

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MEDINA HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN OF SHELBY TOWN HALL.

Present: Mayor Andrew Meier

Trustees Mark Kruzynski, David Barhite, Susan Squires, Mark Irwin

Attorney Matthew Brooks

Police Chief Jose' Avila, Fire Chief Todd Zinkievich, Code Officer Doug Rue

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on Local Law #1 for 2012 – Chapter 236 – Vehicles and Traffic, Section 236-48, "Schedule X: Parking Prohibited at All Times."

Residents Burton and Barbara Howell from 2 Brown Avenue expressed their approval for this local law. They cited difficulties in driving on Brown Avenue with residents and visitors from the nearby senior housing complex parking along this road.

No other interested person appeared to speak and the Mayor declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:09 p.m.

A motion was made by Trustee Kruzynski and seconded by Trustee Barhite. The minutes of January 9, 2012 are approved with the addition of the following: "The Village Board will tour the Village Hall on January 23 at 6:00 p.m."

All ayes
Motion carried.

The Mayor read correspondence from the Medina Railroad Museum regarding the annual "Day Out with Thomas" event. This event is scheduled for May 11-13 and 18-20. The letter requested the usual assistance with security, traffic control, road blockings and barricades, and a paramedic on site. The Fire Chief noted that staffing a paramedic for this event generates approximately \$1,000 in overtime costs. The Board will discuss the matter further before responding.

The Mayor read a thank-you note from Code Enforcement Officer Martin Busch for a card he received while he is out sick.

Mayor Meier reported that he had received a request from Orleans Community Health to use Rotary Park for the month of March to promote their "Go Blue" campaign. They would like to hang banners and other decorations.

A motion was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Kruzynski. Orleans Community Health is authorized to hang banners and other decorations in Rotary Park during the month of March to promote their "Go Blue" campaign.

All ayes
Motion carried.

The Mayor read a letter from Raymond J. Morgan, Captain in the Medina Fire Department. Captain Morgan has notified the Board of his resignation and retirement from the department effective January 29, 2012. The Mayor noted that Morgan will be attending the next Village board meeting where he will be presented with a token of appreciation for his years of service.

Sergeant Todd Draper, of the Medina Police Department, was recognized to present his request for the addition of a canine unit to the department. He informed the Board that he has already been training weekly, on

his own time, with a dog from Upstate Canine. He said that these dogs are trained to locate missing children and sniff out drugs. The dogs are born and bred for this training and are imported from Europe. The start-up cost for a canine program could run from \$10-15,000, including purchase of the dog for \$5,500. He reported that provisions for compensation for him as the handler was contained in the Garcia Act. He added that in other municipalities these costs, along with yearly training and maintenance, have been donated by area businesses and other supporters of the program. He noted that he had already received support from local businesses. The Mayor offered that possibly the school would be interested in a partnership in the program. Trustee Squires questioned whether or not a specially equipped vehicle would be required. Chief Avila said that the oldest sedan in their fleet could be retrofitted for this purpose. Mayor Meier asked Sgt. Draper to obtain pledges from local businesses as well as obtain more specific costs. The matter was tabled to a future meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Barhite.

Local Law 1- 2012 Chapter 236 – Vehicles & Traffic, Section 236-48, "Schedule X: Parking Prohibited at All Times."

The Village Code of the Village of Medina is hereby amended as follows: Chapter 236-48 is hereby amended by adding the following parking prohibited at all times:

Name of Street: Brown Avenue

Side of Street: Both

Location: From Maple Ridge Road to the termination of Brown Avenue.

All ayes

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Squires and seconded by Trustee Kruzynski. All bills to be paid must be placed on the spindle no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the Monday Village Board meeting; and all departmental action items to be considered shall be submitted to the Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the Monday Village Board meeting.

All ayes

Motion carried.

Mayor Meier proposed a resolution authorizing him to submit an application to the LGEGP for a \$50,000 grant to prepare a Dissolution Plan for the Village of Medina. He explained that the deadline for the next round of funding was February 1. Trustee Squires responded that, to her recollection, the three municipalities were to have a joint meeting to discuss the next step. After much debate, the Mayor related that it was his understanding that the two town boards were "happy with things the way they are" and had not shown interest in furthering the discussion. Trustee Squires added that she was not against consolidation, but wanted the towns and Village to work together and would like to hear their opinions first hand. Trustee Barhite suggested that the matter be tabled until the three municipalities could discuss the issue, possibly at the legislators and supervisors meeting the next evening.

The Mayor reported that Greg Stanton of Stanton Signs had volunteered his time and material to put up a sign acknowledging veterans in Rotary Park. Trustee Barhite questioned whether or not this sign would include retired or active veterans. Not having further information, the matter was tabled.

Police Chief Avila thanked the Board for allowing Sgt. Draper to give his presentation on the canine unit. He also distributed his yearly report of statistics. He noted that the plan to have the DPW perform all police vehicle repairs was running smoothly.

Fire Chief Zinkievich added his support for Sgt. Draper's presentation. He requested approval to hire three additional callmen. The matter was referred to executive session. He also reported that the Assistance to Firefighters grant for vehicle acquisition had again been denied.

Code Officer Rue reported that Tractor Supply would be set to have inventory on their floors on February 20 and that the project was moving along with the plumbing having been approved and a loading dock in construction. On the matter regarding 201 Park Avenue, he offered that there were no restrictions and no proof of any violations.

Attorney Brooks requested an executive session to discuss pending litigation.

The Mayor recognized David Miller, who introduced himself as representing the "Time for Medina" vintage clock committee. He informed the Board that this venture was a joint effort between the Orleans Renaissance Group, the Medina Class of 1966 and the Medina Business Association. A down payment has been sent in to begin the manufacturing of the clock thanks to generous local support over the last eight months. Further plans include a sandstone and brick base for the clock designed with the help of local architect, Brian Hungerford, and a memorial brick walkway surrounding the clock. They hope to dedicate the clock in Rotary Park on Memorial Day.

A motion was made by Trustee Kruzynski and seconded by Trustee Barhite. The bills as presented are to be paid.

All ayes
Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Barhite and seconded by Trustee Irwin. The meeting is adjourned into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and the employment history of certain individuals, at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Padoleski
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Meeting came into open session at 8:55.

On recommendation of Chief Zinkievich, motion was made by Trustee Squires, Seconded by Trustee Kruzynski, that the following callmen be appointed, effective immediately:

Nicholas Wallace
Timothy Miller
Robert Shaw

All Aye.

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Irwin, seconded by Trustee Barhite. All Aye. Meeting adjourned at 9pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrew Meier