JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
21801 TORRENCE AVENUE, SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS

June 4, 2024, 7:00 PM

~~**Meeting Agenda**~~

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

   Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

   On Roll Call
   Present: Carter, Johnson, Burns, Coleman, Williams
   Absent: Trustee Sapp

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3. **DISCUSSIONS & PRESENTATIONS**

   - The Resolution Approving And Authorizing Improvements Under The Illinois Highway Code For Roadway Projects Under Rebuild Illinois Funds Project (BLR 09110) was presented by Engineer Melanie Arnold. It would be funded by the CDBG Project for 219th Pl, from Orion to Merrill Avenue. It was previous approved for $3000,000 and would include any overages from the Rebuild Illinois Funds. She explained that it was a typical Resolution and was perfunctory.

     Questions by Trustees were addressed.
     The Clerk explained that she typically adds the Cover Page and Certification page, as what is presented are the documents required by the state which covers the components of a Resolution.

     A bid is not required at this time.

     Eng. Arnold recommended that the item proceed to the Board Agenda for consideration for adoption with the noted corrected spelling of a street name.

   - Trustee Aretha Burns discussed an Ordinance drawn up by the Legislative Counsel regarding Salaries of Elected Officials compensation for Trustees attendance at meetings when there was no quorum.

     Mayor Burgess requested that the Corporate Counsel be contacted to address the tenets of the proposed Ordinance and that any changes should be brought for discussion at the following Committee of the Whole Meeting on June 18, 2024.

   - Trustee Burns reported on a complaint received by a resident/renter of the Community Center who was not compensated for the difference in cost as the rental was moved to the Senior Center because the HVAC was inoperable. The renter wanted a portion of her cash deposit returned but was told she would have to wait until after June 1st.

Mayor Burgess responded that the renter had been advised that the system was not working, and the center could not be rented. Her request for a cash refund, but those who hold the key to the safe were not available. He further explained the procedure for refunds.

- Trustee Burns inquired when RJCC would start, for which the Mayor did not know.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- F. Harvey stated that the voter's deserve better, without any other commentary
- J. Houston mentioned that the grass near 223rd and Murphy, near the water catchment area needs mowing.
- F. Anderson commented that the proposed Salary Ordinance needed to be more inclusive as it would be unfair to limit compensation to those who attended the meeting because there was no quorum; She announced that Rebuilding and IDOT Funds have been standard for years and that the process had not changed.
- D. Smith commented that he agreed with Ms. Anderson; he stated that Trustees wanted applications to be reviewed, but not by the Corporate Counsel. He read that statute highlighting the Legislative Counsels duties and responsibilities. He asked if the Legislative Counsel could be sanctioned or removed for violating the code.
- D. Fields cited how it hurts the Village when only two Trustees show to meetings, and that collaboration was needed
- J. Burns commented that the lack of audits and theft allegations must be addressed, along with not being able to meet when there was a lack of Quorum.
    - Mayor Burgess' Response(s)
        1. As there were mostly comments, he concurred that collaboration was needed.

5. GENERAL COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES & MAYOR

- Trustee Williams remarked on the need for special meetings, explained the typical process for adding/removing agenda items and warned that anytime requested items are not on the agenda, she would call a Special Meeting. She stated further that she did not wish to be paid for two meetings.
- Trustee Coleman responded to the allegation that the four Trustees were conspiring and stated they conspire to get audits, Bank Recs, budgets, and other things done. Outside of meetings they can speak two by two.
- Trustee Burns spoke on a number of issues: The Village is not home-rule; Trustees will hold their own meetings; others should mind their business; Corporate and Legislative attorneys' business is between them, and not her; Trustees must retrieve and read their meeting materials; she asked why all financial matters are late, i.e., levies, audits and missing funds; the Vendor in the HR role should have nothing to do with the Village. Lawsuits between Finch and the Mayor was mentioned, and that the Village does not send a representative to respond to lawsuits, and the amount of payment to the Corporate Authorities.
- Trustee Carter and Johnson had no comment
- Mayor Burgess refuted the lateness of the Levy, stating it was postponed; He stated that the Abatement could be late; H knew nothing about the lawsuits mentioned. He appealed to the Board to be respectful and factual when making statements so that the business of the Village can be realized.

