Village Of Kincaid

115 Central Ave. Kincaid IL. 62540

Time- 6:00 p.m.

December 23, 2024

Committee Meeting Minutes

The meeting was brought to order by Mayor Robert Morris. Roll call was taken by the Village clerk.

Roll Call- Lawrence- Absent, Paso- Here via phone, Gibson- Here, Warren- Here, Dees- Here, Nelson- Here

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all who attended the meeting.

Committee Meeting-

Ordinance book review- Trustee Warren said hopefully everyone had an opportunity to look through the ordinance book that was passed out last week. We need to get ahold of Frank and schedule him a time to come down, anybody that has gone through it and has found something that they feel needs to be changed or whatever just make a note of it and when Frank comes down and we sit down and go through it with him then we can do all of that at one time. That is going to be a special meeting because he said it was going to take about three hours to go through the book. One thing that I am going to call him about and I’ll get with Jayme and we will call him; is in January there is about twelve or fifteen new laws coming in affect in January and about nine of them will affect the city. We need to make sure with him that with this update all of the new stuff is going in there too. Basically, as long as everybody went through it and has a better idea of what is in it and if you want to make some changes to it, we will have to do it when Frank comes down. We just have to get him scheduled because this needs to be done prior to the end of the first quarter for 2025. We need to get it in at the first of the year. Mayor Morris said we could schedule it for the first meeting in January. Warren reminded Morris that this will have to be a special meeting because it is going to take three hours to go through this, that is what Frank said unless you want to be here until 9 at night. Warren said once he and Jayme get ahold of Frank and get is scheduled, he will get back with the Mayor and get it scheduled and get the book finalized and get it to where everyone will have it.

Discuss committee report for 2025 action plan- Trustee Nelson said he met with Jayme, and he meant to ask her and didn’t but wanted to know if she had the most updated version of Excel, in which she responded yes. Nelson said, basically meeting with Jayme, trying to find out what the board could do to help her and support her. She only requested two things. One will be relatively easy, she asked if she could at some point in time before the season starts is; Gary if she could meet with you since you have all of the campground knowledge, she would like to know which lots have sewer and which have electric and she would like to have a better understanding of that when anybody calls, that way we can start pushing the marketing again on the spots out there. She can benefit from that and asked if Gary could help with that, he replied yes it was not a problem. Nelson said and also too, and Beverly she did ask and I kind of think it might be something that we could look on more down the road but that if for any reason she needed to do anything because you are absent for whatever reason and I hope nothing like that would ever but we have to kind of take care of ourselves, but that she wouldn’t be able to fill your position and pay bills and those sort of things. Beverly responded she can pay bills; we have been working on it. He asked Jayme if there was anything else she kind of needed help with, she said no.

VISITORS: A PERSON SHALL BE PERMITTED AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS OFFICIALS UNDER THE RULES ESTABLISHED BY THE VILLAGE OF KINCAID (3 MINUTES PER PERSON) 5ILCS 120.2.06g

Ryan Barton said he didn’t totally understand the building permit thing. It’s twenty-five dollars per one hundred square feet, you go to Edinburg it is eight dollars and fifty cents for the same size of the building I am bringing in. Two, why does Chocolate get to keep all of the money from the building permits? Mayor Morris said there isn’t an ordinance on it, Warren replied yes there is. Nelson said he thinks that he wants to make clear on this, this is something that Frank is going to help us with and he would be more than happy if he knew more about that stuff to help him, but during the committee meeting and during the comment section we are not allowed to talk about that, it is a comment section so we should be able to talk about and discuss this and come back. Barton said the reason he brought this up is because whenever he called me on the phone, he is bragging about taking trips on my money and other people’s money. I don’t care what he does in his personal life, but don’t be bragging about it. The other thing he had to say was that by Illinois statute, a mayor, a president, and alderperson, trustee, clerk, and treasurer shall not hold any other offices under the municipal government during the term of absence of the office or except otherwise under the sections 3.1 10-50 unless you’re going to be a volunteer fireman or receive compensation for their services. Why is he on the board and have the zoning permit job? Warren said again, there is an answer to that, but we can’t discuss it tonight. Morris said we will get the answer for you. A discussion between Barton and another gentleman took place.

