

MINUTES OF THE **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING** OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, HELD IN THE SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER **APRIL 18, 2017.**

1. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

Mayor Hanks called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

On roll call:

Present: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tate, Washington-House and Williams-Baig

Absent: None

2. Resolution of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties Honoring Mayor David Hanks with an Honorary Street Designation

Trustee Williams-Baig reviewed the resolution to honor Mayor David Hanks with an honorary street designation as is customary when elected official retire after 12 years or more of service. Trustee Williams-Baig asked to have this item on the agenda. Mayor David Hanks has served many years beyond that. Trustee Myers stated several past elected officials, staff members and other individuals who received this special designation. Trustee Schultz is entitled to a sign even though his years were not consecutive. Trustee Williams-Baig stated the committee is working to put a formal resolution in place that will detail the qualifications.

Trustee Tate stated the new board should be able to decide if the mayor deserves the designation.

Trustee Williams-Baig stated the year she was elected Mary Slawnikowski received her designation and flowers at the last meeting she attended.

Trustee Williams-Baig stated the committee is researching what other communities do. An ordinance that will provide specifics will be provided to the board for review at the first board meeting in May.

Trustee Washington stated recognitions like this do occur in other communities.

Mayor Hanks reiterated Trustee Williams-Baig asked to have this item on the agenda- not him. He is retiring on May 9th and does consider this an honor.

Mayor Hanks stated he did place the next item on the agenda.

3. Resolution of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties Honoring Trustee Rosie Williams-Baig with an Honorary Street Designation

Mayor Hanks presented the resolution honoring Trustee Williams-Baig with an honorary street designation.

Trustee Williams-Baig will be leaving after 12 years of service.

Trustees Tate and Washington-House voiced the same comments.

Both resolutions will be on the board agenda for consideration.

4. Discuss an Ordinance amending Section 78-19 (Charges) of Article II (Water) of Chapter 78 (Utilities) of the Village Code

Mayor Hanks allowed for further discussion on the ordinance that will amend Section 78-19 and will allow a \$1.00 per thousand gallons reduction on the current water rate. Mayor Hanks stated the water rates were increased by \$2.00 per thousand to pay the \$4.8 million IEPA loan for the water treatment plant improvements. The balance of the loan is now under \$90,000.00. At the time the increase was approved it was stated that the rate would be decreased when the loan was paid off (or loan forgiveness occurred)

Mayor Hanks is recommending the board approve reducing the water rate by \$1.00 per thousand gallons. The remaining \$1.00 per thousand gallons will continue to pay off the loan.

The board has discussed this at length previously and the reduction was not approved at the last board meeting.

Discussion was held on the alternatives to returning the \$1.00 to the residents. Mayor Hanks stated this was a promise made to the residents. The residents were told the rate increase was temporary to pay off the loan. Once the loan is completely paid off the remaining \$1.00 should be returned to the residents. Mayor Hanks stated he will continue to bring this up at every board meeting until he leaves office. Discussion was held whether or not the \$1.00 should be returned to the residents and how a plan needs to be in place how the \$1.00 will be spent if it is not returned to the residents. Additional discussion was held on Lake Michigan water. The \$2.00 was never intended for Lake Michigan water. Trustee Myers stated Candlelight Village and Weatherstone Estates will need to get their own water allocation. The new administration will need to present a new plan will have to be in place that includes new rates. Trustee Burgess stated the increase was put in place for infrastructure repairs. Discussions were held in the past regarding placing the \$1.00 increase in a separate fund but that never happened. Trustee Williams-Baig asked Trustee Burgess to provide a plan before next week's board meeting. Trustee Burgess stated he will not provide the plan. Trustee Jones suggested paying the loan off sooner using the \$2.00. Trustee Washington-House stated residents have told her they want the \$1.00 returned. This item will be placed on the next agenda for consideration.

5. Executive session- Discussion Litigation Matter (5ILCS) 120/2 (C)(1) (2017)

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to recess to executive session. The motion was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Washington-House.
All ayes

The meeting was recessed at 7:46 pm.