6. **EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION** was not called.

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7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Burns seconded the Mayor's request for motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. The vote was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt
Village Clerk

/s/Derrick Burgess
Mayor

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OF THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES
VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
21801 TORRENCE AVENUE, SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
June 18, 2024, 7:00 PM
Meeting Agenda

This Meeting Did Not Take Place

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   ROLL CALL

2. **DISCUSSIONS & PRESENTATIONS**
   - **Interim Village Administrator, Kenneth Johnson**
     - AIC Services Presentation

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS -** All questions and comments must be directed to the Mayor. Each speaker may comment on any matter concerning the business of the Sauk Village Municipality. Each speaker is allowed **one opportunity** to speak for up to three (3) minutes and may not engage in debate, counter-replies, or rebuttals. Mayor Burgess will respond to questions once all public comments have concluded.

4. **GENERAL COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES & MAYOR**

5. **EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION**
   - Motion to Recess to Closed Session to Discuss Personnel Matters, Update of Pending Litigation, Collective Bargaining Matters, Review Executive Board Minutes, Real Estate, or Employment and Compensation as needed (5ILCS) 120/2 (c) (2021)
   - Reconvene Committee of the Whole Meeting

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

Prepared By Village Clerk, Marva Campbell-Pruitt
6/15/2024

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THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Sauk Village Municipal Center
21801 Torrence Avenue
Sauk Village, Illinois
June 18, 2024
6:30 p.m.

Notice of the Special Meeting called by three Trustees: Burns, Sapp and Williams

NOTE THE NUMERATION IS OFF IN ORDER TO PRESENT ITEMS IN THE STANDARD FORMAT.

1. Call to Order	Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance:	Mayor Burgess led the constituency in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call:	Present: Trustees: Carter, Coleman, Johnson, Sapp, and Williams Absent: NONE Burns
Staff Present:	Interim VA Johnson
Others in Attendance:	Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Atty. Bolin

4) Presentation of Ordinances and Resolutions

A) An Ordinance Establishing the Office of the Inspector General for the Village of Sauk Village

Trustee Carter motioned and Trustee Johnson seconded a motion to Table the item

Comments

Mayor Burgess questioned the actions if the meeting was a Committee Meeting

Trustee Johnson took exception with the wording of actionable items as they lacked "A Motion"

Coleman stated it was a Committee Meeting and no actions were needed.
Trustee Burns took exception and voiced her perception of the Trustees' role in bringing legislation, stating they/she can bring forth ordinances with or without the Corporate Attorney's opinion, but that she had shared the topics with him with no response

Atty. Bolin commented and noted the language of the Call Meeting being a Board of a Whole Meeting, and that he had responded

Trustee Williams highlighted the language on the Notice
Trustee Johnson asked that Notices and agendas be completed by the Clerk so that the documents could be properly presented.

Mayor Burgess asked Atty. Bolin if it was procedurally correct to discuss and vote on items. Atty. Bolin referred to the past practice of the Village to discuss items at Committee meetings and then take actions at a Board meeting.

Trustee Williams

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

b) An Ordinance Adopting Section 2-182 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Sauk Village Regarding Hiring Procedures for Village Employees

Mayor Burgess asked for a motion to table the item
Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Carter seconded

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

Trustee Coleman moved to let the original motion stand; Trustee Williams seconded

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

ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Burgess advised of his intent to veto

c) An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article IV of the Municipal Code of the Village of Sauk Village concerning Salaries of Elected Officials

Discussion

Mayor Burgess stated that elected official's was not discussed previously and that salaries could not be changed during the middle of the terms

Trustee Johnson advised that she had asked to add information and to amend the Ordinance as she had asked for time to include her feedback. It was to be discussed at the meeting at the Meeting of the Whole and that she would do so at the next meeting.

