Village of Sauk Village
Board Meeting of the Mayor and Corporate Authorities
Municipal Center
21801 Torrence Avenue, Sauk Village, Illinois
Tuesday, September 12, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

1) CALL TO ORDER – Honorable Mayor Derrick Burgess
   a) Pledge of Allegiance
   b) Roll Call

2) EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION
   a) Motion to Recess to Closed Session to Review Executive Board Minutes (5ILCS) 120/2 (c) (2021)

   Trustee Coleman moved, and Trustee Johnson seconded a motion to recess to Closed Session at 7:05 p.m.

   On Roll Call
   AYES: Trustees Burns, Carter, Coleman, Johnson, Sapp
   NAYS: None
   ABSENT: Trustee Williams
   Tardy:
   Motion Carried

   b) Motion to Reconvene Regular Board Meeting

   Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded a motion to reconvene the Board Meeting at 7:25 p.m.

   On Roll Call
   AYES: Trustees Burns, Carter, Coleman, Johnson, Sapp
   NAYS: None
   ABSENT: Trustee Williams

   Motion Carried

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   a) Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Committee Meeting on August 15, 2023

   Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

   On Roll Call
   AYES: Trustees: Burns, Carter, Johnson, Sapp
   NAYS: None
   ABSTENTION: Trustee Coleman
   ABSENT: Trustee Williams
Motion Carried

b) Approve the Executive Board Minutes for May 23, 2023, and to Hold Them

Grant Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees: Burns, Carter, Johnson, Sapp
NAYS: None
Abstention: Trustee Coleman
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

Motion Carried

c) Approve the Executive Board Minutes for July 18, 2023, and to Release Them

Grant Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees: Burns, Carter, Johnson, Sapp
NAYS: None
ABSTENTION: Trustee Coleman
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

Motion Carried

d) Approve the Executive Board Minutes for August 22, 2023, and to Release Them

Grant Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees: Burns, Carter, Johnson, Sapp
NAYS: None
ABSTENTION: Trustee Coleman
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

Motion Carried

4) PUBLIC COMMENT
- D. Smith questioned an ad in the Sauk Talk and what would be done about no records of funds turned in from a festival.
- D. Fields submitted a Letter of No-Confidence in Trustees Coleman, Burns, Sapp and Williams
- E. Blackmon read a second segment of the Letter of No-Confidence
- T. Cooper read a third segment of the Letter of No-Confidence
- F. Anderson concluded the Letter of No-Confidence.
• G. Brown spoke to and questioned Trustees’ spouses’ rude comments
• M. Brown quoted portions of a Southtown article sand and asked the Mayor what he will do about crime
• J. Burns questioned who’s responsible for the accounts payable and the errors they contain
• H. Favors questioned if the Mayor was still a member of P.A.M. where he mentioned becoming a millionaire and if the missing money aided in meeting the goat.
  o Mayor Burgess’ Responses
    ▪ The ad would be researched
    ▪ A budget can’t be produced if everyone is fired
    ▪ Asked if you see something say something
    ▪ Back and forth accusations can come back to haunt you
    ▪ Meeting proceedings make it hard to bring in business
    ▪ Opinions can be expressed, but be careful
    ▪ His salary if $20,000. He can’t invest it to make a million
    ▪ Accounts Payable changes at the last minute as invoices come late
• Al Kendall was allowed to speak on Fair Transit and resources available on October 16th

5) REPORTS OF OFFICERS

a) Mayor - Derrick Burgess :
   i. Announced the Board of Review Forum
   ii. Announced the sign up for basketball team
   iii. Thanked the volunteers who worked the Corn & Dog Roast

b) Village Clerk - Marva Campbell-Pruitt:
   i. Provided logistics on the Board of Review Forum
   ii. Discussed logistics for the IML Conference and financial record keeping

c) Village Treasurer – Louis Williams
   i. Reported the cash balances as
      I. Corporate Account $1,571,517
      II. Reserve - $823.225
      III. Senior Center - $9,645
   ii. A report from Zabinski was read noting:
      I. Funds were not accurate from previous years
      II. A proposal was forthcoming for three audits
      III. Wishes to provide a presentation at a Committee Meeting

d) Corporation Counsel – Ancel Glink Attorney – No Report

e) Village Engineer – Melanie Arnold, Robinson Engineering requested Board approval for the CIN project

6) REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

a) Police Department - Chief Malcolm White reported:
   i. Calls for Service - 428          Arrests – 24
ii. Provided an update on the homicide investigation
iii. The crime rate is not attributable to residents of Sauk Village and is not accurate

b) Fire Department – Chief Stephen Barrett reported:
   i. Calls for Service – 129
   ii. Announced that Fire Prevention Week begins on October 9th. The department will be
       in the schools on 10/14

c) Finance Department – Interim Director Renee Lewis:
   i. Refuted Trustee Coleman’s claim reminding him that he attended the budget meeting

d) Village Administrator – Interim Director Timothy Williams Reported:
   i. Work efforts of the department (assisted fifty-three residents, branch pick up, yard
       sale, grass cutting and water department billing)


e) Community Development – Vacant
f) Public Works – Interim Director Anthony Gilyard

7) REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS
   a) Public Health & Safety - Trustee Aretha Burns
      i. Referenced a public comment and requested the return of $250 from the July 4th
         event
      ii. Justified the receivership and reporting of funds
      iii. Addressed the vote of no-confidence
      iv. Reported the next meeting on 9/29

   b) Public Services - Trustee Raven Johnson reported the next meeting on 9/13

   c) Ordinance Review - Trustee Arnold Coleman reported the next meeting on 9/25 and provided
      the reason that the August meeting was canceled

   d) Budget, Finance & Audit – Trustee Eugene Carter reported the next meeting on 9/26

   e) Housing and Intergovernmental Relations - Trustee Diane Sapp announced the next meeting on
      10/9

   f) Community Development - Trustee Debra Williams - Absent

8) REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS
   a) Senior Advisory Committee – Chairman Emmett Farmer announced
      i. Senior Advisory Committee Meeting
      ii. Casino Trip – 9/27
      iii. Sneaker Ball – 10/14

   b) Fire and Police Commission – Chairman Francine Anderson:
      i. Announced that the applications for police exams was extended until 10/14
c) Zoning Board of Appeals Commission – Chairman Charles Pondexter – not present

9) **PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

a) 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

Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

**On Roll Call**
AYES: Trustees Carter, Johnson
NAYS: Trustees Burns, Coleman, Sapp
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

Motion Failed

b) A Resolution Amending Designation of an Authorized Agent to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund for The Village Of Sauk Village, Cook County Illinois

Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

**On Roll Call**
Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

**On Roll Call**
AYES: Trustees Carter, Johnson
NAYS: Trustees Burns, Coleman, Sapp
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

Motion Failed

c) A Resolution of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook County Honoring Edward Myers with an Honorary Street Designation

Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

**On Roll Call**
AYES: Trustees Carter, Johnson
NAYS: Trustees Burns, Coleman, Sapp
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

Motion Failed
d) A Resolution Approving and Authorizing A Professional Services Agreement By and Between The Village of Sauk Village And Mallon and Associates, Inc.

Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees Carter, Johnson
NAYS: Trustees Burns, Coleman, Sapp
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

Motion Failed

e) A Resolution Approving a Creative Services Project Agreement Between the Village of Sauk Village and Avidity Technologies

Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees Carter, Coleman, Johnson
NAYS: Trustees Burns, Sapp
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

Motion Carried

f) Resolution Approving A Creative Services Project Agreement Between The Village Of Sauk Village and AT&T

Motion not presented because of the lack of documentation

10) Unfinished Business
   None

11) New Business
   a) Financial Matters:
      i. Approve Transfers, Payroll and Accounts Payable Distributions in the Combined Amount of $542,724.44, and authorize the Finance Department to Remit Payments

Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded

Discussion
After the initial motion failed and discussion of the desire ensued to remove line items 1000-572-6000, invoices 2167-2184, for $22,165.00, the motion was improperly amended to Approve Transfers, Payroll and Accounts Payable Distributions in the Combined Amount of $520,559.44 and authorize the Finance Department to Remit Payments once Mayor Burgess
informed the Board of the consequences of such action. The motion was brought back with the above-mentioned amendment

Trustee Coleman moved, and Trustee Sapp seconded

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees: Burns, Carter, Coleman, Sapp
NAYS: Trustee Johnson
ABSENT: Trustee Williams

b) **PETITIONS, AGREEMENTS, AND ACTION ITEMS**
   NONE

12) **GENERAL COMMENTS FROM MAYOR BURGESS**
   a) Advised the Trustees that the failed motions moved the Village backwards

13) **ADJOURNMENT**
    Having completed the business of the day, a motion to adjourn was moved by Trustee Burns and seconded by Trustee Coleman at 9:40 p.m. The motion was unanimously carried.