Journal of Proceedings
Board Meeting
of the
Corporate Authorities
Village of Sauk Village
21801 Torrence Avenue, Sauk Village, IL 60411
September 10, 2019
7:00 PM

1. Call to Order: Mayor Derrick Burgess called the meeting of the Corporate Authorities to order at 7:00 p.m.

2) Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Derrick Burgess led the constituency in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Trustees: Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, and Williams
Absent: None

Staff Present: Eng. Jim Czarnik Fire Captain Dennis Interim Director Zatonya
Fire Captain Dennis Synowiec Interim Director Zatonya
Police Chief Malcolm White Adm. Chris Williams

Others in Attendance: Village Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Attorney Mike McGrath

Public Attendees: 37

3) Motion to Recess to Executive Session
There was no Executive Session

4) Approval of Minutes
a) Motion to Approve Journal of Proceedings of Special Board Meeting of July 16, 2019

Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Jasinski seconded
On Roll Call:
Ayes: Trustees Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Williams
Nays: None
Motion Carried

b) Motion to Approve Journal of Proceedings of the Regular Board Meeting of July 16, 2019

Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Jasinski seconded

On Roll Call:
Ayes: Trustees Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Williams
Nays: None
Motion Carried

5) PUBLIC COMMENT

• A. Coleman questioned the social media policy and the $30,000.00 in attorney fees. He stated that the knowledge of the law firm sounded like a conflict of interest and asked if it was malpractice and if they should serve as the Village’s Attorney? The Village needed a new attorney/representation.
• P Couch stated that what was witnessed is shameful, and residents set and watched the fiasco. She asked why the trustees had not seen the document? And, stated that she was happy to see the attorney represent five trustees as they correct the items that require repair as they were fabulous. Regarding Social Media, she commented that the Mayor does not control what is put out there.
• L. Sapp asked if throwing residents was money away was fabulous? The money that the Atty. is raking in is not fabulous.
• D. Sapp mentioned the beautiful event on Saturday. She commented on water being shut off with no notification
• J. Cast commented that the new trustees were doing a fabulous job. She was amazed that an employee was making $1200.00 a month with no complaints. McGrath is doing a fabulous job. Mentioned the incident in the parking lot. A police report was filed as an employee did it. She questioned the intent and stated there was a witness.

Mayor Burgess’ Comments

• Thanked everyone for their comments
• Stated that he does not respond to comment
• Apologized for residents not receiving a notice for the water shut-off
• The Mayor had no comment on the police report but informed that witnesses would be sought and would allow the Police Chief to investigate the case.
6) REPORTS OF OFFICERS  
a) Mayor’s Report - Mayor Derrick Burgess  
   I. Mayor Burgess read a resolution for Jean C. Bell, mother of Trustee T. Bell  
   II. Reported on a Census Meeting he attended and reiterated to all not to take the Census lightly. He appealed to everyone to respond by mail or on-line. He advised that the Village’s representative is the Clerk, Marva Campbell-Pruitt  
   III. Thanked all who supported the Corn and Dog Roast, with special recognition to Capt. Synowiec, for his efforts with having the Medi-Vac helicopter present  

b) Village Clerk – Ms. Marva Campbell-Pruitt gave no report  

c) Village Administrator- Mr. Christopher Williams  
   I. Provided a written report outlining the accomplishments to date, reviewed some policies and procedures developed and strides towards increasing internal communication. The report will be filed with the certified minutes.  

d) Village Attorney- Atty. Mike McGrath had no report  

e) Village Engineer – Mr. Jim Czarnik  
   I. Provided an update on the fieldwork currently in and stated the Next Step was to complete the survey.  
   f) Treasurer’s Report – Mr. Anthony Finch was not present  

7) REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS  
a. Finance & Administration – Interim Director Anthony Finch was not present  
b. Fire Department - Captain Dennis Synowiec read a written report to be filed with the certified minutes highlighting:  
   i. There were twelve calls for service and no major incidents  
c. Police Department - Chief Malcolm White read a written report to be filed with the certified minutes highlighting:  
   i. The Department responded to 454 calls of service and had eleven arrests  
   ii. Sept. 19th is Chat with a Cop and invited everyone out  
d. Emergency Management Agency  
   i. The Village Clerk read the report to be filed with the certified minutes  
e. Public Works  
   Mayor Burgess read Dir. Kevin Weller’s Report to be filed with the certified minutes highlighting:  
   i. Updates of activities that staff had accomplished during the period  
   ii. Storm/Sewer cleanup requires assistance from residents.  
   iii. The timeline for branch pick-up  
f. Comm/Econ Development – Interim Director Tonya McCoy reported:
i. She had collaborated with South Sub. Landbank
ii. Handed out ten citations