Trustee Coleman asked that discussion be done, and then they could vote on the item.

Trustee Burns suggested to vote on the item, and then if changes are desired, it could be amended.

Mayor Burgess reminded that the Ordinance Review should review amended Ordinances for recommendation.

Trustee Coleman read the tenets of the intended Ordinance and discounted that its intent was not to change the compensation of officials.

Much discord ensued.

Atty. Bolin attempted to re-establish decorum by clarifying any change to Trustee Pay relative to meetings attended that were properly scheduled or called would constitute in salary.

Mayor asked for a motion to table the item pending further discussion
Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Carter seconded

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees: Carter, Johnson

NAYS: Trustees: Burns, Coleman, Sapp, Williams
ABSENT: None
MOTION FAILED

Trustee Coleman moved to let the original motion stand; Trustee Burns seconded

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees: Burns, Coleman, Sapp, Williams
NAYS: Trustees: Carter, Johnson
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED
Mayor Burgess advised of his intent to veto

d) An Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code of the Village of Sauk Village concerning Surety Bonds of the Finance Department Employees

Discussion
Trustee Burns read portions of the code that stipulates the requirement for Surety Bonds of specific officers, and justified why the need is great.

Mayor asked that Trustee Burns speak to the difference between a Surety Bond and Official insurance. She responded that she would provide the information for those interested so they could read it.

Trustee Coleman made a statement that was not distinguishable. He then read the amendment.

Lack of discord and respect was noted.
The Mayor questioned how Trustees could vote on an item when they did not know what they were voting on.

Mayor Burgess asked for a motion to table the item
Trustee Carter moved and Trustee Johnson seconded

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

Trustee Burns moved to let the original motion stand; Trustee Sapp seconded

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

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Burgess advised of his intent to veto

e) A Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code to Utilize the Village's Rebuild Illinois (RBI) Funds for the 219th Place Roadway Improvement Project (BLR 0911O)

Trustee Williams moved, and Trustee Burns seconded

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

5) FINANCIAL MATTERS:

i. Approve Transfers, Payroll, Accounts Payable Distributions in the Combined Amount of $446,404.60 and authorize the Finance Department to Remit Payments

Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded the motion

A motion to **amend** the motion to deduct $114,735.82 and to strike the original amount, and replace it with $ was made by Trustee Coleman and seconded by Trustee Williams

Discussion

Trustee Coleman asked that the items be removed temporarily until clarity is provided and the vendors attend meetings to

Mayor Burgess asked if the desire were that the vendors noted would come before the Board to explain their invoices. He further stated that the services had already been provided.

Atty. Bolin stated that it is incumbent that the Village pay vendors, to not do so, would subject the Village to financial penalties.

Trustee Williams asked that the business of SDA be detailed. She asked for copies of the invoices to review before they are approved and stated her continued asks for accurate Aging Reports to no avail and Accounts Payable when revised should designate the changes. She questioned why Odelson and Sterk was on the original A/P, but removed, and commented that AIC had been previously discussed and it was established that they must be paid.

Trustee Burns questioned AIC's work output. She stated that their invoices must be detailed. She asserted that residents are never on A/P

Trustee Johnson stated that A/P should be paid and not amended every
Mayor Burgess reread the motion to amend and stated each removal and the amounts

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

Motion to Approve Transfers, Payroll, Accounts Payable Distributions in the Combined Amount of $331,668.878 and authorize the Finance Department to Remit Payments
Trustee Burns moved, and Trustee Sapp seconded

Discussion

Atty. Bolin was questioned how to address the desire to add items back to Accounts/Payable. He responded that additional amendments could have been entertained.

