## **MINUTES**

## Administration & Legal Committee July 9, 2019 - 6:30 p.m.

Village Hall of Tinley Park – Council Chambers 16250 S. Oak Park Avenue Tinley Park, IL 60477

Members Present: W. Brady, Chairman

M. Glotz, Village Trustee W. Brennan, Village Trustee

Members Absent: None

Other Board Members Present: None

Staff Present: D. Niemeyer, Village Manager

P. Carr, Assistant Village Manager B. Bettenhausen, Village Treasurer P. Connelly, Village Attorney

F. Reeder, Fire Chief

D. Riordan, Deputy Fire Chief/Fire Prevention

S. Tencza, Patrol Commander

L. Valley, Executive Assistant to the Manager and Trustees

H. Lipman, Management Analyst

C. Mikrut, Intern

L. Carollo, Commission/Committee Secretary

Item #1 - The meeting of the Administration & Legal Committee was called to order at 7 p.m.

<u>Item #2 – CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION & LEGAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 11, 2019</u> – Motion was made by Trustee Brennan, seconded by Trustee Glotz, to approve the minutes of the Administration & Legal Committee meeting held on June 11, 2019. Vote by voice call. Chairman Brady declared the motion carried.

Item #3 – DISCUSS ELECTRICAL AGGREGATION - The Village has been part of an "opt out" electric aggregation program that was authorized by the State of Illinois since 2011, which has saved residents millions of dollars since inception. The Village goes out to bid for electric power and residents are automatically enrolled with the new supplier unless they opt out after receiving notification by mail. Regardless of the electric provider, ComEd remains the distributor. Last year NIMEC, who oversees the electric aggregation program for the Village, went out to bid for a new supplier. However, NIMEC found that due to changing market conditions a supplier could not be secured below the ComEd default rate of 7.75 cents/kwh. NIMEC recommended a 100% green aggregation program with MC Squared, recognizing Tinley Park as an EPA-designated green power community. The program consisted of calculating the price for each individual account in Tinley Park and switching only the accounts for which power costs less than the ComEd's default rate to MC Squared. The remainder of the accounts that were costlier to serve remained on ComEd's supply service. However, the entire aggregation community received 100% renewable energy for all power consumed, for which MC Squared purchased Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs). RECs were set up by the federal government and monitored as validation of 100% renewable energy. No additional costs were incurred by residents or businesses with the inception of the 100% green aggregation program. The current contract with MC Squared will expire in October 2019.

Currently, there are approximately 19,000 accounts in the Village's electric aggregation program. As a result of the Village's participation in the 100% green aggregation program, Tinley Park is ranked #5 in the United States designated by the EPA as a green power community.

The Administration & Legal Committee received initial bid results for this upcoming year. Similar to last year, no bids came back lower than the ComEd base rate of 7.052 cents/kwh. MC Squared once again has bid to match the ComEd rate and continue the 100% green aggregation program.

David Hoover of NIMEC and a representative from the Environmental Enhancement Commission were present to answer any questions. Mr. Hoover summarized the "opt out" available option for residents. The Environmental Enhancement Commission has worked and will continue to work closely with NIMEC to ensure the rates, regardless of supplier, are the same average. Mr. Hoover stated the Village has the option to approve the program for a 1 year, 2 year or 3-year term and recommended a 2-year term, as significant pricing changes are not expected within a 2-year period.

Motion was made by Trustee Glotz, seconded by Trustee Brennan, to recommend a 2-year electrical aggregation program contract renewal with MC Squared to provide 100% renewable energy be brought forward to the Village Board meeting. Vote by voice. Chairman Brady declared the motion carried.

## <u>Item #4 – RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u> - No comments from the public.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Chairman Brady, seconded by Trustee Glotz, to adjourn this meeting of the Administration & Legal Committee. Vote by voice call. Chairman Brady declared the motion carried and adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

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