

Minutes of the Executive Session  
Committee of the Whole Meeting  
September 13, 2016 7:30 p.m.  
Village of Tinley Park  
@ Village Hall of Tinley Park

Motion was made by Trustee Vandenberg, seconded by Trustee Suggs, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss:

The purpose of this Executive Session was to discuss:

- A. LITIGATION, WHEN AN ACTION AGAINST, AFFECTING OR ON BEHALF OF THE PARTICULAR PUBLIC BODY HAS BEEN FILED AND IS PENDING BEFORE A COURT OR ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, OR WHEN THE PUBLIC BODY FINDS THAT AN ACTION IS PROBABLE OR IMMINENT, IN WHICH CASE THE BASIS FOR THE FINDING SHALL BE RECORDED AND ENTERED INTO THE MINUTES OF THE CLOSED MEETING.
  
- B. THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC BODY OR LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC BODY OR LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC BODY, INCLUDING HEARING TESTIMONY ON A COMPLAINT LODGED AGAINST AN EMPLOYEE OF THE PUBLIC BODY OR AGAINST LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC BODY TO DETERMINE ITS VALIDITY.

Vote on roll call: Ayes: Maher, Grady, Vandenberg, Pannitto, Younker. Suggs Nays: None. Absent: None. Mayor Seaman declared the motion carried and this meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

The Village Clerk announced that this Executive Session is now being recorded.

A roll call was taken:

In attendance and

Responding to roll call:

D. Seaman, Mayor  
P. Rea, Clerk  
B. Maher, Village Trustee  
T. J. Grady, Village Trustee  
J. Vandenberg, Village Trustee  
M. Pannitto, Village Trustee  
B. Younker, Village Trustee  
K. Suggs, Village Trustee

Staff Present:

D. Niemeyer, Village Manager  
S. Tilton, Assistant Village Manager  
P. Connelly, Village Attorney  
L. Godette, Deputy Clerk

Others Present:

A. McGrath, Kozacky, Weitzel, McGrath, P.C.

**Update on Buckeye Community Hope Foundation vs. Village of Tinley Park** – Alastar McGrath provided the Board with an update of the Buckeye Community Hope Foundation lawsuit. McGrath stated that a letter was received by Buckeye's attorneys stating that Buckeye prepared to consider a resolution that would include commercial space in the proposed Reserve development, but would be less than 100% commercial. McGrath asked the Board if they would like pursue negotiations with Buckeye on building the proposed project with partial commercial on the first floor. Trustee Vandenberg asked who determines

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what is commercial. Village Attorney Connelly stated that the Village is the interpreter of their own code, the code has a definition. After discussion it was the direction of the Board to receive a proposal from Buckeye for the purpose of review for negotiations. Trustee Pannitto would like to see Buckeye follow the Village Code. Trustee Maher would like to be sure that the suit would be dropped if we could negotiate something. Mr. McGrath stated that the court case will continue even if this is in negotiation. Upon discussion it was the consensus of the Board to have the Attorney ask Buckeye to provide a proposal of the percentage of commercial they are willing to include in the development on paper to the Board in order to allow the Board to discuss the next step. At this time Trustee Pannitto requested more time to consider this issue.

**Appointment of Interim Fire Chief – October 1, 2016** – Mayor Seaman presented the options for the appointment of the Interim Fire Chief on October 1, 2016. Choices included reappointment of Dan Riordan or to consider Steve Klotz. Village Manager Niemeyer feels that Dan Riordan has done a good job as Interim Fire Chief since Chief Dunn’s retirement in June. Niemeyer had some concerns with Riordan’s knowledge of the benefits received by firefighters. He believes Riordan is a steady administration with his strengths lying in Fire Prevention. Manager Niemeyer noted Steve Klotz strength lies in Fire Department Operations. Mayor Seaman had concerns about Steve Klotz working two jobs. Trustee Younker had concerns about Steve Klotz, noting Klotz wants a full time department. Trustee Vandenberg had concerns about both candidates. Trustee Maher does want to give Klotz a fair chance, but does not want a full time department. The Board directed the Village Manager to inform Klotz not to take the Village vehicle to his job in Bedford Park. Upon discussion of the Board it was the consensus of the Board to appoint Steve Klotz to the Interim Fire Chief appointing beginning October 1, 2016 while the Village is undergoing a national recruitment to select a permanent replacement of Chief Dunn. This appointment should be on the September 20, 2016 Village Board meeting agenda.

Motion was made by Trustee Younker, seconded by Trustee Maher, to adjourn this Executive Session and return to the Village Board Meeting. Vote on roll call: Ayes: Maher, Grady, Vandenberg, Pannitto, Younker, Suggs. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried and this Executive Session was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Motion was made by Trustee Pannitto, seconded by Trustee Suggs, to adjourn the Village Board meeting. Vote by voice call. Mayor Seaman declared the motion carried and adjourned the regular Village Board meeting at 9:40 p.m.

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