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

Motion Carried

A motion to amend the previous motion was made by Trustee Williams and was seconded by Trustee Coleman to approve the payments of $19,638.59 to Odelson and Sterk

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

Motion Carried

Another motion to approve payment was made by Trustee Johnson, and seconded by Trustee Carter to approve payment of $77,415 to H.R.; $13, 644.28 to AIC

Discussion
Trustee Coleman stated that the items were already voted on.
Trustee Burns stated that we cannot entertain items that had been previously voted on

Atty. Bolin advised that the suggestions were out of order, while Trustee Williams distinguished the difference between her motion and the one that is before the Board at the moment.

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees: Carter, Johnson
NAYS: Trustees: Burns, Coleman, Sapp, Williams
Motion Failed

6) PETITIONS, AGREEMENTS AND ACTION ITEMS
i. Approve Laptops for Trustees

Discussions

Trustee Johnson took exception to purchasing laptops when Trustees do not know what troubleshooting by IT constitutes

Trustee Burns justified the need for laptops

Trustee Williams stated that she was previously opposed to laptops, but she is now in favor of receiving files electronically.

Mayor Burgess suggested that IT be consulted to determine the cost. Trustee Burns insisted that it be acted upon that evening.

Trustee Williams remarked that a laptop was recently purchased and should be placed in the inventory.

Attorney Bolin advised that a motion should be made

Trustee Johnson avowed that the Police and Fire Departments should have laptops

Mayor Burgess asked to be placed on record that Trustees were willing to purchase laptops with no stated amounts.

Trustee Williams asked that the motion be amended to read that the laptops approval should to state not to exceed $1,000.

Trustee Williams moved and Trustee Coleman seconded

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

Approve the purchase of laptops
Trustee Coleman moved, and Trustee Burns seconded.

7) Public comments

- F. Harvey commented on the lack of notice and causes for late payments
- F. Anderson commented on the Special Meeting to conduct business that was on the regularly scheduled meeting. She cited that residents are confused by the varying time changes.
- D. Smith identified several error on the Official Notice for the Special Meetings; He further stated that Parliamentary Law should be followed when government calls Special Meetings.
- J. Burns stated that Trustees contradict themselves; mentioned missing funds; incomplete audits and timely budgets; and that the current Finance Director has been in office for sixteen months and have not produced needed financial documents.
- D. Fields cited Ordinance 2:182 giving Trustees authority to hire and questioned their qualifications. He recalled a Trustee vowing not to pay bills without a budget in place.
- T. Ollivari <sp> stated that she was appalled and embarrassed by the actions occurring that night. She spoke on the disrespect and how they do not represent her or residents. She appealed to all to meet in the middle.
- H. Favors agreed with Trustees having laptops and appealed to Trustees and Mayor to come together.
    - Mayor Burgess' Response(s)
        - As most were comments, he responded only to the laptop requests and stated that Accounts/Payable would be changed based upon the updates projected to be discussed by AIC.

8) General Comments of Trustees and Mayor

Mayor Burgess requested to defer comments of Trustees and Mayor as there were two additional meetings scheduled that evening with the same agenda item. Trustees took issue with the suggestion. Trustee Burns made a motion to adjourn and asked for a second. She then requested that the Village Clerk call for a motion and a second to adjoin. The Village Clerk followed procedural guidelines and refused. With that, the Trustees and the Legislative Attorney walked out before a former adjournment. Mayor Burgess informed them that if they walked out, they would not be paid.

Mayor Burgess stated that effect of the walk-out, as the presentation scheduled was to hear recommendations for upgrading the network system. The next meetings would not occur because of the lack of a quorum.

9) Adjournment

The meeting concluded at 7:28 p.m.

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SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OF THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES
VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
21801 TORRENCE AVENUE, SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS
June 25, 2024, 6 :30 PM

Notice of the Special Committee Meeting called by Mayor Derrick Burgess was issued in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

   Mayor Burgess called to order the Special Committee Meeting at 6:31 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

   On Roll Call

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

   Absent: None

   Trustee Sapp arrived at the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

   Trustee Burns asked for a motion to amend the agenda to adopt motions of the Board Meeting and was informed that the motion could not be entertained as this, and the Board meeting were separate meetings.