Mayor Hanks reconvened the meeting by roll call:

Present: Burgess, Jones, Myers, Bates, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Absent: None

The meeting as reconvened at 8:08 pm.

6. Public Comment

All questions and comments must be directed to Mayor Hanks. Each speaker will be given three minutes to comment on the topic(s) of their choice. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak.

Bernice Houston asked for an update on how much money is left in the water account, how much money was paid back to the water fund and how much was received in taxes. Mayor Hanks stated the information is not available at this time.

Clearchie Lawrence commented that the Senior Relaxation Organization meets for people to relax.

Frank Harvey commented on board behavior.

Judy Cast commented on board behavior and comments and the street designations.

Frank Williams commented on the street designations.

Nathan Griffin commented on board behavior.

7. Miscellaneous Business

Comments from the Trustees

Trustee Washington-House reported the next Neighborhood Watch meeting is scheduled for May 8th at 7pm at the Fire Station.

Trustee Jones thanked everyone who participated in the Easter Egg Hunt including the volunteers, committee members and Texas Roadhouse for their donation. It was a great day for the kids. Summer Camp information will be released soon. Trustee Jones commented on their being no conflict with the Crossroads Church Easter Egg Hunt. Both events benefit our children.

Trustee Burgess commented on the resident's comment about working together.

Trustee Williams-Baig also commented on the board working together. The new board is comprised of like-minded individuals that hopefully will work together.

Trustee Williams-Baig reported the Budget and Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for 1pm April 19th at the Village Hall. Trustee Williams-Baig asked all trustees who are not in favor of returning the \$1.00 to the residents to submit a plan of what the \$1.00 will be used for by Friday to be considered before the next board meeting.

Trustee Williams-Baig will have a policy in place regarding the street designations by the next Committee meeting.

Mayor Hanks reported Comcast Cares Day is Saturday. Mayor Hanks thanked Village Clerk Williams and Comcast for working on this project. Village Clerk Williams reported Comcast will bring their employees to Sauk Village to volunteer to help clean up 11 sites throughout the community. Additional volunteers from Sauk Village are needed. Waivers are on the back table. Comcast is supplying equipment, flowers, mulch, breakfast and lunch, t-shirts, etc... Almost 150 volunteers will be present.

Allied Republic will donate a dumpster for the clean- up efforts.

Lynwood Recycling will donate recycling bins for metals, appliances, computer equipment- except TV's and monitors for recycling. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the recycling.

Donation Savers will be collecting reusable clothes, books, shoes, etc... These items will be weighed and the village will receive a monetary profit.

Mayor Hanks encouraged the elected officials to participate on Saturday.

Mayor Hanks commented on overflow action month. Be careful to reduce the amount of waste into the sewers.

Check out www.chicagriver.org/overflowpledge for ideas to reduce water usage this month, such as, shorter showers, run dishwashers less, use rain barrels, etc.... State Reps and Senators are behind this action.

Mayor Hanks commented on the water rate reduction, board behavior and encouraged the next board to work together to move forward. Mayor Hanks is willing to help. Mayor Hanks thanked the Crossroads Church and the Parks and Recreation Committee for the Easter Egg Hunts. He was out of town and unable to attend but heard it was a great day for the kids.

8. Adjournment

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

All Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Mayor David Hanks

Village Clerk Debra L. Williams

MINUTES OF THE **REGULAR MEETING** OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, HELD IN THE SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER **APRIL 25, 2017.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanks called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hanks led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll call

Present: Trustees Burgess, Jones, Myers, Tate, Washington-House and Williams-Baig

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Public Comment- All questions and comments must be directed to the Mayor. Each speaker will be given three minutes to comment on any topic. Each speaker will be allowed one opportunity to speak.

Judy Cast asked how many police squad cars, including unmarked squads, are street ready now and where the cars that are street ready are located. Judy also asked when the canine unit would be back on the street with full coverage. Chief Kowalski stated the street ready cars are located at the Public Works garage waiting for auction. There are two unmarked squads (detective cars) and four street ready squad cars. Chief Kowalski stated the insurance company has not made a determination about the canine car yet. Hopefully it will be back on the street soon.

3. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

A. Fire Department/ 911 Committee- Chief Stoffregen

Trustee Myers reported the Fire Department responded to over 33 calls in the past three weeks. The fire department responded to 7 fire alarms, 2 lift assists, 5 ambulance/PD assists, 1 vehicle fire, 5 vehicle accidents (10-50), 2 still alarms, 1 special assignment, 2 box alarms, 3 smell of smoke, 1 odor investigation, 3 CO alarms and 1 stove fire.

Chief Stoffregen thanked Comcast and all the volunteers for the work performed at the Fire Station. It looks very nice.

B. Police Department-Police Chief Kowalski

-CalCom Report: For a period between **3/14/2017** and **4/25/2017**, the police department received **1531** calls for service.

-Police Arrest Summary: During the period of **3/14/2017** thru **4/25/2017** the Sauk Village Police Department had a total of **96** arrests.

-Cases of Note:

On **4/18/2017**, the Sauk Village Police Department Investigative Division conducted a prostitution sting. The operation produced 16 arrests for a variety of charges and again was very productive

-Distracted Drivers Awareness Week: In support of National Distracted Driving Awareness Month, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) asked the Governor of the State of Illinois to declare April 24th through 28th as Illinois Distracted Driving Awareness Week in an effort to bring attention to the dangers and consequences associated with driving distracted. Governor Rauner issued the proclamation and both houses passed resolutions identifying April 24th through the 28th as Illinois Distracted Driving Awareness Week. The Sauk Village Police Department will be partaking in this enforcement action and the Mayor will be reading a proclamation shortly.

-DEA Prescription Drug Drop Off: The Sauk Village Police Department will again participate in the collection of unwanted prescription drugs. The DEA has partnered with local law enforcement like the Sauk Village PD and has invited the public to bring their potentially dangerous, unwanted medicines to the Sauk Village Police Station. The collection will take place on Saturday, April 29th. The disposal boxes will be in the lobby of the Police Station 21701 Torrence Ave. from 7am thru 3 pm. This service is free of charge and we appreciate your participation in the program. Since this has been so successful, the police department will continue to participate in this program.

-Promotion: Chief Kowalski announced the promotion of Detective Robert Grossman to the position of Sergeant. Det. Grossman is a 19-year veteran with the department and has been a key person in the success of many high profile investigations. He is an essential member of the South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force and very well respected among his peers in the law enforcement community. Det. Grossman was recently ranked as the number one officer on the current Sergeants eligibility list and number one on the previously expired list. Det. Grossmans promotion fills an open position and a void within the department's investigative division. Chief Kowalski stated it was a distinct pleasure to be part of this well-deserved promotion. Village Clerk Williams gave the oath of office to Robert Grossman. The Distracted Drivers proclamation piggybacks off the No Texting and Driving program in the State of Illinois.

4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

A. Mayor's Report- Mayor David Hanks

Bid Opening- Sanitary Sewer Cleaning

Visu-Sewer- \$30,025.00

National Power Rodding Corp.-\$20,762.50

Michels Pipe Services- \$30,025.00

Bid Opening- 2017 MFT/CDBG Resurfacing Program

D Construction- \$373, 040.36

Iroquois Paving- \$291,883.24

Gallagher- \$348,000.44

The cost of the projects are broken down in sections. The cost of the total project is listed above. The Village Engineer reviews the bids. A recommendation will be made to the board soon. Mayor Hanks read proclamations in support of Distracted Drivers and A.B.A.T.E Motorcycle Awareness Month.

B. Village Clerk – Mrs. Debbie Williams

Village Clerk Williams asked for amendments to the agenda as follows:

Item 6C- amend to read “Approve and Hold”

Item 6F- remove from agenda

Village Clerk Williams thanked everyone who participated in Comcast Cares Community Clean Up Day. Over 150 people registered to participate. No final count on how many were present. Eleven sites were cleaned up including three church sites, Village Hall, Fire Department, 223rd Lincoln/ Lansing Drainage ditch and other local sites. The volunteers were phenomenal. Thanks to Comcast for providing breakfast, lunch, supplies, flowers, mulch, trees, etc... Sauk Village collaborated with Comcast, Mentoring through Digital Technology and Crossroads Church on this effort.