8) **Reports of Trustees, Standing Committees and Comments**
   a. Public Safety Committee- Trustee Gary Bell thanked everyone for the comments
   b. Public Services Committee - Trustee Bernice Brewer reported:
      i. Three hydrants were out of service
      ii. There were no updates on funding from the state.
      iii. The process for collections for jets and digs had been streamlined
   c. Budget & Finance Committee- Trustee Rodrick R. Grant reported:
      i. The committee had not met
      ii. He was working with the Administrator and Int. Finance Director to develop policies
      iii. The Village was into four months of the fiscal year
   d. Housing and Intergovernmental Relations Committee – Trustee Sherry Jasinski reported:
      i. Thanked Ms. McCoy for her hard work on the collection of data from other communities
      ii. The next meeting is on September 18th at 7:00 p.m.
   e. Ordinance Review Committee - Trustee Linda L. Todd reported:
      i. The Committee had not met as she has difficulty driving
      1. Comment: She could not be in the parade, but the Corn and Dog Roast was great, especially the face painter. She hopes to be of greater assistance next year
   f. Public Events Committee – Trustee Debra L. Williams reported:
      i. The last two activities were very successful. She thanked Assistant Fire Chief Myers for his assistance
      1. Comment: She apologized for her actions at the Special Meeting as she did not act appropriately. She mentioned the ordinance delivery time was ignored; the budget must get passed, and that residents and staff must be respected

9) **Reports of Committees and Commissions**
Senior Advisory Council – Chairman Emmett Farmer provided a written report to be filed with the certified minutes highlighting the next meeting to take place meeting Thursday at 5:00 p.m.

10) **New Business**
   a. Motion to Approve Payroll, Accounts Payable and Disbursements, total Distributions for $481,880.91

      Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Todd seconded
      o Trustee Brewer stated issues with:
The Illinois home inspection bill for two mold testing. She stated that the Village should not pay for them in the future.

Kane McKenna submits invoices that we never get the work product. She asked Adm. Williams to show the work product.

Reimbursement of the Oslad Grant had been sought repeatedly. She asked why it took so long to pay it back, $112,000.00 was a loss.

The Larrell Contract and asked Adm Williams for a copy of the contract; stating that we need to see the contract, and asked who was approving and evaluating it.

**On Roll Call:**
Ayes: Trustees Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Williams
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Before calling for a motion to adjourn:
Mayor Burgess commented that everyone on the dais was elected to do a job to benefit the Village. We cannot be successful unless we respect one another and come together. Capital Funds were realized when they saw that we worked together. The coverage is shared on Social Media. Hoped that we could all come together.

11) **Adjournment**

Having completed the business of the day and exhaustion of the agenda, Mayor Burgess called for a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Jasinski moved, and Trustee Bell seconded. By Common Consent, the meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

/s/ Derrick N. Burgess, Mayor

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Village Clerk
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Pledge of Allegiance:
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2. Roll Call:
   Present: Trustees: Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Trustee Williams
   Absent: None

Others in Attendance:
   Village Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Atty. Mike McGrath

The Special Board meeting was called by Trustees Bernice Brewer, Gary T. Bell, and Debra L. Williams of the Village of Sauk Village. Notice was issued on September 7, 2019 in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act. The purpose of the meeting was to approve an ordinance for the Budget and Appropriations for the May 2019 to April 2020 Fiscal Year.

Mayor Burgess asked for a motion to approve an Annual Budget and Appropriation for All Corporate Purposes for the Village of Sauk Village Cook County, Illinois, for the May 1, 2019, to April 30, 2020, Fiscal Year.

Trustee Debra Williams moved, and Trustee Sherry Jasinski seconded.

Mayor Burgess questioned how the Board was willing to vote on an ordinance and appropriation with no budget present or the required figures for the appropriation. There was a great deal of unrest.