3. **DISCUSSIONS & PRESENTATIONS**
   - **Interim Village Administrator, Kenneth Johnson**
     - Mr. Johnson provided and introduction of the speaker, Mr. Stephen Mack of AIC Services who provided the following after introducing himself as CEO and owner of AIC Technologies:
       1. During the presentation, Mr. Mack provided the history of the firm and an overview and introduction from the proposal presented that evening. He introduced Victor Treadwell COO who would be a co-presenter.
       2. Mr. Mack mentioned the 2024 work completed with AT & T and the evaluation of the network requirements for the various departments. In the discovery, he found immediate needs for upgrading the network and needed repairs.
       3. He cited several areas/items related to security that need to be addressed, such as a dedicated recovery plan and the need for cybersecurity of the systems and all desktop equipment.
       4. He reported on the goals and scope of the proposal presented and provided suggestions relative to each area of need.
       5. He shared that items being implemented presently were provided by his firm in 2022, and then AIC was removed from the equation.
       6. The system now in place when they were onboarded in April 2024 was placed with no transition of procedures or processes. He informed that the proposal presented would be more cost-efficient and effective. The proposed services

would replace Comcast, a service being paid $1,500 monthly that is not connected.

COMMENTS/QUESTION

Trustee Coleman questioned items addressed and was directed to the proposal where the language occurred that addressed his questions. One in particular was that the charges were not monthly fees, but a one-time charge to upgrade the system, the proposal does not entertain routine management, and that the current contract agreement addresses routine management.

- Victor Treadwell spoke on his work efforts within the Village and stated that the work effort is too extensive for itemization
    1. He provided his credentials and schooling
    2. He stated that some of the Village's systems had not bee updated over the last twenty years.
    3. He stated that the Village was moving in the right direction and discussed future work efforts relative to the goals previously mentioned.

    COMMENTS
    Trustee Johnson asked that a contingency plan be drafted, and for a report of the efforts needed and implemented over that past weekend.

    4. The presentation continued according to the proposal presented
    That included Specs and Recommendations, inclusive of a company, Ubiquiti for $48,739 as illustrated in the proposal

COMMENTS
Other comments discussed, not recorded by a specific Trustee:

- There was a concern for the $6,000, "deep-dive" expended in 2022 and know the same is being considered or billed in 2024
- The IT consulted with AT & T in 2022 and management did not occur, promised work efforts were not implemented.
- There was a request that all updates and reports provided to Mr. Johnson be copied to Trustees.

Mayor Burgess called for a ten-minute recess at 7:48 p.m. as a result of hostility and lack of decorum

On Roll Call
Present: Trustees: Carter, Johnson, Burns, Coleman, Sapp, and Williams
Absent: None

The meeting reconvened at 7:58 p.m.

It was decided that the AIC proposal would be presented at the next Board meeting for consideration for adoption.

Trustee Burns asked to be excused at 8:00 p.m. as she had to go to work.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- F. Anderson made comments. She hoped to correct the Internet system; Trustee's Burns implications that AIC was the offender and her directions to AIC were inappropriate, the number on Village Administrators impacted the flow of operations.
- D. Fields stated that the Village needs to come into the 21st Century. He stated the shamefulness of Trustees allowing Burns to continue to condemn AIC and other processes, the games being played, and the circuses she presents, and lastly the agendas for the Special meetings are self-serving.
- D. Smith commented on his embarrassment on the occurrences that transpired as the presenters were badgered. He noted that without an upgrade to the network system, the internet and all functioning will falter. He cited that while the business of the Village is conducted at meetings, Burns is out partying, though Accounts Payable must be approved. He appealed to Trustees, as he alleged that they empower her to perform as she does, thus, they are as guilty as she.
    - Mayor Burgess' Response(s)
        1. As there were no questions, there were no responses

5. GENERAL COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES & MAYOR

- There were no comments from Trustees Sapp, Williams, Carter or Johnson; Trustee Burns was not present.
- Trustee Coleman stated that he agreed on the length of time it has taken the Internet system to be corrected. He cited that the Mayor was the common denominator in all previous years of inaction, and that Trustees could not be blamed. He further stated that to ask about cost of bills did not require technical assistance. He stated that some residents who attended meetings did not care for the Village.
- Mayor Burgess' comments centered on the comments from Trustees and stated that their comments should address their committee work, not point fingers, and not to incite people to go off. He asked Trustees to provide reports on their committee efforts

6. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Carter seconded, the motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8: 15 p.m.