Village Clerk Williams read the official results from the April 4, 2017 2017 Consolidated Election.

APRIL 4, 2017 CONSOLIDATED ELECTION
Official Results from Cook County Clerk David Orr's Office
April 25, 2017

Mayor, Village of Sauk Village
(8 of 8 precincts counted)

Derrick Burgess	601	55.55%
Lynda G. Washington-House	182	16.82%
Rosie L. Williams-Baig	299	27.63%
write-in	0	0.00%
Total	1,082	

Clerk, Village of Sauk Village
(8 of 8 precincts counted)

Marva Campbell-Pruitt	550	51.89%
Debra "Debbie" Williams	508	47.92%
write-in	2	0.19%

Total 1,060

Trustee, Village of Sauk Village
Vote For 3

(8 of 8 precincts counted)

Bernice Brewer-Houston	490	17.65%
Edward P. Myers	399	14.37%
Linda L. Todd	501	18.05%
Rodrick R. Grant	509	18.34%
Beth Zupon	472	17.00%
Sene' Garrett	400	14.41%
write-in	5	0.18%

Total 2,776

Congratulations to all newly elected officials! The newly elected officials will be sworn in at the May 9, 2017 Board Meeting.

Village Clerk Williams read a message from Cook County Clerk David Orr's office that pertained to the low voter turnout throughout suburban Cook County.

Village Clerk Williams congratulated Village Clerk Elect Marva Campbell-Pruitt and wished her well. It is good to see the incoming board is comprised of individuals that already have a working relationship. The division and the politics need to stop.

C. Village Administrator/ Director of Public Safety- JW Fairman, Jr.-Absent

5. REPORTS OF TRUSTEES AND BOARD COMMITTEES

A. Senior Committee/ Beautification Committee- Report read by Mayor Hanks

Bloom Township host Secretary of State Jessie White "Rules of the Road Review" on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, reservation required.

FREE class on Self Defense for Seniors by Brian Smith on Friday, July 14, 2017 from 1:00-2:30 p.m. Openings are still available for Casino trips to Four Winds on Thursday, May 18, 2017 and

Biloxi & New Orleans on Sunday-Saturday, July 23-29, 2017. See flyer for details, for additional information and reservation call (708) 754-9400 ext. 7275 Tracy Sylvester. Mark your calendar and save the date for Bloom Township Annual Senior Picnic on Thursday, August 3, 2017. Tickets will be on sale July 1st for \$4.00. No tickets will be sold on the day of the picnic. Affordable transportation available within the township, call (708) 754-8200 a couple of days prior to an event, there will be no charge to the picnic for township resident. Classes available for chair Yoga and line dancing, call (708) 754-9400, the Senior Department for more information. Golden Agers meeting at Jones Memorial Community Center on Wednesday, May 19, 2017 at 220 15th St., Chicago Heights, Social hour at 10:00 a.m., 10:30 meeting, lunch and ice cream social served at 11:30 a.m. Lunch reservation and type of sandwich call (708) 757-5395. Annual dues are \$5.00 and lunch \$5.00. Senior citizens (50+ years), regardless of residency are welcome to attend the every Friday 12:30-3:30 p.m. (and every 4th Saturday) Senior Open Activity. Bottled water and light refreshments are available. 'Rummikub' tile game is very popular with the attendees. However, we have other games, adult coloring (book and colored pencils) available or you made bring your own game or craft. The next Saturday, May 27th at 5:00 p.m. (doors open at 4:00 p.m.) participants are asked to bring appetizers or finger type foods to share. Committee members coordinating the Open Activity are Steve Shymkus and Frank Williams. The Senior Committee will host their second annual FREE luncheon to celebrate the 52nd Anniversary of the Older Americans Month for Sauk Village seniors on Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. More detailed information to follow. The next senior committee meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11th and every second Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

B. Parks and Recreation Committee- Trustee Jones

Trustee Jones reported the next Open Gym is scheduled for Saturday, April 29th from 11 am – 2:30pm. Children 10 and under should be accompanied by an adult. Summer Camp Orientation also starts at 10:00 am- registration from 10:30am -12pm. A flyer is available on the back table for more Summer Camp details.