Trustee Brewer asked how to approve items without supporting documents.
Trustee Williams sought the floor to discuss the lack of a budget and the need to pass a budget. She stated for the record that she made the motion for the sake of discussion.

The Village Clerk left the meeting to assist with copying the budget.

Trustee Grant asked to table the motion.

Trustee Brewer motioned to recess the Special Meeting. There was no second, but the discussion continued.

Trustee Todd asked to recess the meeting until 7:00 p.m.

The motion and the second were rescinded by the caller and seconder of the original motion.

Mayor Burgess asked if the desire of the Board was to recess the meeting to 7:00 p.m. and push back the regularly scheduled meeting. He suggested another Special Meeting (Hearing) the following Tuesday for discussion and to vote on the budget the following week to allow residents an opportunity for review. Trustee Williams asked to hold another meeting the next night.

Trustee Todd asked to recess until the following Tuesday. Mayor Burgess clarified that the meeting would reconvene September 17, 2019.

There were questions of who to call the roll in the absence of the Clerk.

Mayor Burgess called the roll.

On Roll Call:
Ayes: Trustees: Bell, Brewer, Todd, Williams, Grant, Jasinski
Nays: None
Motion Carried

The meeting was recessed at 6:35 p.m. and will reconvene September 17, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

/s/ Derrick N. Burgess, Mayor

/s/ Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Village Clerk
CALL TO ORDER

- Roll Call
  Mayor Burgess called the Committee Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. On Roll Call: Trustees Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Williams
  Others in attendance: Village Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt and Interim Director McCoy

MOTION TO RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

THERE WAS NO EXECUTIVE SESSION

DISCUSSIONS

- Presentation by Proven IT – Electronic Document Services
  The presenter provided an overview and demonstration of the varying services offered by Proven
  - He spoke of online documentation for completing forms and communicating with building inspectors. The inspectors can then complete the inspection paperwork manually or online.
  - The users and residents will receive immediate approval of Re-occupancies and Building Permits
  - It covers building permits, pet licensing, public records request Storm Water Permits, and all documents required.
  - Any forms can be stored in their repository. Can collect documents, pictures, mega data, etc.
    Reminders can be sent
  - All can be customized with a subsequent Process Diagram as demonstrated

- Trustee Jasinski asked about the cost of the product and how many municipalities are using the system.
  The cost is dependent on the services requested and the number of individuals accessing the system. It could be between $200-600.00 monthly. There are four - 25 municipalities utilizing the systems in Illinois. He serves four of them.

- Mayor Burgess asked how data is hosted? It could be cloud-based, or retention can be saved on a server on-premise. Does it interface with CIVIC? It does!
  Mayor Burgess asked about upfront costs and was provided a menu of billing:
  - 10%- 15% of software costs. It is dependent the number of forms and data to be collected
100.00 per staff annually or $700-$800.00 for a perpetual license. Subscription costs are based upon public portals and the number of forms needing to be created. Users who receive the data and utilize it $100.00 a year. The administrative/office staff users $600.00 per year.

3-5-year agreements are required for software. Once licensing is charged for the year on non-renewal, fees are not prorated. Only one license is required

- Trustee Grant asked if a proposal would be forthcoming, the level of support to be provided and if there is a fee. He was told it (the proposal) would be provided once all factors are considered
- Mayor asked that the proposal includes data and costs

**Application for a Business License for Tobacco and Pipes Shop - Adel Abdullah**

- Mr. Abdullah asked to sell the following paraphernalia in the current shop located 2583 Sauk Trail: Glassware for Hookah pipes, tobacco, cigars, vapes, all accessories

Questions asked:
- If there is a need for an ordinance. If so, it would go to the Ordinance Review Committee as there is none such business authorized in the Village
- If we were considering granting only one license and was informed that once an ordinance is approved, it would be applicable to anyone who wants to open such a business.

Mayor Burgess advised Mr. Abdullah of the necessity for a background check.

**Presentation of Inspection Findings and its Impact**

Director McCoy provided a pictorial presentation from recent inspections and the importance of maintaining safety for the residents of the Village. She informed that the Village’s inspectors or HUD certified.

