

**Village of Winthrop Harbor
President and Board of Trustees
Regular Village Board Meeting
March 18, 2008**

- MINUTES -

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Clerk Lee called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Village Hall. Clerk Lee called the roll.

The following were present:

Trustees: Michael Bruno
 Virginia Lopez
 Ronald Molinaro
 Timothy Neargarder
 Richard Robards
 Eugene "Gene" Swindle

Also Present: Jana Lee, Village Clerk
 Timothy Borowski, Police Dept.
 Laura Ruckebel, Building Dept.
 Ron Levin, Deputy Fire Chief

Clerk Lee entertained a motion to select a Chairperson for the meeting.

1 - A motion was made by Trustee Molinaro and seconded by Trustee Bruno to appoint Trustee Robards as the Chairman of the meeting. Clerk Lee declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Robards led The Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None reported.

OLD BUSINESS

None reported

MAYOR'S REPORT

Angela and Ashley announced that there would be a Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday, April 2, 2008 from 7-8:30 p.m. to discuss Underage Drinking Prevention.

Beth Lambert of Zion Bible Church asked the Village Board to get involved with the "Jail House Against Hunger".

RESOLUTION 2008-R-6 A Resolution Congratulating the Zee-Bee Boys Basketball Team

2 - A motion was made by Trustee Neargarder and seconded by Trustee Lopez to approve Resolution 2008-R-6 as presented. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

ORDINANCE 2008-R-4 An Ordinance Enacting and Adopting a Supplement to the Code of Ordinances for the Village of Winthrop Harbor

3 - A motion was made by Trustee Swindle and seconded by Trustee Bruno to approve Ordinance 2008-R-4 as presented. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

RESOLUTION 2008-R-7; A Resolution Appointing Part-time Marina CSO's.

4 - A motion was made by Trustee Bruno and seconded by Trustee Lopez to approve Resolution 2008-R-7 as read. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Trustee Molinaro stated that he had concerns about hiring any new employees, due to the village's cash flow issue.

Ayes: (5) Bruno, Lopez, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (1) Molinaro
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

None reported.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2008-O-5 An Ordinance Formally Adopting the Zoning Map for the Village of Winthrop Harbor.

5 - A motion was made by Trustee Neargarder and seconded by Trustee Bruno to Set Aside the Rules of the President and Board of Trustees and Waive the First and Second Reading of Ordinance 2008-O-5 and approve as presented. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

6 - A motion was made by Trustee Neargarder and seconded by Bruno to approve proposed EDC Goals for 2008. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

7 - A motion was made by Trustee Swindle and seconded by Trustee Neargarder to approve Accounts Payable Warrant 2007-19 in the amount of \$79,032.92. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

8 - A motion was made by Trustee Swindle and seconded by Trustee Bruno to approve the Treasurer’s Report for February 2008. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

ORDINANCE 2008-O-6 An Ordinance Amending Sections of Chapter 110 of the Municipal Code of Winthrop Harbor (Liquor Code Revisions)

9 - A motion was made by Trustee Lopez and seconded by Trustee Neargarder to Set Aside the Rules of the President and Board of Trustees and Waive

the First and Second Reading of Ordinance 2008-O-6 and approve as presented. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

ORDINANCE 2008-O-7 An Ordinance Amending §30.19 of the Municipal Code of Winthrop Harbor (Disturbing Meetings)

10 - A motion was made by Trustee Lopez and seconded by Trustee Bruno to Set Aside the Rules of the President and Board of Trustees and Waive the First and Second Reading of Ordinance 2008-O-7 and approve as presented. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

RESOLUTION 2008-R-8 A Resolution Affirming Village Policy with Respect to Winter Pothole Operations.

11 - A motion was made by Trustee Swindle and seconded by Trustee Bruno to approve Resolution 2008-R-8 as presented. Chairman Robards declared the motion carried on the following roll call vote.

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mr. Dziura was upset due to the fact that he has to pay for a refuse service that he doesn't use. He stated that he was proud of the village board, except for this issue.

Mr. Tallman asked for help with the incline in his driveway. He felt that it is the worst one in the village.

Trustee Swindle noted that he would get together with Superintendent Hogan to see what could be done.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trustee Molinaro wished everyone a Happy Easter!

Trustee Lopez commended the Police Department for the work they have done all year long with regards to keeping their budget in line.

Trustee Lopez thanked Officer Michael Bitton for adding the SWALCO link to the Web site. She pointed out that there is great information for village residents on the SWALCO Web site.

Trustee Swindle stated that the budget packets would be handed out in a week or two. He also noted that Public Works has done the best job that they could do with regards to the potholes. He also mentioned that he had spoken to Joanne Osmond about the streets and she is supposed to have IDOT come and take a look at the situation. Trustee Swindle was also given a telephone number where residents could call to file a claim with the State. He went on to say that if anyone wanted the telephone number to please call Village Hall.

Trustee Bruno announced the following:

- a. March 22, 2008 - Lunch with Easter Bunny
- b. March 28, 2008 - Social Night for grades 3 & 4 / 7-9pm

Attorney Long noted that in the body of the letter, that went out to the resident explaining that Groot had taken over Jensen, there was an indication that there was a problem with the local Post Office delivery. He noted that the Post Office did everything possible; that there was in error in posting. He apologized to the Post Office on the village's behalf.

Trustee Robards congratulated the Zee Bee Boys basketball team for a great year.

ADJOURNMENT

12 - A motion was made by Trustee Neargarder and seconded by Trustee Molinaro to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Robards declared the meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: (6) Bruno, Lopez, Molinaro, Neargarder, Robards, Swindle
Nays: (0)
Absent: (0)
Passed: (0)

APPROVED:

JOE LEECH, JR., MAYOR

ATTEST:

JANA J. LEE, VILLAGE CLERK

Note: This is not a verbatim record.