Village of Gilberts 87 Galligan Road Gilberts, IL 60136 Village Board Meeting Minutes December 15, 2015

## Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

President Zirk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He proceeded to lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# Roll call/Establish Quorum

Village Clerk Meadows called the roll. Roll call: Members present: Trustees Kojzarek, Corbett, LeClercq, Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker and President Zirk. Others present: Administrator Keller, Assistant Administrator Beith, Finance Director Blocker and Clerk Meadows. For members of the audience please see the attached sign-in sheet.

### **Public Hearing**

# Tax Levy Ordinance for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017

President Zirk stated that he would entertain a motion to open the Tax Levy Public Hearing. <u>A Motion</u> was made by Trustee Corbett and seconded by Trustee LeClercq to open the Public Hearing for the Tax Levy Ordinance for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017. Roll call: Vote: 6 ayes: Trustees Kojzarek, Corbett, LeClercq, Zambetti, Farrell and Hacker. 0-nays, 0-abstained. Motion carried.

Administrator Keller noted that the relative information with respect to the Tax Levy was included in his overview memo. President Zirk asked if anyone in attendance had any questions on the levy. The audience offered no comments or presented any questions.

A Motion was made by Trustee LeClercq and seconded by Trustee Corbett to close the Public Hearing portion of the meeting at 7:01 p.m. Roll call: Vote: 6-ayes: Trustees Corbett, LeClercq, Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker and Kojzarek. 0-nays, 0-abstained. Motion carried.

### **Public Comment**

President Zirk asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board Members. There were no comments or questions provided by anyone in the audience.

### **Consent Agenda**

- A. A Motion to approve Minutes from the December 8, 2015 Special Village Board Meeting
- B. A Motion to approve Bills & Salaries dated December 15, 2015 as follows: General Fund \$61,862.33, Permit Pass Thrus \$455.00, Performance Bonds and Escrows \$47,219.44, Water Fund \$19,696.40 and Payroll \$56,488.96
- C. A Motion to approve Ordinance 30-2015, an Ordinance abating Taxes heretofore Levied to pay interest and principal \$27,250,000 Village of Gilberts, Kane County, Illinois Special Service Area Number Nine Special Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015 (Big Timber Project)
- D. A Motion to approve Ordinance 31-2015, an Ordinance abating Taxes heretofore Levied to pay interest and principal \$11,720,000 Village of Gilberts, Kane County, Illinois Special Service Area Number Fifteen Special Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2014 (Town Center Project)
- E. A Motion to approve Ordinance 32-2015, an Ordinance abating Taxes heretofore Levied to pay interest and principal \$9,750,000 Village of Gilberts, Kane County, Illinois Special Service Area Number Twenty-Four Special Tax Bonds Series 2014 (the Conservancy Project)
- F. A Motion to approve Ordinance 33-2015, an Ordinance abating the Taxes heretofore Levied for the Year 2015 to pay debt service on certain Bonds of the Village of Gilberts, Kane County Illinois
- G. A Motion to approve Resolution 47-2015, a Resolution approving a renewal proposal by Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services Inc. for property, liability, Workers Compensation and Risk Management Insurance Coverage
- H. A Motion to approve Resolution 48-2015, a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code

President Zirk asked the Board Members if there were any items they wished to remove from the consent agenda for separate consideration. The Board Members offered no comments. <u>A Motion was made by Trustee Zambetti and seconded by Trustee Farrell to approve the consent agenda items A-H as presented.</u> Roll call: Vote: 6-ayes: Trustees Corbett, LeClercq, Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker and Kojzarek. O-nays, O-abstained. Motion carried.

## Items for approval

A Motion to approve Ordinance 29-2015, an Ordinance Levying Taxes for Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017

Administrator Keller commented on a previous discussion that transpired during the December 8<sup>th</sup> Village Board meeting. The Board Members had discussed in the length the increase in the Police Pension contribution due to the updated actuarial assumptions.

He went on to discuss the fact that the Governor and the state legislature have been considering implementing a total property tax freeze for a two year period. In addition, the Governor and state legislature have been considering allowing local governments to increase tax levies to cover the growing cost of the pension obligations.