Clare Duran said she just wanted it to be clear, at the last meeting Chocolate and you (Morris), and Mark said that there was somebody contracted to take down that house on Springfield St., but you just couldn’t do it because they just don’t have time to do it right now. How much was the bid that they put in for it, because I know that you guys have a cap on eight thousand dollars and that is with everything. Morris said it was like eighty-five hundred for the whole thing. Clare asked if there were any bids put out for it and if they were the only ones? Morris said he thinks that under ten thousand dollars you don’t have to get bids. That’s what he was told by Mike Lawrence because he is the zoning guy. Gary Daum asked why we couldn’t take it down ourselves, you guys have all of the equipment. You buy all this equipment, why not use it. Morris said he said that but. Nelson said again we aren’t allowed to talk about this. Morris said yes, we are because they asked the question. Clare said nothing was being voted on, she just asked a question and wanted an answer.

Anthony Pezze asked if our lawyers license is still suspended. Morris replied, yes, he is. Pezze asked then why he is still over here. Morris said he hadn’t made any decisions yet. Pezze asked if he was getting paid, he asked Beverly. Beverly said she won’t receive a bill until January for the December months so then she will be able to answer that question if she receives a bill.

Rabideau said she had talked to Morris last Friday about a domestic disturbance she had in her home, and she told him DJ hadn’t responded, she asked if he told DJ she needed to talk to him. Morris said yes, he did. She said Mathon talked her this evening, the first time she has seen him. When she tried to talk to DJ the other day he told her, we aren’t going to do this, he slammed the door on her and she hadn’t heard anything else from him yet. She wanted to know how she got the freedom of information act on the body cam when he was at her house. Mathon said all you do is send a FOIA request, send it to him or the Village clerk and they will get it to her. She stated that Christian County was there also, and they said that she has to go on a website to get that information, she wasn’t sure what the procedure was for Kincaid. She asked if she just puts it in writing that she wants the information. She said Mathon didn’t take pictures or anything on that day and said it was a civil thing now. DJ told her the case is now with John McWard and that is all he is going to say. The entire report has been sent to the prosecutors office and it is an ongoing investigation, if she wants anything further from him, she is going to have to go to John McWards office. She asked why he couldn’t get ahold of her last week, he said he explained this earlier he doesn’t have a single missed call from her, they keep logs every time a call comes through. She asked DJ if the mayor told him she needed to talk to him, he said yes and you came up to the office. He spoke to her then and she said he slammed the door in her face. DJ told her he was in a zoom meeting, and she would have to come back, he wasn’t going to go back and forth with her. She said she is just trying to figure out what is going on. DJ again told her that her case has been forwarded to the prosecutors office and he makes the decision on if charges get filed. She said usually when there is a domestic dispute don’t you get a packet or something> Morris said no, and what you’re going to have to do is get ahold of the prosecutor – the States Attorney. She asked again how to get a FOIA, she thought it was like ninety days. Morris said with a FOIA request you can request it whenever you want. DJ again said he isn’t going to sit and argue with her, submit the FOIA request and we will give you that information. He is done with this, and it isn’t up for discussion. She said she wasn’t trying to do that. Her other question is she has an order of protection, and she keeps getting messages and phone calls from him, who does she report that to? DJ said to report it to him as soon as the meeting is over, we can handle it. She said she feels threatened, her door is broken, and he can come at any time, and she is a scared woman who has been abused, who does she get ahold of? She is scared. DJ said Ok, she said if we can’t count on the officers here in town that we pay for… DJ asked if she called 911 when she felt threatened, she said yes, and they told her to get ahold of him. She asked Mayor Morris if she could file a complaint on DJ with him? He said yes.

John Durbin said he has a question about the shipping container on the other side of town, what was the date .. wasn’t it the first of the year when they are supposed to have that out. Morris replied Yes, at the first of the year, he knows they moved the camper, and they are supposed to have the shipping container gone by the first of the year, but we are keeping an eye on it.

Charles Watson said he just wanted to let the board know that he had come into an agreement with 626 Glen St., he signed papers on it and he officially owns it. It will be cleaned up; he knows that the village has litigation with the previous people for that property but it is going to take some time to get the property cleaned up because its pretty bad but it will be like it is until the weather is better. He owns the property next door so he either had to buy it or look at it. He just wanted some time to get it cleaned up.

Adjournment

Trustee Nelson made a motion to adjourn, it was seconded by Dees. All ayes. The time was 6:18 P.M.