

VILLAGE OF DOLTON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 18, 2011

CALL TO ORDER Honorable Mayor Ronnie Lewis called the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order in the Harper Municipal Building Board Room at 7:33 p.m.

PRAYER Led by Trustee Lowe

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by Trustee Harris

ROLL CALL Roll Call indicated the following Trustees were present: Trustees Deborah Green, Willie Lowe, Denise Harris, James T. Jefferson, Garry Lambert, Engineer Ron Smith, Attorney Evangeline Levison, the Honorable Mayor Ronnie Lewis, I'm Judith Evans, a quorum is present.

Trustee Eva Nicholson was absent.

REPORTS:
VILLAGE CLERK Village Clerk Judith J. Evans ask the Board for a motion to approve JOURNAL the minutes from April 4, 2011.

Motion by Trustee Lambert to approve the Minutes of April 4, 2011, second by Trustee Jefferson.

Roll Call:
AYES: 5 Trustees Green, Lowe, Harris, Jefferson and Lambert
NAYS:
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Nicholson
Motion Pass.

COMMUNICATIONS None

TRUSTEE REPORTS
TRUSTEE GREEN Also for Judiciary today I have 2 resolutions and an executive order and I would turn that over to the Attorney to explain.

RESOLUTION RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF DOLTON AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN 2011-R-995 AGREEMENT WITH LUMINA, INC. FOR THE 2011 JULY 4TH FIREWORKS DISPLAY

This contract is for only one year and it is reduced at a great sum as opposed to last year.

Motion by Trustee Green to adopt Resolution 2011-R-995, second by Trustee Lambert.

Roll Call:
AYES: 5 Trustees Green, Lowe, Harris, Jefferson, and Lambert
NAYS:
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Nicholson
Motion Pass.

RESOLUTION RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF DOLTON APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN

2011-R-996

MEDIATION FOR SETTLEMENT AND TO SETTLE LITIGATION IN THE MATTER OF JEREMY COLE, J SCOTT FRENCH, DANIEL MICHALEK, CHRISTOPHER FLOREK, OSCAR GARIBALDI AND KEN HAMILL VS VILLAGE OF DOLTON AND THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION

This is a matter that has been pending for some time before 2007 for the Department of Human Rights and the parties have agreed to go into mediation to try and resolve the claim.

Motion by Trustee Green to adopt Resolution 2011-R-996, second by Trustee Jefferson.

Roll Call:

AYES: 5 Trustees Green, Lowe, Harris, Jefferson, and Lambert

NAYS:

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Nicholson

Motion Pass.

EXECUTIVE ORDER EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF VILLAGE OF DOLTON
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10-002 APPOINTING C. CARTER ACTING VILLAGE OF DOLTON
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

This is just notice to the Village that a new part time electrical inspector has been hired by the name of Carnell Carter. It does not need a vote it just needs to be so ordered and attested by the Village Clerk.

Mayor Lewis, so ordered.

TRUSTEE LOWE I would just like to say congratulations to the new elected Trustees. I also just want to say to the Village that I enjoyed my 12 years here with you all - and bless me on - as I look on the Village and I will still be coming around (applause).

TRUSTEE HARRIS DORCHESTER - the residents are 71, applications is 3, May 7th the ladies of the Dorchester and their guest will be treated to an afternoon Tea, in honor of Mother's Day, this is an annual event that has been in effect for over 20 years.

TRUSTEE JEFFERSON FINANCE - we have corporate bills in the amount of \$1,028,280.68 at this time I make a motion that we pay these bills in that amount, second by Trustee Lambert.

Roll Call:

AYES: 5 Trustees Green, Lowe, Harris, Jefferson, and Lambert

NAYS:

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Nicholson

Motion Pass.

Dorchester - also this evening we have Dorchester payments in the amount of \$89,952.69, at this time I make a motion that we pay the bills in that amount, second by Trustee Lambert.

Roll Call:

AYES: 5 Trustees Green, Lowe, Harris, Jefferson, and Lambert

NAYS:

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Nicholson

Motion Pass.

PUBLIC WORKS - Supt. Paul Campbell - from the period of 4-4 to 4-18 of 2011 there were over 540 service calls. Basically this time of the year we are filling a lot of potholes, and we have started the brown bag pickups. We encourage people to use those and to only put them out on your garbage pickup days please.

