#### Minutes from the Thursday March 2, 2017

# **Broadway Redevelopment Meeting**

*In attendance*: Members of the committee: Trustees Melissa Carrico, Michael Watson, and Robert Redmond. Village Administrator: Lisa Powers, Antonio Carrico member of the KCCC board and several members of the community.

- 1. Call to order:@5:03pm Meeting was an open forum to discuss the following items
- 2. Shop Small Event: Discussed the upcoming event presented by Barbi Watson at our last board meeting 2/27/17. Event being organized by Kankakee County Ambassadors and Kankakee County Chamber of Commerce and support given from The Kankakee County Visitors Bureau. The Village of Bradley will co-host this event but will incur no cost other than any items we choose to give away to attendees or for a raffle. This Shop Small Eat, Drink and Shop Downtown Bradley will be on Saturday May 6th from Noon to 4pm. Suggestions were discussed for items or events to be offered by the Village included: events for children such as face painting, bounce houses, gift bags, K-9 demos, tours of the fire department, and any other opportunity to promote our village and services we provide. Others asked what business owners can and will offer during this day but this will be up to each individual owner to showcase what they have to offer. The KVCC will be contacting all businesses, members and non members, to discuss this event and assist with ideas as needed such as sidewalk sales, musicians in the business, tours, or any other unique idea or specials they want to provide that day.
- 3. Update on Broadway: continued progress towards suggestions from consultants as finances allow. 16 trees along Broadway have been replaced with 12 more to go. Some in attendance asked about a couple of the recent businesses that have closed and one was for family reasons and one was for decreased enrollment issues and ADA compliance remodeling that was not financially feasible for them. Our Revolving loan program was discussed and Administrator Powers explained that it is still available and briefly about the State requirements for this program. Anyone interested in this program can contact her for more information. Possibilities of future businesses were discussed fro Broadway such as the need for more small specialty businesses to meet the needs of our residents as well as attract others to our community. This is our ultimate goal to provide Bradley residents with a "walkable" Mainstreet that we can be proud of.
- 4. Public Comments: ongoing throughout meeting
- 5. Adjourn @ 5:50pm motion by Trustee Watson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Redmond

#### Minutes from the Tuesday March 7, 2017

### **Police & Fire Committee Meeting**

In attendance: Members of the committee: Trustees Melissa Carrico, Lori Gadbois (Eric Cry absent), Chief Johnston, Lt. Boudreau, Officer Baxter, Village Administrator Lisa Power, one member from the public Antonio Carrico.

- 1. Call to order @ 6:06pm.
- 2. Police Vehicles: Since June 1st Chief Johnston has been doing a study on the fleet of police vehicles to begin a budget discussion on the future replacement schedule of the fleet. There have been numerous recalls and issues with many of the 2012 Dodge Chargers and only the power train warranty left on them. Currently we have 30 vehicles in our fleet and the 7 Ford Explorers that we currently own have had little to no issues and are better suited for the police equipment. Chief Johnston presented finance versus purchase options that will need to be discussed with Treasurer Pries and the full board during budget discussions. A replacement schedule would need to be determined that meets the needs of the department as well as be affordable for the Village to allow for a comfortable number to be replaced and a certain number to be under warranty to keep repair costs at a manageable level.
- 3. Staffing Study: Chief Johnston presented his Police Staffing Study. He is trying to be pro-active with the increasing needs of the Village due to our steadily increasing retail base and residents to the area and plan for the next 3-5 years. From 2000-2010 there has been a 21% population growth and we have maintained the same staffing levels for many, many years. We discussed the benefits of adding additional officers that would allow for an increase of community services provided to residents, increase the coverage of areas patrolled, decrease the work load and increase officer safety. We currently have 32 sworn officers and 21 of those are Patrol officers.

### 4. *Adjourn @7:*35pm

No recommendation was needed from the committee at this time but only information provided prior to budget discussions.

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