**Bud’s Ambulance Quote for Dispatch Services**

Gary Bell introduced Ron of Bud’s Ambulance who stated that the company could save the Village about $90,000.00

Ron spoke to:
- The proposal for taking over the fire side of dispatch. An exact cost must be developed as it requires breaking a contract with Kurtz/Calcom
- Funds the Village receives from the State Board is $98,000.00, but other towns are getting much more than Sauk Village.
- The Village needs to review all fees as they provide a flat fee that is not borne by the other Villages. They pay no phone bills, connection fees, new software, and technology are provided at no cost and could save $150,000.00 annually
- The funds from Cook County would be sent back to the Village; he spoke of another $30,000.00 for services. Dispatch calls would be enhanced. He could assist with ETSP (Emergency Transportation Safety Board) ran by the State of Illinois.
  - Mayor asked questions around network and technology. He was told that there would be up to twelve radios and EMT vehicles, we would pay for the hockey puck.
Calls would come from Cook County and then dispatched to Buds
Ron recommended establishing a committee to explore all possibilities and stated he would be willing to serve on the committee
   Mayor asked about the possibility to go with Police Department and the Fire Department so as not to have two dispatch services
   Trustee Brewer mentioned the “lift Assist” required by our staff and was told that it is an agreement between the fire department and Buds
   Trustee Williams asked if any other towns dispatched just for fire service and was told, no

Trustee Bernice Brewer led the following agenda items:
   • A Resolution Amending Designating an Authorized Agent to the IMRF as evidenced in R2018-017
      Trustee Brewer asked to amend IMRF as a designated Authorized Agent. She asked that the Payroll Administrator and Treasurer be appointed. This item does not require and ordinance review. This item will be included on the next Board agenda for consideration
   • A Resolution Amending the Local Government Director to the South Suburban Land Bank R2017-011
   Trustee Brewer asked to amend the ordinance to appoint the Interim Economic/Community Development Director as the designee. This item will be included on the next Board agenda for consideration
   • An Ordinance Amending the Salary of the Village Treasurer and Adding Language for Surety bond 18-009
      Trustee Brewer asked to amend 18-009 to change the payment back to $6,000.00 from $14,000.00 and for it to include the necessity for the surety bond. Referred to the Ordinance Review Committee.
   • An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 18-010 Reallocation of $1.00 of Sewer Fund to Establish a Surplus for Repair and Replacements
      Trustee Todd stated that an ordinance is not needed to accomplish the intent. An ordinance amending Section Sauk Village Code 78-186 Basic User Care and 78-187 with the allocation to the water fund was required. Referred to the Ordinance Review Committee
   • An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 17-011 to Reallocate 0.50 per month per Household from the Utility Fund to Establish a Surplus for the Utility Fund
      The intent of the Draft is to set aside .50 per household for the utility fund for a surplus. Trustee Grant stated that an ordinance is required. Referred to the Ordinance Review Committee
   • An Ordinance to Separate Accounts Payable from Payroll for the Purpose of Reviewing and Approving each separately
      Trustee Grant asked the purpose of separating Accounts Payable from Payroll as it was not necessary. Trustee Brewer stated to save headaches and to monitor over time.
      Trustee Todd mentioned no breakdown in payroll.
      Trustee Brewer wanted to vote on them separately
      Trustee Williams attempted to explain that it is an attempt to alleviate contention.
      Trustee Grant reminded the others of the changed practice and early receipt of Accounts Payable. This item was removed from the table permanently.
   • An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 18-012 Adopting Policy /Procedures and Reallocating Temporary Rehab funds
      The Trustees agreed to certain conditions as presented by the Asst Finance Director. One being to add a $500.00 penalty if the home is inhabited during that period. Referred to Committee
• An Ordinance Relating to the Rights of Officials to Access Sauk Village Records.
  o There was brief discussion but was tabled for further discussion. Trustees agreed to provide comments to Trustee Brewer and suggested that it be placed back on the agenda in two weeks

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PUBLIC COMMENT

• B. Hopkins asked who access to the data from the company would have collecting funds and when the 221st repairs, would be completed

• J. Copley mentioned having a problem with all the meetings scheduled over the last eight months, citing meetings canceled and rescheduled and asked when the actual meetings are

• D. Morehead thanked the mayor for the tree removal. The tree pushed up the skirt of her driveway as it damaged her car. She asked for a review and corrective measures

• Z. Ayres addressed: if residents of Sauk Village were informed of the developer wanting a truck repair, the presentation by the lawyer made reference that this proposal was known; the failure to mentioned the June 5th and June 7th applications and funds submitted for each application received, and the Notice had not provided as required.