TRUSTEE LAMBERT

POLICE - Chief Bolden Jones, Jr. - the Dolton police received and responded to 738 complaints and requests for service during the period of April 4, 2011 to April 17, 2011.

FIRE - Chief Jerry McCullough - the Dolton Fire Dept. received and responded to 102 fire and EMS calls from the period of April 4, 2011 to April 18, 2011. Total fire and EMS response year to date is 1,000.

Letter of Commendations - On April 2nd 2011 at 5:05 a.m. a structure fire occurred at 144th Cottage Grove and upon the arrival of the fire department heavy flames were seen from the north end of the building with heavy smoke throughout all units of the apartment complex. With the help of the police department we were able to rescue 10 to 12 residents and evacuate 22 residents from the complex. All the residents were okay except one who jumped out of a second story window and was transported to the hospital. I would like to recognize these firefighters for their work and rescue efforts: Lieutenant Frank Krzus, Engineers Michael Moreno and Howard Fisher, Firefighters Jeremy Cole, Christopher Ill, and Anton Downing. All of the residents were accounted for and this shows a spirit of commitment and team work between the police and fire personnel towards the community (applause fire personnel present were acknowledged).

Chief Jerry McCullough, unfortunately all of the officers are not here tonight, I just want to say as Fire Chief these guys did a great job along with the police department as we could not have done it without them. They really stepped up in the rescues and - that was the first thing we had to go to was the rescues and get everybody out. We were able to get the fire out with assistance from the other towns and again I commend these guys. You guys did a great job without you we couldn't do it thank you very much (applause).

ENGINEER

ENGINEER - Ron Smith - we have a sewer project that will be out for bid in the next 30 days. It will be for cleaning, televising, and point repairs for the area west of the Westside of the Village. This is for - out of Cook County Block Grant Funds. Second, film photography has been completed for the Woodlawn, Dorchester and Ellis roadways. We will program the designs and forward the request to the South Suburban Mayors and Managers for funding.

Thank you Mr. Smith and do that as expeditiously as possible on those streets now Dorchester, Woodlawn and Ellis.

Engineer Smith yes Sir and I even works weekends (laughter).

MAYORS REPORT

FIRE COMMENDATIONS - I would just like to say thank you to those firemen we recognized the policemen at the last meeting. The Fire Chief was not here to submit the names of those firefighters who were on the scene. So it wasn't something that we overlooked we just knew that it would come later down the line and the Chief made a correction and got it done at this board meeting. So again gentleman I commend you as well as the

police department and all of the people who were involved in the structural fire at 144th Cottage Grove.

WEBSITE UPDATE - Hopefully we will be seeing some results shortly on our website. I employed a young lady part-time to get that up and running as well as do some other things that we need around here; so that people will understand what's going on. We are not trying to hide anything - you talk about transparency here. I can be as transparent as you want - anything that you want to know if I can tell I will tell you, I am not trying to hide anything. Matter of fact some of the things you probably need to know that you don't know and that is why I am putting this person in place - because we have worked diligently trying to solve some of the problems of this village. And in many instances I met a lot of resistance. Well some people have told me - just fire those people - it is not that simple. When you just fire those people you open the village up to lawsuits, and everybody seems to think that they can sue us. We have one that is suing us now - who happens to be African American - suing us on a discrimination charge, said we fired him because he was black. And that wasn't the case; he didn't do what he was suppose to do or what the commitment was for him to do. So we are working as diligently as possible and hopefully you will be seeing some of those results and we will tell you about the others now that I have somebody who can put the message out there to you. So be looking forward to that and I want you to know that we are working on your behalf at all times.