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt
Village Clerk

/s/Derrick Burgess
Mayor

Village of Sauk Village
Board Meeting Corporate Authorities
Municipal Center
21801 Torrence Avenue, Sauk Village, Illinois
Tuesday, June 25, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order** Mayor Burgess called the meeting to order at 8:24 p.m.

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

   b. **Roll Call:** Present: Trustees: Carter, Coleman, Johnson, Sapp, and Williams
   Absent: Trustee Burns

Staff Present: Interim Director Lewis, Chief Barrett, Chief White, Director James, Interim Village Administrator Johnson

Others in Attendance: Clerk Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Atty Bolin

2) **EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION**
NONE

3) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a) Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Special Board Meeting of May 31, 2024
Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Williams seconded the motion

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

MOTION CARRIED

b) Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 31, 2024

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

c) Approve the Journal of Proceedings for the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 4, 2024

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

4) Public Comment

- F. Anderson admonished Trustees to be cognizant of the time and length of meetings; appealed to the Board to refund the resident $50, and to let the VA and others do their jobs
- D. Smith commented that vendors who have performed work should be paid in a timely manner and questioned Coleman's removal of items from Accounts/Payable
    - Mayor Burgess had not response as only comments were presented

5) Reports of Officers

a) Mayor - Derrick Burgess reported that:

i. Peotone Airport would come to fruition and residents should be readied for extra traffic that would be caused

ii. The new casino has significant job opportunities

iii. The possibility of a store and other commerce should materialize during the summer

b) Village Clerk - Marva Campbell-Pruitt reported that:

i. A decision to select a company to codify ordinances was essential and asked that it be on the next Committee of the Whole Meeting.

ii. Asked that the Diligent Company for electronic meeting management be placed on the next Committee of the Whole Meeting

iii. The Municipal Center would be closed on Thursday, July 4th to commemorate the holiday.

c) Interim Village Treasurer – Mr. Louis Williams was not present

d) Interim Village Administrator – Mr. Kenneth Johnson presented:

i. An update on the redevelopment efforts for the casino and stated that it was in the final stages and would proceed to the Zoning Board. As it is a mixed-use project, they must be addressed individually. The developers will make the requisite changes to support the project

ii. B & F, the consulting firm for the building department has allocated dedicated staff to work on the Village's behalf

iii. The Corporate Counsel will develop an Ordinance regarding squatters and unkempt properties will be charged to the owner(s)

6) Reports of Departments

a) Corporation Counsel – Ancel Glink Attorney had no report

b) Village Engineer – Mr. Johnson read the report stating that there would be bid opening on July 9th

Trustee Williams requested a link to the website.

c) Police Department - Chief Malcolm White reported:
   i. 385 Calls for Service   twenty-four arrests
   ii. More funds than ever were raised at the 5/17 Cop on Top.

d) Fire Department – Chief Stephen Barrett reported:
   i. Calls for Service - 100
   ii. Advise offered: not to fall asleep while cooking and to check on neighbors

e) Finance Department – Interim Director Renee Lewis had no report

f) Public Works – Director Dante' James reported:
   i. Calls for Service – 49, 110 shut-offs; eleven tree removals. He also spoke of storm drains, grass cutting, streetlights; removal of a BB hoop and that the Fire station is a cooling center.

   Comments

   Clerk Campbell-Pruitt thanked the director for his responsiveness to residents' calls for service

   Mayor Burgess spoke on the penalty for illegal firework activity, Chief reinforced it.