• J. Cast added to Mrs. Ayres’ statement that it violated the agreement as required. She asked why there was no transparency. She provided a historical perspective of the last water issue. She expressed concern as this involves the entire Village and that she was tired of begging for information.

• F. Anderson expressed disappointment at the contention at board meetings; she disagrees with Buds doing dispatch; she is surprised by the inspections and suggested that Trustee Jasinski provide insights, and asked that mayor to get Trustees the requested information

• A. Coleman spoke to the proposed budget. He was concerned that Trustees wanted to present budget when they did not know who the author of the modified budget was and that there were no funds stipulated for the appropriations. He spoke to the lack of transparency concerning the budget. He stated ordinances are not needed when communication and agreement are required.

Mayor Burgess’ Responses

• Proven presentation – the company, only informed of the services they offer. Must look at the practicality and cost. The sidewalks on 221st were not included in the contract.

• Meeting dates: 1st an 3rd Tuesdays are Committee Meetings. 2nd & 4th Tuesdays are meetings where business is conducted. Special Meetings are called when there is an urgency

• Thanked the satisfied resident, can’t guarantee that the sidewalk would be repaired

• Truck Repair shop – is unaware of a license/application paid for $250.00. It was a Zoning application only. It is not a done deal. He discussed the required process

• Bud’s Ambulance discussion was a presentation. It would have to go to bid. The company provided its perspective.
GENERAL COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & TRUSTEES

- Trustee Williams announced the Public Events Committee meeting on 9/23
- Trustee Bell had no comment
- Trustee Grant had no comment
- Trustee Jasinski announced the next meeting on 9/18. She advised Ms. Anderson that she and Interim Dir. McCoy had been meeting
- Trustee Brewer provided clarification concerning the $1.00 to set aside for the sewer system and the .50 for utility
- Trustee Todd stated that she would announce the next meeting. She commented to Interim Dir. McCoy that she liked the presentation, but, disagree with investors desires for inspections

Mayor Burgess reminded everyone of the voted upon increase from 2 years prior. He announced the Town Hall meeting on 9/18. He appealed to the Trustee to attend all sessions and to go to the one on cannabis while attending IML Conference

ADJOURNMENT

Having exhausted the agenda items, Mayor Burgess called for a motion to adjourn

Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Williams seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m. by common consent.

/s/Derrick N. Burgess, Mayor

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Village Clerk
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SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER
21801 TORRENCE AVENUE
SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
Thursday, September 26, 2019
6:00 PM

1. Call to Order: Mayor Derrick Burgess called the Special Board Meeting of the Corporate Authorities to order at 6:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Derrick Burgess led the constituency in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call: Present: Trustees: Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd,
Remote by Phone: Trustee Williams
Absent: None

Others in Attendance: Village Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt., Village Adm. Chris Williams
Public Attendees: 15

Mayor Burgess called the Special Meeting of the Corporate Authorities to adopt two ordinances. There were:


   Trustee Todd moved, and Trustee Jasinski seconded
   On Roll Call
   Ayes: Trustees Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Williams
   Nays: None
   Motion carried

2) An Ordinance Establishing a Local Motor Fuel Tax

   Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Jasinski seconded
   On Roll Call
   Ayes: Trustees Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd
   Nays: Trustees Brewer, Williams
   Motion carried
Public Comment

H. Parker asked why there was a special meeting called opposed to the following Tuesday.

E. Myers questioned if the Board were aware of any store who may be selling cannabis in the Village.

Mayor’s Comments

The meeting was called in case someone would want to open a distribution center, store, etc. It was needed to be in place by September 30, 2019 so that tax monies could be realized. He stated that the ordinance would be filed the next day.

Currently, there are no license, person or entity that is legally selling cannabis.

Having completed the business of the Day, Mayor Burgess called for a motion to adjourn at 6:09 p.m.

Trustee Todd moved, and Trustee Jasinski seconded. All approved via a voice vote.

/s/Derrick N. Burgess, Mayor

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Village Clerk
CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Derrick Burgess called the meeting of the Corporate Authorities to order at 7:00 p.m.

