



VILLAGE OF
SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at the Village Hall, 3317 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights, Illinois. Mayor Terry Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:26 p.m. Mayor Matthews requested the Village Clerk, Catherine Linan, to call the roll. The following were present:

Terry Matthews	Mayor	Rose Ann Diederich	Trustee
Catherine Linan	Village Clerk	Chad Vlietstra	Fire Chief
Maryclare Touhy	Attorney	John Dolasinski	Treasurer
John Ross	Trustee	William Joyce	Police Chief
Sally Marrufo	Trustee	Mark Martin	Public Works Director
Eric Stanton	Trustee	Nora Gomez	Administrator
Tracy Bosco	Trustee	Nick Goncher	Bldg. Director

Trustee Terry Fiorenzo and Deputy Chief Robert Byrnes were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

DISCUSSION – STEGER-SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY REQUEST FOR TIF FUNDS: Mayor Matthews read a letter that was received from the Steger-South Chicago Heights library requesting TIF funds to help offset the cost of their remodeling and the parking lot repairs. Discussion ensued amongst the board regarding helping our library.

DISCUSSION – CANNABIS DISPENSARIES: Mayor Matthews explained that the people that are currently putting up the cannabis grow facility inquired about using the lot next to them to build a dispensary. Discussion ensued amongst the board regarding a dispensary, the location, revenue income for South Chicago Heights and lifting the moratorium on dispensaries. Trustee Marrufo was concerned with an increase in crime and traffic flow and asked if it is known the amount of revenues this could generate. Chief Joyce stated that he has spoken with the Homewood Police Chief regarding their dispensary and that no know trouble or problems have been reported in their town.

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further to discuss, Trustee Stanton motioned to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting, seconded by Trustee Bosco. On a voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Catherine Linan, Village Clerk

Dated