C. Public Works Committee- Trustee Burgess

Trustee Burgess stated the Public Works Committee did not meet. There is no Public Works report. Trustee Burgess read the Code Department Report prepared by Administrative Services Director Sherry Jasinski.

- We no longer are required to purchase lawn bag sticker for the brown lawn bags per Republic Services
- There is a new cell phone store in town that is located at 14 Sauk Plaza
- Winpak has received their final certificate of occupancy for the completion of the project expansion
- Update on liens:
133 total are not paid = \$185,246.42
68 have been paid = \$79,592.12
- Animal Licenses went on sale April 1, 2017 the fees are as follows:
\$10.00 for a spayed or neutered pet
\$ 25.00 for a non-spayed or neutered pet
1 senior discount per household if the pet is neutered or spayed the cost is \$5.00
- Village Sticker will go on Sale May 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2017 the cost are as follows:
\$30.00 for a passenger plate

\$30.00 for a motorcycle

\$48.00 for a B-Truck Plate

One senior discount per household if you are 62 or older you will receive a \$20.00 discount

D. Housing and Intergovernmental Committee- Trustee Tates

Trustee Tates stated the Intergovernmental Committee on April 12th. The second Homebuyer's workshop did not happen. The committee is looking to reschedule sometime in May. The IGRC Committee continues to reach out to other communities to see if there are programs that could benefit Sauk Village residents. This has been a yearlong project.

E. Public Safety/Ordinance Review Committee- Trustee Myers

Trustee Myers provided an update on the Local Debt Recovery Program. The village is working with the Illinois Comptroller's office to collect old debts. So far, the \$34,107.73 has been collected.

Trustee Myers will sit down with the Ordinance Committee after the new board sits in. Trustee Myers asked Village Engineer Czarnik for an update on the drainage issue with the detention pond. Mayor Hanks stated Public Works Director Weller is working with the company involved.

F. Neighborhood Watch Committee- Trustee Washington-House

Trustee Washington-House stated the next Neighborhood Watch meeting is scheduled for May 8th at 7pm at the Fire Station. Trustee Washington-House will gladly work with the new administration on the Neighborhood Watch if it continues.

G. Budget, Finance and Community Relations Committees – Trustee Williams-Baig

Trustee Williams-Baig reported the Budget and Finance Committee did review the status of the budget with Finance Director Rao. The budget is in line where it should be. The Community Relations Committee discussed the 60th Anniversary events and updating of the elected official's plaques and the Mayor's portraits. The plaques were recently located. The 60th Anniversary Committee will post the meeting notice according to the Open Meetings Act.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Motion to Approve all Accounts Payables and Disbursements- March 28, 2017 through April 25, 2017 according to Sauk Village policy

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Myers and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

On roll call

Ayes: Burgess, Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Jones, Tates

Motion Carried

B. Motion to Approve Special Meeting Minutes - March 14, 2017

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call

Ayes: Burgess, Jones, Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Tates

Motion Carried

C. Motion to Approve Executive Session Minutes- Approve and Release- March 14, 2017 (Amended – Approve and Hold)

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call

Ayes: Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Burgess, Jones, Tate

Tie Breaker: Mayor Hanks- Aye

Motion Carried

D. Motion to Approve Committee Meeting Minutes –March 21, 2017

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call

Ayes: Jones, Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Burgess, Tate

Motion Carried

E. Motion to Approve Special Meeting Minutes- March 28, 2017

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call

Ayes: Jones, Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Burgess, Tate

Motion Carried

F. Motion to Approve Executive Session Minutes- Approve and Hold-March 28, 2017 (Removed from agenda)

G. Motion to Approve a Resolution of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties Honoring Mayor David Hanks with an Honorary Street Designation

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Williams-Baig and seconded by Trustee Myers.