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Roll Call: Present: Trustees: Bell, Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Remote: Trustee Williams
Absent: None

Staff Present: Captain Dennis Synowiec Chief Malcolm White Treasurer and Interim Director Kevin Weller Director Anthony Finch Administrator Chris Williams

Others in Attendance: Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt

Public Attendees: 30

1) MOTION TO RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
   There was no Executive (Closed) Session

2) MOTION TO RECONVENE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MINUTES
   There were no minutes to approve

3) PUBLIC COMMENT
   • Hopkins clarified a question from a previous report concerning the 223rd street sidewalk. She asked if a curb would be replaced and questioned the policy on Public Comment.
   • Z. Ayres- responded to the 9/17 meeting, referring to the memo and application for changing the R-1 C 3 zoning she had received from an FOIA request. She spoke with
Director McCoy, who had advised that she had attended the meeting and completed the documents. She was commended for her honesty.

- P. Couch advised that she came to the hall to review the budget and was not allowed to make a copy of the budget. She asked how residents could investigate if they could not have a copy of the budget.
- J. Cast spoke on the police report filed and was assured that the issue would be taken care of. The Police Department had not followed through. They and the Board let her down, and the Safety person did not comment. She mentioned that she had shown pictures of the furniture used at the police station. Though the Chief promised that it would be taken care of, there had been no follow-up and no transparency. She stated that she was disappointed in Trustee Bell as the safety officer and that Trustee Jasinski does not say enough...she only votes. She asked how many vacant houses. She further stated her opinion of the other Trustee’s actions. She asked why Trustees did not support Trustee Williams.
- E. Noructt had a problem with services in the Village. She stated that she can’t buy a loaf of bread or milk and asked if we were looking for a grocery store — too many gambling and drinking establishments, but nothing for families.
- D. Ward expressed problems with the liquor store near the childcare center. He stated there were subversive activities occurring, and that residents should step forth and speak out. He asked if the location could be changed.

**Mayor Burgess’ Responses**

Mayor Burgess thanked everyone for their questions and comments. He responded only to questions.

- The project on 223rd the 221st was a project by itself. If a person’s property/apron were torn, they would be replaced. Sidewalks and curbs were separate.
- He explained the Public Comment policy.
- Zoning, anyone can apply to have a space re-zoned. Two things must take place: there must be a hearing, and the public will have an opportunity to comment, and letters would be sent to the homes of residents in that area, notifying residents of the hearing and the intended business purpose. The zoning meeting will make a recommendation to the Board. It was procedural that an application is made, and funds paid for the application.
- The budget has changed many times, fearful that what the budget was, and that would be another draft. At that meeting, residents will receive personal copies at the meeting. Does not want the preliminary budget disseminated prior to changes to be made to it.
- Parking Lot- Mayor asked about the Police Report. Mayor would speak with the Chief. New furniture would not be ordered and placed until current repairs, and demolition of the building are made.
- Grocery Store, the Village is looking to bring in a store that would be built from the ground and not in an existing structure. The issue was between the leasee and the property owner.
• Liquor Store and Day Care, Mayor Burgess, stated that the liquor store was present prior to the daycare. The Village cannot make the store closed for the sake of the later establishment. Mayor Burgess stated that the Police would be requested to be more observant of the happenings in the area.
• The belittlement of Trustees, they try to be transparent, but to blame the Board would be a disservice as the Trustees do what they feel is right. They have a mind of their own, and they should not be berated.

4) Reports of Officers
   a) Mayor’s Report - Mayor Derrick Burgess:
      • Spoke on some of the Hot Topic issues that were presented at the IML Conference. A special meeting was scheduled for Thursday to pass two Ordinances that derived from the knowledge provided. He provided a disclaimer that the Ordinance coming to the forefront does not mean that we were seeking to get cannabis in the Village. He stated that the Ordinance must be in place now, in order to realize taxes from sales if it was the desire of the Board to vote on the issue in the future. He explained that in order to receive taxes from its sale if it was ever brought to the Village and approved. He discussed the power-point presentation and certain parameters governing the levels and types of establishments.
      • Legislature imposes taxes of 1% per gallon of gas. It is used for transportation only. The Ordinance coming before the Board on Thursday is designed to increase to three cents per gallon to assist with road repairs and improvements. Funds are dedicated and are not to go to the general fund. Atty. McGrath provided greater insights. Both would be on the Special Board Agenda of Thursday, September 26, 2019.
      • Mayor Burgess asked the Clerk to prepare to swear in two police officers. Chief White introduced them by stating the sacrifices they were willing to make to ensure safety, the process for them getting to this point, and their scoring and depth of testing encountered.

