

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
21801 TORRENCE AVENUE
SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
September 5, 2023, 7:00 PM
Agenda**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

On Roll Call

Present: Trustees: Burns, Carter, Coleman, Johnson, Sapp, and Williams

Absent : None

2. DISCUSSIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Mr. Tim Williams
 - Mike Mallon, a grocery store developer, and broker, who has worked most recently in Harvey, spoke of his history and experience as one who assists communities in the acquisition of a grocery store. He shared a Grocery Feasibility Study and an implementation plan that consisted of the following:
 - Phases of development
 - Identification of potential locations
 - Production of a written report.

Questions were fielded, answered, discussions:

- Mallon stated that an agreement and contract would be negotiated
- The Scope of Work – the project would last four – six months
- It was TIF eligible therefore the financial impact would be mitigated
- The names of grocers in Harvey were sought and was told none other than convenience stores. They asked for major stores for which he had known success with aiding in other locations, he responded, but was asked for a written list of stores that he helped developed and those considered to be a competition for Sauk Village
- The cost? \$24,500 with a fifty percent downpayment and equal payments, thereafter as work progresses.
- Which TIF eligible locations under consideration could not be addressed as Mallon was uncertain where the project would land.

- Consideration was entertained whether TIFs could be expanded or modified
- Communities whereby new stores were erected are in Homewood, Glenwood, and Chicago Hgts (Food for Less)
- The timeline for the opening of a new venture would be five years once the study is fully completed
- The question arose again whether the official contract had been reviewed by the Village's Attorney. There was no definitive answer
- The length of time it took for Pete's in Matteson was mentioned.

This item, once the needed documentation was solidified is scheduled to be on the next Board agenda for consideration for adoption, in the form of, A Resolution Approving And Authorizing A Professional Services Agreement By And Between The Village Of Sauk Village And Mallon And Associates, Inc.

- Mary Ann Thornton, provided a historical description of the Avidity Technologies company
 - She produced a presentation highlighting service offerings with special emphasize of the creation of the Village's website.
 - An actual contract, vetted by the attorney would be needed and signed by the Mayor
 - Entities for which websites were developed were the City of Harvey, Covenant United Church of Christ and VSA.
 - The project would last six – twelve weeks
 - Costs – Design and Coding \$5,000, extra features - \$95 per hour
 - Hosting \$850 (Updating responsibilities would need to be addressed and training would be included)
 - Payment – fifty percent upfront and remaining balance at completion

A Resolution Approving a Creative Services Project Agreement Between the Village of Sauk Village and Avidity Technologies is scheduled on the next Board agenda for consideration for adoption.

- Rick Foy discussed the Villages current telephone systems and the issues faced as the different buildings require separate IP addresses.
 - Fiber Optics is more corporate-based and should not be comparable to a home system.
 - The costs for Comcast are \$40,000, while Fiber would cost \$24,000
 - A total listing of equipment, costs and services were presented to use Urban Com. A contract was not available
 - Resolution Approving A Creative Services Project Agreement Between The Village Of Sauk Village and AT&T

- Engineer Melanie Arnold presented A Resolution Approving And Authorizing a Community Water Supply Asset Protection Program Agreement by and Between The Village Of Sauk Village And Corrosion Illinois Network, LLC. There is no cost to the Village for the tank inspection. However, a bid process, and other stipulated requirements must be entertained. The resolution and agreement have already been reviewed by the Attorney and are in order.

This item is scheduled for the next Board agenda for consideration for adoption.

A request for a recess was made for executive privilege at approximately 9:20 and the meeting reconvened at 9:26 p.m.

- Mayor Burgess spoke on the need to pass A Resolution Amending Designation of an Authorized Agent to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund for The Village Of Sauk Village, Cook County Illinois

This item is scheduled for the next Board agenda for consideration for adoption.

- Trustee Aretha Burns was to discuss An Ordinance Adopting a Policy for the Timely Deliverance of Meeting Agendas and Packets to the Board of Trustees of Village Of Sauk Village.

This item was tabled pending the next Ordinance Review Meeting.

- Trustee Debra Williams spoke on behalf of Ed Myers receiving a Street Designation as he meets the requirements already stipulated in the ordinance. She presented a resolution to the effect. It was acknowledged that going forward the ordinance must be amended.
- Village Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt reviewed IML Resources pertaining to procedures for submitting required documents for reimbursement and travel.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- D. Meeks asked why not post meetings on YouTube
- D. Peters reiterated the need to post meetings on YouTube
 - Mayor Burgess' Responses
 - Mentioned the previous Live streaming of meetings and that posting to YouTube should be considered

4. GENERAL COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES & MAYOR

- Trustee Williams
 - Announced a Blood Drive
 - The need for a new policy for Trustees use of Village buildings for events
- Trustee Coleman announced a meeting on 9/25 and his efforts to recruit members
- Trustee Burns
 - Reiterated the premise concerning facility usage
 - Reported the harm imposed by the Mayor and his assistant
 - Announced a meeting on 9/29 and each 4th Friday

- Trustees Carter, Johnson, and Sapp had no comments

5. EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

None

6. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was moved by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Johnson at 10:31 p.m. The motion was unanimously carried.

/s/ Derrick Burgess Mayor

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Village Clerk