Elmwood Park Village Board Meeting Minutes
3131 Taylor Avenue – Village Hall Building 4
June 13, 2013 – 6:30 P.M.

All agenda items shall follow protocol including staff overview, Board discussion, questions by public, Board disposition of item. The public must be recognized by the President.

## I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL 6:30 p.m.

Present: Trustee Haas, Trustee Clouthier, Trustee Jaeck, President Mills, Clerk/Treasurer Barbara McNulty, Trustee Towery, Trustee Steiner, Trustee Voss.

### II. The Village Board will take up a motion to go into CLOSED SESSION

per WI 19.85 (1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, and; WI §19.85 (1) (e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Re: Compensation and reimbursement for President and Clerk/Treasurer.

Motion to go in to closed session by Trustee Clouthier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee Haas, all in favor.

# Return to open session

### III. PUBLIC COMMENT AND INPUT

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.84(2) "the public notice of a meeting of the governmental body may provide for a period of public comment, during which the body may **receive** information from members of the public." Correspondence shall be read into record at this time.

No public comment.

### IV. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent portion of the agenda is a means of expediting routine matters that must be acted on by the Board. All items approved will be done by one non-debatable motion passed unanimously. Any item may be removed for debate by any member of the Board. Items removed from the consent portion may be acted upon before proceeding to the next agenda item.

- 1. Account Payable –May, 2013
  - Approved by all Trustees.
- Minutes of May 9, 2013 Village Board Meeting.
   Motion to accept by Trustee Clouthier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Haas, all in favor.

## IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion for pay increase –

Motion by Trustee Voss to increase salary clerk/treasurer to \$10,000. Retro active to start date  $-2^{nd}$  by Trustee Steiner. All in favor. Re-imbursement of cell phone cost for president to \$80.00 per month motion made by Trustee Haas,  $2^{nd}$  by Trustee Voss, all in favor.

- 2. Reports
  - a. Racine County Sheriff: Monthly Report No report.
  - b. Clerk/Treasurer No report.
  - c. Trustees

Trustee Voss – No Report – Question from resident Leif Petersen regarding pot holes. Only major pot holes in the Village were repaired.

Trustee Steiner – Complaints to Weed Commission – Trustee Steiner will investigate complaints and will work with Village Clerk to send letters.

Trustee Towery – No Report

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Trustee Jaeck - No report.

Trustee Clouthier – DNR – Review of recycling program, grant received. Waste Management contract up for renewal. Automated system will go in to effect. Days of filing garbage and extra items on the side will not be allowed. New system the driver never leaves the truck so will not be picking up anything not in the trash container. New trucks available now, Trustee Clouthier asked Waste Management for lead time before starting program so that the Village can educate its' residents on the new system. If resident has additional waste they would need to call Waste Management for an additional pick-up and resident will be billed for that pick-up. Contract is due to renew at the end of the year. Trustee Voss suggested getting bids from other contractors for the service, Trustee Clouthier had planned on doing that. Discussed diesel cost vs. regular gas cost. We are charged based on cost of diesel on the first Monday of the month. State is considering a law where the cost for waste removal is based on usage by number of residents in the household and suggesting municipalities bill differently than they are currently doing. They are also considering not going in to the alley when there is one, all pick up will be done curbside by street. Trustee Clouthier went over how we are billed from Waste Management. Trustee Haas – Postal Service, Elwood Park by the end of the week. President Mills added a new mailbox was installed. It has an "outgoing" mail slot.

- 3. Bids review Red House Paint Buildings 4 & 5 exterior, Building 4 interior and exterior.

  Motion by Trustee Jaeck to have Red House Paint complete the painting at a cost not to exceed \$6,355.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Haas, all in favor.
- Legacy Masonry brick/flashing/tuck pointing.
   Motion to approve the Legacy Masonry contract for work per bid not to exceed \$7,750.00 made by Trustee Jaeck, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Clouthier, all in favor.
- 5. Tower Energy Beebe School

  Motion to have Tower Energy to \$2,420.00 made by Trustee Haas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Steiner, all in favor. Carbon monoxide CO2 test completed missing radiator totally, today over 100 parts carbon monoxide, to correct must be re-piped. Must be handled in a special meeting.
- New Maintenance Man John Lenart –
   Lives in Village, Dave thanks village for allowing him to be part of the Village, will be willing to assist if John is not available.
- 7. Opening fencing and entrances to Beebe Park
  Trustee Haas suggested removing fence, which would show the park was open. Concerns were
  expressed about the liability if a child playing in the park were to have an accident due to the
  traffic on the street, and other public nuisances that may result in the lack of a fence. Village
  resident expressed concern about the large amount of weeds was growing up against the fence,
  President Mills will have lawn service take a look at it and if possible to clear it, however if the
  weeds are in the fence the residents will need to take care of them.
- 8. Ordinance change public nuisances on commercial properties what is process for adding an ordinance, with sunset clause, to increase fines on commercial properties?

  Trustee Haas would like to know the process to create an ordinance. Attorney Geary suggested looking in to ordinances other villages and cities have.

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9. Moving date of Village Board Office – June 18, 2013, to Building 1, all residents are invited to check out the new office. There is an area for residents to come and visit and look through information about the village. New handicap signs will be put up on each end of the parking area – 4 parking spaces will be available. Handrails for handicap will be placed on Bldg. 1 and 3 walkways.

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS

- Electrical Service Update –
   Per President Mills, will be completed August/September.
- Complex occupancy 3 offices left.
   Rent for all three offices and reception area is \$1,000.
- 3. Durand Shopping Center
  Trustee Haas, Owner of property has disregarded the request of the village. Motion made by
  Trustee Haas, village clerk 1. Work with our village attorney toward fixing the ordinance
  violations at the property and pursuing ANY other available remedies, including razing if it's
  within our authority. 2. Work with the sheriff's department to have citations issued, and with
  the highest forfeitures allowed by village ordinances or state statutes. 3. Inspect the property

herself for new or missed violations and work with the sheriff's department and village attorney toward fixing and citing for any additional violations found.

Trustee Voss 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, all in favor.

- 4. 3801 Maryland Avenue Update
  - Trustee Haas citations were issued, shortly after that cleaning was done by a private company, and not paid by the property owner. Trustee Haas would like to request we reduce the charges to Mr. Day to the cost of the Village attorney's fees. Court date for the citations is July 17, 2013. Attorney Geary stated that the citations should be reissued to go through municipal court rather than circuit court. Clerk/Treasurer to investigate whether citations were issued properly.
- Leif Peterson Flower beds/plantings
   Landscaping company has been doing a wonderful job with getting rid of weeds. Discussion about getting evergreens.

#### VII. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Jaeck, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Clouthier, all in favor.

Requests for persons with disabilities who need assistance to participate in this meeting or hearing should be made to the Village Clerk's Office at (262) 664-7828 with as much advance notice as possible.