On roll call

Ayes: Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Burgess, Jones, Tate

Tie Breaker: Mayor Hanks- Abstain

Motion failed

H. Motion to Approve a Resolution of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties Honoring Trustee Rosie Williams-Baig with an Honorary Street Designation

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Myers and seconded by Trustee Washington-House.

On roll call

Ayes: Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Burgess, Jones, Tate

Tie Breaker: Mayor Hanks- Aye

Motion carried

I. Motion to Approve an Ordinance amending Section 78-19 (Charges) of Article II (Water) of Chapter 78 (Utilities) of the Village Code

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to approve. The motion to approve was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

Trustee Burgess clarified this was the item that was voted on and failed previously. Trustee Burgess stated there is nothing in place to pay off the loan. Mayor Hanks stated there is still \$1.00 left in place to pay off the balance.

Trustee Williams-Baig stated she did ask for board members to submit a plan where the \$1.00 would be utilized. There has been much criticism for the past administration using the water fund as a cushion. Nothing was submitted.

This matter has been discussed at length. Additional discussion was held.

On roll call

Ayes: Myers, Washington-House, Williams-Baig

Nays: Burgess, Jones, Tate

Tie Breaker: Mayor Hanks- Aye

Motion carried

7. Miscellaneous Comments from the Mayor and Board of Trustees

Trustee Washington commended Village Clerk Williams for her work on getting so many volunteers together for the Comcast Cares Clean up Day. Trustee Washington-House reiterated the Neighborhood Watch Committee meets on Monday, May 8th at the Fire Station at 7pm. Trustee Washington and the block club captains would like to continue to work on the Neighborhood Watch after the new administration is settled. Trustee Washington-House thanked her co-chair Trustee Ed Myers for all the hard work he has done and contributed to the Neighborhood Watch, Trustee Washington-House thanked everyone that has called her after the election. Trustee Washington –House congratulated the new board members and offered to help when called on.

Trustee Jones stated the Parks and Recreation Committee is always looking for volunteers and committee members. Volunteers are so important. Trustee Jones enjoyed cleaning up with the Comcast Cares program. The volunteers did a great job. Trustee Jones stated volunteers could also help financially to help absorb a lot of the cost of some of the projects he would like to have in Sauk Village. The cost of the summer camp has increased from \$50.00 to \$410.00 due to the lack of state funding. Summer Camp keeps kids off the street. Grants are being researched. Fundraising ideas would be appreciated. Trustee Jones wants to focus on the positive aspects of the summer camp.

Trustee Tate commented on borrowing money from the water fund and voiced additional comments about the water issue.

Trustee Washington-Baig emailed Finance Director for information on the reduction in water revenue. Trustee Williams-Baig voiced additional comments about the water issue and how plans have been discussed but not implemented because of who brings the idea to the table, Trustee Williams-Baig commented on the honorary street designation tradition. Trustee Williams-Baig is looking forward to the new board. It appears they will have synchronized voting and things will get done by not being concerned with who brought the idea to the table but what is best for the residents.

Mayor Hanks thanked Trustee Williams-Baig for bringing the honorary street designation to the board. It is an honor after 18 years of service but he will not vote for himself. Mayor Hanks stated he wants the community to come together and will work with Mayor Elect Burgess to see him succeed. Mayor Hanks wished everyone the best. Mayor Hanks will be retiring on May 9th but he is not going anywhere.

Mayor Hanks provided additional comments on the temporary \$2.00 increase of the water rate that pertained only to repaying the loan for the water treatment plant repairs. The \$1.00 reduction was due to the residents. When the loan is fully paid the other \$1.00 should be returned to the residents. A plan for any additional increases to the water rate should be presented by the future boards.

8. Adjournment

Mayor Hanks asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Washington-House and seconded by Trustee Williams-Baig.

All Ayes

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Mayor David Hanks

Village Clerk Debra L. Williams