      Justin Hickman and Brian Sheridan were presented to the Board and residents. They were sworn into office by Village Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt and pinned by Police Chief Malcolm White on September 24, 2019.

   b) Village Clerk – Ms. Marva Campbell-Pruitt:
      • Reported that she attended the IML Conference Session on Social Media. She asked to form a Policy Committee to establish a policy and disclaimer for the Website and the Facebook Page. The topic would be an agenda item at the upcoming Committee of the Whole meeting.

   c) Administrator Chris Williams:
      • Reported that documented information is forthcoming.

   d) Atty. Mike McGrath spoke on the two ordinances that would be coming before the Board for approval. He mentioned that he received a letter from Collins and Radja regarding intents for interception of funds Village funds for the Police and Fire Pension Boards and
advised that the Village research how much is outstanding and to work to make the resolution. Atty. McGrath stated that reparation need not be so severe; it was advised to use one Actuary, and that an agreement should be made to plan for payment.

- Mayor Burgess stated that the Village had been paying funds over the last few years. They wanted to levy the Village for $687,000.00
- Treasurer Finch spoke on the document presented that evening and advised that he had been in communication. The company wanted assurance that funds would go to them instead of the general fund in the amount of 1.1 million to the Fire Fund and nine million to the Police Fund. The Village must decide to levy funds as requested
- Trustee Brewer asked if the County would take 20% of the funds from the general fund and was told; they want to see the Village progressively make an effort to pay the funds. The approved budget can show the willingness to make a good faith effort to show how the Village would contribute to meet the goal as we restrict the budget
  The Board recently approved and made a recent payment of $75,000.00, and many were curious if that prompted the letter
- Trustee Todd stated that the Village would have to make hard decisions regarding the budget. She asked how we made the payment. Director Finch stated that it was discussed and approved
  - Grant informed that this issue is not limited to Sauk Village only. A speaker at the IML Conference referenced the practice and predicament of many towns concerning the matter
  - Brewer stated that had the Trustees known, they could have done something. Grant advised that the notification was provided during the last two audits for which the current trustees were advised
  - Mayor Burgess stated that he mentioned the issue starting in 2017 and had asked the Board to allocate $50,000.00 for both mentions and it had occurred

- Village Engineer – Jim Czarnik provided a written report to provide an update on current projects and TIF Bonds improvement in 2 & 3
  - The report will be filed with the certified minutes.

- Treasurer’s Report – Mr. Anthony Finch presented the cash balances in the checking accounts, the number of unrestricted Funds, and the funds in the LOC. He spoke of the intended process to make reparations. His next budget would recommend how to avert the State from forcibly taking the funds. The report will be filed with the certified minutes.
  - Trustee Brewer questioned if the State would take 20% of the MFT and if sales taxes could be compromised. She stated that all must be realistic and that major cuts and lack of pay raises are required.
  - Director Finch advised that it would be impossible to pay 90% of the outstanding fees by 2040 as directed.
  - Trustee Grant advised that the Village should make a good faith effort to show that the Village would make progress to meet its obligations
  - Trustee Todd stated that the lack of payment did not occur overnight, and now the Board must amend the budget to reflect the needed funds.
5) **REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS**

a) Finance & Administration – Dir. Finch:
   - Reported the payroll for $131,615.33 and the Accounts Payable for $198, 25.89 for a total of $330, 141.22 would be up for approval
   - The report will be filed with the certified minutes.
     - Brewer stated that the Accounts Payable staff person was doing a great job.

b) Fire Department – Capt. Synowiec:
   - Reported that the department responded to twenty-eight (28) calls for service.
   - Reported that Kylee Luther passed all her exams and had received her Basic Firefighter Certification.
   - The report will be filed with the certified minutes.

