**VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS**

**01-07-2019; 01-14-19; 01-28-2019; 02-04-2019**

**01-07-19 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

**Mayor Ryan presented a Humanitarian Award to Alsip Fire Lieutenant Rick Kraus for his deployment to the Hurricane ravaged areas of North Carolina.**

**Approval was given for VFW Post 450 located at 11800 South Cicero Avenue to have a year long raffle from January 8, 2019 through January 7, 2020.**

**Approval was given to hire Darrell Rita as the Building Inspector. The rate of pay will be $10.50 per plan review and $18.00 per inspection with no benefits offered by the Village.**

**An Ordinance was approved granting a variation for an oversized garage on the property located at 11911 South Avers Avenue, Alsip.**

**01-14-19 VILLAGE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**There is a request to promote one firefighter to Fire Lieutenant status to fill in for an injured Lieutenant and to coincide with the retirement of a Lieutenant.**

**Trustee McGreal reported that there are two police officer recruits in the Police Academy and two recruits that are ready to graduate.**

**There is a request to go out for bid for Parkway Tree pruning. There are approximately 731 trees to be pruned.**

**01-28-19 COMBINED VILLAGE BOARD MEETING & VILLAGE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Mayor Ryan introduced newly elected Cook County Commissioner, Donna Miller. She represents the Village of Alsip and the 6th District of Cook County. She will be overseeing 36 municipalities throughout the South and Southwest Suburbs. Since taking office last month, she has already passed a Resolution for all County employees to be certified in CPR and AED. She will also be focusing on meeting with the Highway Department and municipalities to discuss the roads and some Economic Development. Her District Office is in Oak Forest.**

**Approval was given to promote Firefighter/Paramedic Chad Freitag to the rank of Lieutenant. He has been with the Alsip Fire Department for 12 years and is a member of the Combined Agency Response Team. He was given the Oath of Office by the Alsip Police and Fire Commission.**

**There is a request to replace the 20-year-old rear doors at both Fire Stations. The Fire Chief stated that most overhead doors have a life span of approximately 10 years. He is in the process of getting three quotes for the doors and replacing the motors so that when the time comes to go out to bid, he will have a rough idea of what to put in the upcoming budget.**

**Approval was given to replace three Patient Care Report computers for the ambulances totaling $8,100, one Sensit Gas Meter Calibration Station totaling $5,075 and two weight stations totaling $5,500 for a total of $18,675. These items were approved for purchase by the Foreign Fire Tax Insurance Fund.**

**Approval was given to terminate the Keltron Monitoring Agreement with Cross Point Sales, Inc. by providing a 30-day notice. Mayor Ryan stated that they found out that Cross Point Sales has been soliciting the Village’s current subscribers with a cost that is 40% lower that the Village of Alsip. The Mayor wants it to be clear that the Village’s service includes direct connect monitoring and Cross Point does not include that. The Mayor wants business owners to be award of what they are signing a 7-year contract for. After cleaning up the language of the contract, it will be brought before the Village Board again. The Village Attorney is working on it. The Alsip Fire Chief commented that there on some misleading statements made in a letter Cross Point Sales is sending out to the subscribers. The Mayor stated that all the changes that the Village is making are in the best interest of the businesses and Alsip taxpayers. Some businesses that still owe balances from the service provided are trying to disconnect the Village Keltron boxes and put in new ones without paying their balances. The Mayor, Police Department, Fire Department and Building Department are all working together to make sure this does not happen.**

**Two new police officers, Janet Howell and Bill Delany, have graduated from the Chicago Police Department Metro Police Academy.**

**Approval was given to go out for bid for Parkway Tree Pruning.**

**The Sewer & Water Department was given approval to begin the IEPA loan application process. The Water Commissioner stated that he provided areas in town that the Village is looking to do: The areas at Komensky through Keeler by 119th to 120th Streets. The Village is looking for a 2-million-dollar loan and if the Village is eligible, the IEPA is offering up to 75% of the loan in loan principal forgiveness this year. This would then end up essentially being a 1.5-million-dollar grant for the Village, if eligible.**

**There is a proposed Ordinance amending Chapter 4, Alcoholic Beverages and Liquor Control to provide for a liquor license classification for certain Non-Profit Organizations and regulation pertaining thereto. The Village Attorney stated that this proposed Ordinance is in reference to an incident that occurred at the Sprinkler Fitters Local 281 Hall where they provided beer to the Union members. This revision would make sure that they would have a license available to them for such functions. They would be charged an annual fee to be able to provide alcoholic refreshments to their members. If they have a benefit or something of that nature, they would still have to come in for a Temporary 1-Day Liquor License.**

**The Mayor stated that the Village will be getting competitive quotes on Workmen’s Comp and Liability Insurance. In order to comply with the 90-day notice to the IL Department Risk Fund, he will be sending them notification that the Village will be seeking other quotes.**

**02-04-19 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

**Mayor Ryan stated that there were numerous water lines breaks with the cold weather. The Strip Mall at 127th & Pulaski had to be shut down because of broken sprinkler lines. He is proposing an Ordinance concerning vacant properties.**

**Mayor Ryan also reported that there is a need to regulate LED signs.**

**Mayor Ryan also stated that he has received complaints about truck fumes at a facility in Alsip and has asked the IEPA to investigate so a solution can be reached.**