OLD BUSINESS

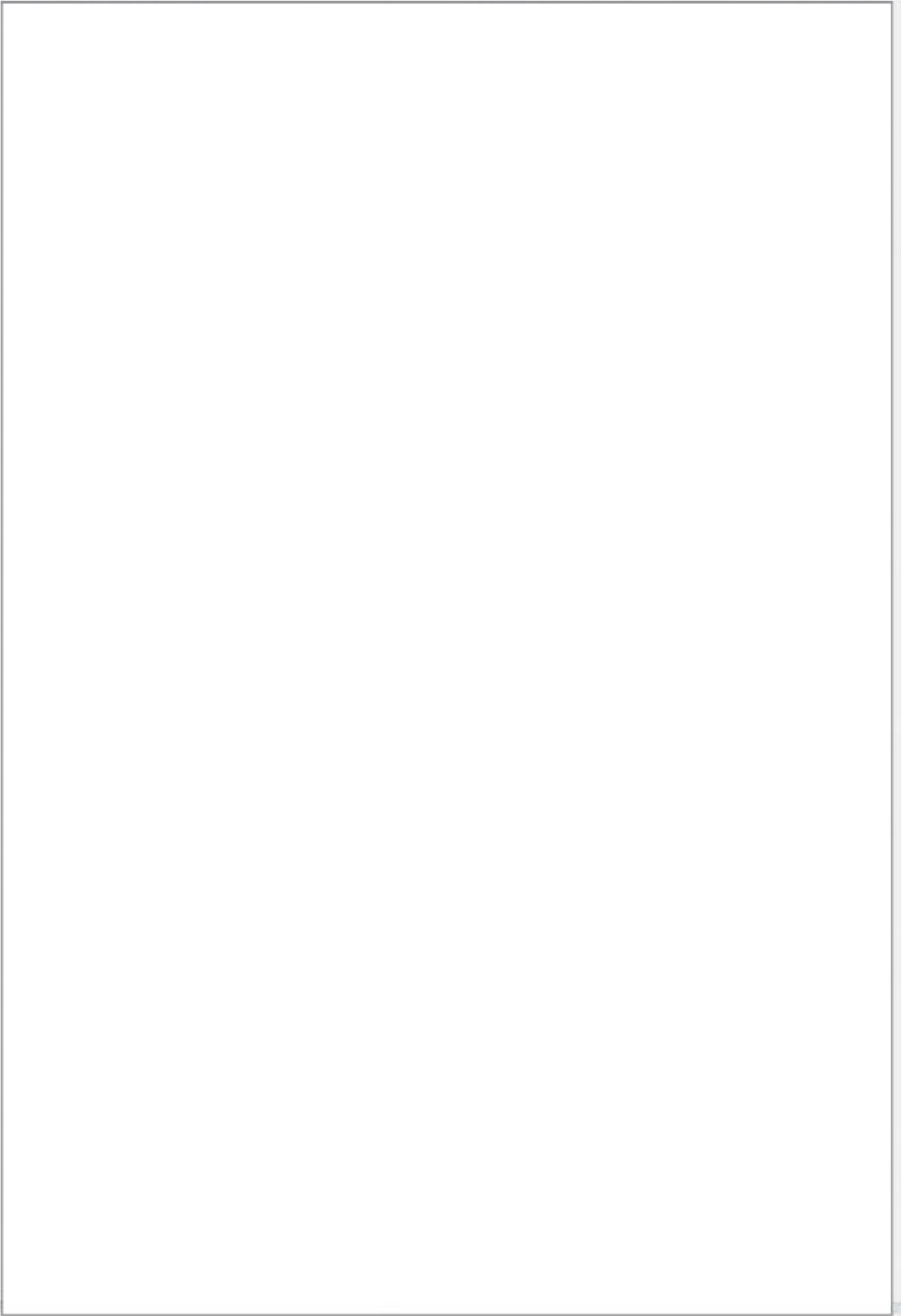
Trustee Lambert - I would like to take this time Mr. Mayor to thank you for putting up with me for 12 years and all the other Trustees and all the people of Dolton. I have really enjoyed my 12 years stay here. We really had a ball and I hope that everyone coming in here finds the same thing. You got to love your town in order to be successful in it and I just hope that you go along with - Thank you (applause).

