

ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES 3131 Taylor Avenue, Bldg. 3, Racine, WI 53405 February 17, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

All agenda items shall follow protocol including staff overview, Board discussion, questions by public, Board disposition of item. The public must be recognized by the President.

President Steiner calls the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. Roll call: Pete Clouthier, Brad Jaeck, Haas, Steiner, Cindy Towery, Al Bagg, Jeff Klimek, and Clerk-Treasurer Tammy Ruggaber are all present

President Steiner leads the Board in a prayer and then the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Steiner speaks regarding procedures and rules for board meetings. The purpose of the meetings is to conduct business not airing public grievances. That is for a public hearing. Questions will be recorded and answered at the following meeting. He will not allow conversation or public debate during the meeting except during the public comment period. The questions directed to the board will be recorded and answered at the following regular meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND INPUT

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.84(2) "the public notice of a meeting of the governmental body may provide for a period of public comment, during which the body may **receive** information from members of the public." Correspondence shall be read into record at this time.

Marcia Russell states that it is important to have agendas available for the public.

President Steiner moves to go into closed session, pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(e),(f) and (g) Wis. Stat., to discuss and confer with Legal Counsel and Accounting Professionals for the Village regarding the following:

- 1 .Professional Services Agreement with Michael G. Kessler & Associates Ltd. to conduct a forensic audit (Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) and (f)); and
- 2. Correspondence received by the Village from a prior employee (Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(f) and (g))

Trustee Bagg seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Trustee Haas makes a motion to go back into open session. Trustee Klimek seconds the motion. There is a roll call vote and the motion passes unanimously.

The board reconvenes in open session and there is a roll call. Pete Clouthier, Brad Jaeck, Haas, Steiner, Cindy Towery, Al Bagg, Klimek.

President Steiner states, As a result of our meeting tonight, I move that we now repeal our act relative to the Board's approval to contract with Kessler International to conduct an investigative audit, phase one, for \$5,000. Trustee Cindy Towery seconds the motion. Trustee Towery states that the reason we decided this is because our regular auditor, Gordon J Meyer, can do a complete internal audit. There is a roll call vote and the motion passes unanimously.

Trustee Clouthier moves that we adjourn. It is seconded by Trustee Klimek. The motion passes unanimously and the meeting is adjourned at 8:25 pm.