   Chief White thanked the PW Director and stated the police's inability to catch everyone violating the fireworks ordinance, but citations will be given to those caught.

7) Reports of Committees And Commissions

a) Senior Advisory Committee – Chairperson Emmett Farmer announced the Bowling Night and the Casino Trip

b) Board of Fire and Police Commissioner – Chairperson Francine Anderson announced the recruitment efforts and testing dates for the police and fire departments

c) Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission – Chairperson Charles Pondexter was not present

8) Presentation of Ordinances and Resolutions

None

9) Unfinished Business

None

10) New Business

a) Financial Matters:

i. Approve Transfers, Payroll, Accounts Payable Distributions in the Combined Amount of $698,740.98, and authorize the Finance Department to Remit Payments

Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee seconded the motion

A motion to **amend** the motion to deduct $91,412.70, and to strike the original amount, was made by Trustee Coleman and seconded by Trustee Williams

Comments/Discussion

SDA has a contract for quarterly payments of $13,997.70 and must be paid. The effort to strike that payment was retracted

Trustee Williams would review invoices on Mondays at 3:00 p.m.

It was stated that the need to step back from removing payments as vendors had been sending invoices for payment to former department heads

Atty. Bolin explained the need for a two-thirds affirmative vote to amend motions

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

Motion to Approve Transfers, Payroll, Accounts Payable Distributions in the Combined Amount of $621,325.98, and authorize the Finance Department to Remit Payments

Trustee Coleman moved, and Trustee Williams seconded a motion

On Roll Call
AYES: Trustees: Carter, Coleman, Johnson, Sapp (Remotely) Williams
NAYS: None

Motion Carried

b) **PETITIONS, AGREEMENTS, AND ACTION ITEMS**

i. Mayor Burgess presented Vetoes of the following Ordinances approved at the June 18, 2024, Special Board Meeting and the Motion to Approve Laptops for Trustees:

I. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article IV of the Municipal Code of the Village of Sauk Village Concerning Salaries of Elected Officials
II. An Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code of the Village of Sauk Village Concerning Surety Bonds of Finance Department Employees
III. An Ordinance Adopting Section 2-182 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Sauk Village Regarding Hiring Procedures for Village Employees

11) REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

a) Budget, Finance & Audit – Trustee Eugene Carter stated that he would provide an update on the meetings

b) Ordinance Review - Trustee Arnold Coleman was asked to provide an update to amend the Fair Housing Ordinance

c) Public Services - Trustee Raven Johnson announced the next meeting on 06 27 at 7:00 p.m.

d) Housing and Intergovernmental Relations - Trustee Diane Sapp announced a Home Buyer's Seminar on July 27th

   i. Community Development - Trustee Debra Williams reported that without a Code Dept, she could not conduct needed research and asked to work with the Village Administrator. She reported that three vendors had requested a meeting with the Administrator to no avail, and that Jeff Morden of MWRD needed to meet with the Village Administrator she also commented on: IT updates and Upgrades had been mentioned for years; The 2024-2025 budget; No accurate Aging Report and that the Village cant hand-pick who to pay. If the funds are available, bills should be paid and the need for the Finance Director to inform them; and lastly Mayor Burgess' posts on social media about what Trustees are not doing.

e) Public Health & Safety - Trustee Aretha Burns was not present

12) General Comments From Mayor Burgess

I. Mayor Burgess commented on the previous agenda item and his hoped to get a report of the committees' work efforts, and not opinions and finger point. He appealed to Trustees to bring solutions to problems.

ii. He announced that he had a conversation and was interviewed on Old Plank Trail developments

iii. The budget would be presented by the end of the week

iv. He appealed to all to be cautious with the holiday upon us and to allow professionals manage the fireworks

13) Adjournment

Having completed the business of the day, a motion to adjourn was made at p.m. Trustee Johnson moved, and Trustee Carter seconded. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

/s/Marva Campbell-Pruitt
Village Clerk

/s/Derrick Burgess
Mayor