NEW BUSINESS

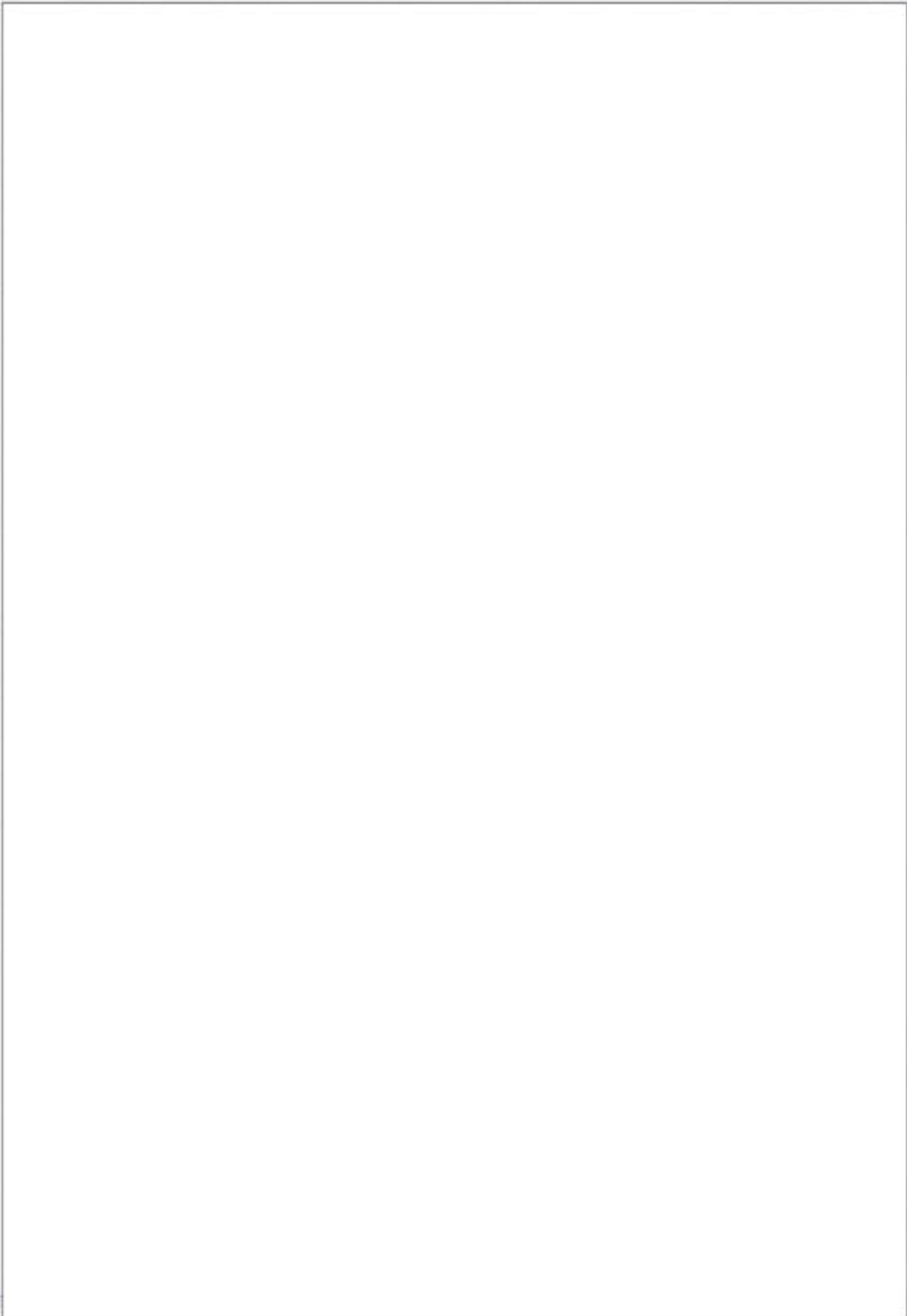
NONE

O K citizens address is next and we have 30 minutes, anyone wishing to address the board, be recognized and give your name and address.

CITIZENS ADDRESS







Motion by Trustee Lambert to adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:13 p.m., second by Trustee Jefferson.

All concerns, comments, questions, and issues were addressed by the Chair Mayor Lewis; additional comments may/or were supplied by various department heads, trustees and/or Attorney.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, on a motion by Trustee Lambert to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 8:13 p.m., second by Trustee Jefferson.

Mayor Lewis asked for a voice vote roll call, a vote of 5 ayes heard to adjourn the meeting.

Approved by me this _____
Day of _____
A.D. 2011.

RONNIE C. LEWIS. PRESIDENT/MAYOR

JUDITH J. EVANS, VILLAGE CLERK
Prpd. By JJE
Tape (18 SB)

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Spring is upon us so it is now to time to address your lawn care needs.