c) Police Department – Chief Malcolm White:
   - Reported 509 calls for service, and sixteen (16) arrests
   - Stated that the department was investigating the shooting from the previous week
   - Announced Chat with the Chief on the third Thursday of each month
   - Reported on other items: the remodeling an older building and asbestos found; they were disposing of items in storage; and that he openly discusses what is going on in the PD
   - The report will be filed with the certified minutes.

d) Emergency Management Agency - Director Allen Vavrik was not present and did not provide a report

e) Public Works – Director Kevin Weller read a report, he mentioned:
   - The water main breaks and their efforts to make repairs
   - Plans to drop off a boil order and the intended release of boil order to affected residents; three light poles were damaged, spoke about the graffiti throughout the village, and increased debris was strewn throughout.
     - Brewer stated the number of water main breaks is too much
   - The report will be filed with the certified minutes.

f) Econ/Comm Development Interim Director was not present and did not provide a report

6) **REPORTS OF TRUSTEES, STANDING COMMITTEES AND COMMENTS**

a) Public Safety Committee- Trustee Gary Bell announced no meeting this month
   - He announced the sessions he attended.

b) Public Services Committee - Trustee Bernice Brewer:
   - Reported there were no updates on the streetlights
   - The number of water main breaks since January was nineteen. And, unless there was an influx of funds, they will not be able to keep up. Must seek funding
   - Kevin Weller provided a quarterly update. Pleased to receive information about the pension fund and the magnitude and severity
   - Need to work on the budget

c) Budget & Finance Committee- Trustee Rodrick R. Grant:
• Responded to Trustee Brewer regarding the fire hydrants in the budget and desired that the proposed fees would remain
• Reported no upcoming meeting
• Recapped his experience at the IML Conference; he attended a session on Municipal Budgeting, where the presenter made valid points and other recommendations to implement in the next budget process. He read a written report of sessions attended and his takeaways from each. The Clerk will seek to get the report to file with the certified minutes.

d) Housing and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Trustee Sherry Jasinski:
• Attended sessions on housing
• Had a Housing Committee Meeting, and realtors were again in attendance
• The ICC codes were very vague. He was advised that the Ordinance requires updating
• Spoke to Mrs. Cast request for vacant lists and her attempts to receive the report
• Spoke about the graffiti on the streets
• Stated she was a trustee who had never sat on a budget meeting, and it changed about seven times. She would not vote on something that kept changing

e) Ordinance Review Committee - Trustee Linda L. Todd:
• Had no report on the committee
• Could not attend IML
• Spoke on the Budget, asked when there would be a budget meeting.
• Stated the need for an unchanged budget; to have a hearing, and to put it forth for adoption

f) Public Events Committee - Trustee Debra Williams:
• Spoke on the logistics of Trunk and Treat
• Stated that she learned a lot at IML
• Suggested a Town Hall Meeting on Cannabis
• Spoke on taxes and budgets and how cuts can be made
• Thanked the clerk for arranging her remote attendance

7) REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS
   a) Senior Advisory Council – Mayor Burgess read the report for the Council outlining activities and Breakfast and Bingo.

8) Unfinished Business- None
9) NEW BUSINESS
Mayor Burgess called for motions on the following:
   a) Motion to Approve Payroll, Accounts Payable and Disbursements in the amount of $330,141,22

      Trustee Todd moved, and Trustee Bell seconded
      Upon Roll Call, the following voted:
      Ayes: Trustees Bell Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Williams
      Nays:  None
      Motion Carried

b) Motion to Approve a Resolution Amending Designation of an Authorized Agent to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) for the Village of Sauk Village

      Trustee Brewer moved, and Trustee Todd seconded
      Upon Roll Call, the following voted:
      Ayes: Trustees Bell Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Williams
      Nays:  None
      Motion Carried

c) Motion to Approve a Resolution Amending the Appointment of a Local Government Director to the South Suburban Land Bank and Development Authority

      Trustee Todd moved, and Trustee Bell seconded

      Upon Roll Call, the following voted:
      Ayes: Trustees Bell Brewer, Grant, Jasinski, Todd, Williams
      Nays:  None
      Motion Carried

10) Adjournment
Having completed the business of the Day, Mayor Burgess called for a motion to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Trustee Bell moved, and Trustee Brewer seconded. All approved via a consensus of a voice vote.

   /s/Derrick N. Burgess, Mayor

   /s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Village Clerk