas

DISCUSSION

1. Crestwood Recreation and Wellness Director Joe Sadowski came in to meet with the Mayor and Committee. A good discussion followed with the CRWC doing well.

VILLAGE SERVICES
DIRECTOR REPORT

1. Work is in progress on the salt dome. This project has highlighted the need for the Village to purchase a bobcat in the future. We always have to rent one when needed. A mid-range one with both buckets.
2. We will need to order the new command vehicle for the fire department as the state purchase does not come in red. The price is \$28,850.
3. Possible deal with Public Safety Direct, a business in town, to trade the large dump that is for sale, for his work on the new command vehicle.
4. The new website that will soon be in use is villageofcrestwoodil.gov, it will have the option of paying your water bill on line. This will be done

through pay pal and there is a fee. Discussion followed. The Mayor and Committee are all ok on passing this fee along to the customer as a convenience fee. Approximate fee of \$2.00.

MAYOR'S REPORT

ON PENDING

MATTERS

1. The Union request was certified today 11/20/12. A committee will be formed consisting of Attorney Jill Leka, a Trustee, and Village Services Director Bill Graffeo to negotiate the contract with the union.
2. The Committee will review the employee salaries in December. New figures from our accountant Jim Smaron in regards to spending and receipts.
3. The Mayor was contacted by Bryce and Downey to say they will no longer be handling our case, as the attorney working on this has left the firm.
4. The Mayor received a thank you note from the Carl Pace family.
5. The Mayor received a note from a person who received a handicap violation asking for a break from the fine.
6. It has come to the attention of the Mayor that 7 checks have not been cashed from the water litigation account. The Mayor will contact our attorney David Sosin to see if the account can be closed.
7. The Police Department has requested a new status of Probationary Police Officer at a salary of .25 less than the certified Police Officer. Mayor and Committee are all ok. Attorney David Sosin will need to draw up a new ordinance.
8. The Police Department has also requested permission to give over-time hours to our full-time officers who fill shifts when needed. The Mayor and Committee are all ok with a cap of 30 hours per full-time officer.

UNFINISHED

BUSINESS

1. Trustee Flynn asked regarding the status of the new Chipolte Restaurant. Just waiting on completion of deal and permits to be issued.

2. Mitch's Pub has closed its doors, units for rent.
3. Ingalls still very interested in coming to a Crestwood location.

NEW

BUSINESS

1. Trustee Flynn in conjunction with the Fire Department will be holding a blood drive on December 9, 2012 at the CRWC.
2. Trustee Presta has heard that Lowe's is interested in coming into a Crestwood location by the canal. Looking for ok from MWRD.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Fowler motioned for adjournment, seconded by Trustee Flynn at 8:41 p.m.