Administrator Keller noted that there is no guidance on whether a tax freeze will be adopted and if the police pension levies would be an uncapped exemption from the freeze if one was to be implemented or if a police pension exemption from the freeze would still be subject to the PTELL tax cap.

Administrator Keller reported rather than speculate on how a potential State property tax freeze might affect the Village's levy staff modified the draft ordinance to spread the projected 4.9% levy increase equally across the corporate, police protection and police pension line items. As the pension line does not cover the full amount of the required pension contribution, the Village would need to use other tax revenues to cover the difference.

President Zirk asked if any of the Board Members had any question on the Tax Levy Ordinance. The Board Members offered no questions or comments. A Motion was made by Trustee Zambetti and seconded by Trustee LeClercq to approve Ordinance 29-2015, an Ordinance Levying Taxes for Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017. Roll call: Vote: 6-ayes: Trustee LeClercq, Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker, Kojzarek and Corbett. 0-nays, 0-abstained. Motion carried.

# A Motion to approve Resolution 49-2015, a Resolution authorizing a professional service agreement with Current Technologies Corporation of IT Services

Administrator Keller discussed the proposed service agreement with Current Technologies. He noted that the proposal did include a modest increase of \$5.00 per hour. However, over the last two years the Village on average incurred 23 hours of billable services from Current Technologies. In addition, last time the Village went out to bid they only received two bid offers one from Current Technologies and the other from BWCSI.

President Zirk asked if the Board Members had any questions or comments with respect to Current Technologies proposal. The Board Members offered no comments. <u>A Motion was made by Trustee Corbett and seconded by Trustee LeClercq to approve Resolution 49-2015, a Resolution authorizing a professional service agreement with Current Technologies Corporation for IT services.</u> Roll call: Vote: 6-ayes: Trustees Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker, Kojzarek, Corbett and LeClercq. 0-nays, 0-abstained. Motion carried.

#### **Items for Discussion**

There were no items listed under "Items for Discussion".

### **Staff Reports**

Administrator Keller reported that the Village had received notice from the Village of West Dundee that they will be conducting a public hearing on Monday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. to consider a petition by the Opus Group to amend their existing annexation agreement to allow for a meat processing facility. Administrator Keller commented on the fact that he will be contacting the Village of West Dundee to gather additional information with respect to the petition.

Administrator Keller reported that the Staff's annual holiday party will be held this Friday beginning at noon.

Administrator Keller provided the Board Members with an update on the draft FY-2016 budget. He noted that the Police Department's share is 1/3 of the total budget.

President Zirk directed Staff to have Lauterbach and Amen (the Actuary for the Police Pension Board) justify their 4.75% return on investments assumption. There was some discussion on the financial burden the police pension obligation has placed on the Village. Administrator Keller reported that he had spoken with other local municipalities and they informed him that some of their Actuaries are also using the 7% return on investment assumption, and they are also using the 2000 Life Table.

Finance Director Blocker reported the Village has now received funds from the State.

### **Board of Trustee Reports**

Trustee Hacker complimented Staff on the new energy efficient entrance sign lights. Administrator Keller reported that in Spring Staff will be installing ground cover around the signs.

### **President's Report**

President Zirk suggested the Police Department may want to consider making the Police Station a transfer safe location. He explained that Transfer Safe Spots is a location which has video cameras and residents could use the location to complete internet sales transactions. Trustee Zambetti was not in favor of the idea.

### **Executive Session**

President Zirk asked if the Board Members or Staff had any reasons to enter into an executive session. The Board Members and Staff offered no comments.

# Adjournment

There being no further public business to discuss, <u>a Motion was made by Trustee Hacker and seconded</u> <u>by Trustee LeClercq to adjourn from the public meeting at 7:30 p.m.</u> Roll call: Vote: 6-ayes by unanimous voice vote. 0-nays, 0-abstain. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Debra Meadows** 

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7:00 p.m.

Sign-in-Sheet

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