

Village of Dolton
Regular Meeting Board of Trustees
Monday, May 6, 2019

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Riley H. Rogers called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at the Dorchester Center Ballroom, 1515 E 154th St, pursuant to notice duly posted, at 6:48 p.m.

ROLL CALL The following Trustees were present: Deborah Denton, Tiffany Henyard, Jason House, Duane Muhammad, and Valeria Stubbs. Trustee Robert E. Pierson, Jr. was absent.

Also, present: Village Clerk Mary Kay Duggan, Village Attorney John B. Murphey, Village Engineer Ron Smith and department heads.

A quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/
PRAYER

Prayer was led by Cook County Commissioner Donna Miller

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Rogers denied Trustee Muhammad's request to read aloud his written address emailed earlier this afternoon. Trustee Muhammad asked that the mayor's refusal be noted in the record.

VILLAGE CLERK REPORT

A. Approval of the Minutes

March 18, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
April 1, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
April 15, 2019 Regular Board Meeting

The village clerk noted that one or more trustees had been absent from the meetings, and asked for a motion to approve minutes by separate motions:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 18, 2019.

Motion by Trustee House. Second by Trustee Denton. There being no discussion:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Henyard, House, and Stubbs

NAYS: 1 Trustee Muhammad

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Pierson

Motion passed.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 1, 2019.

Motion by Trustee Stubbs. Second by Trustee House. There being no discussion:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Henyard, House, Stubbs

NAYS: 1 Trustee Muhammad

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Pierson

Motion passed.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2019.

Motion by Trustee Denton. Second by Trustee Stubbs. There being no discussion:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 5 Trustees Denton, Henyard, House, Muhammad, and Stubbs

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1 Trustee Pierson

Motion passed.

B. COMMUNICATIONS

The village clerk asked for and received a consensus of the trustees to grant the tag day request by Dolton Elite Basketball on Saturday, May 11, 2019.

ENGINEER'S REPORT None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS Mayor Rogers deferred to the next meeting.

CORPORATE BILLS No action taken.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Override of Mayoral Veto
"Block by Block" Program
Trustee Henyard

MOTION TO OVERRIDE MAYORAL VETO OF "BLOCK BY BLOCK " PROGRAM.

Motion by Trustee Henyard. Second by Trustee House.

Mayor Rogers again criticized the proposal to sell to potential homeowners at \$5,000 and to investors at \$1,000.00. He added that the proposal would conflict with the village's current obligation under BP Capital's Invest in Dolton program.

Trustee Henyard said that she had spoken to the village attorney to develop the program.

Village Attorney Murphey noted that under its contract with the village, BP Capital to date has acquired 38 homes in the village's name. The village does not have any properties right now for "Block by Block."

Trustee House suggested a pilot program of 5 homes.

Mayor Rogers said that he will revisit the program but will not go forward with liability at stake.

There being no further discussion:

ON THE MOTION TO OVERRIDE VETO:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 2 Trustees Denton, Henyard
NAYS: 3 Trustees Muhammad, Stubbs, House
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1 Trustee Pierson
Motion failed. Veto sustained.

OATHS OF OFFICES TO TRUSTEES

Andrew Holmes
Tammie Brown
Edward Steave

The oath of office was administered to the trustees-elect collectively by Appellate Justice Nathaniel H. Howse, Jr.

The new trustees took their seats.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance No. 19-009
Amending Section No. 1-5-4(R) of the Dolton Village Code (restoring the mayor's authority to hire/terminate employees)

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 19-009.

Motion by Trustee House. Second by Trustee Steave.

Trustee House asked the mayor to notify the trustees of employment changes for budget purposes.

In response to Trustee Henyard's question why there should be a change, Mayor Rogers said that every other mayor has that right, and referred to the village attorney.

Village Attorney Murphey said that the board of trustees is a legislative body. The purpose of the ordinance is to reinstate the authority of the mayor to keep government moving.

Trustee Henyard said that she does not agree.

There being no further discussion:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Brown, Holmes, House, Steave
NAYS: 1 Trustee Henyard
ABSTAIN: 1 Trustee Denton.
ABSENT: 0
Motion passed.

- B. Ordinance No. 19-010
Amending Section 1-6-5 of the Dolton Village Code with Respect to Meetings of the Board (restoring the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole)

There being no discussion:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 6 Trustees Brown, Denton, Henyard Holmes, House, Steave

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

Motion passed.

C. Ordinance No. 19-011

Amending Section 1-6-7 of the Dolton Village Code with Respect to Meetings of the Board (establishing order of business and standing committees)

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 19-011.

Motion by Trustee Steave. Second by Trustee Brown.

Trustee Henyard expressed her objections to the ordinance's Rule 8 and 9 establishing trustee committees and appointment of committee members by the mayor. She said that the trustees should work among themselves to agree on committees and membership.

There being no further discussion:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Brown, Holmes, House, Steave

NAYS: 2 Trustees Denton, Henyard

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

Motion passed.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Rogers announced that this Saturday's Coffee with the Mayor marks its sixth anniversary.

The official renaming of Chicago Rd. to Martin Luther King Jr. Drive will be on Saturday, May 25th, at 12 p.m. at the new village hall.

On April 15th, the village designated Parkside Avenue in Dolton as Hon. Wayne Adams Way in honor of Mr. Adams and his wife, Grace Adams, on Wayne's 100th birthday.

Mayor Rogers is sponsoring a Mothers' Day brunch on Wednesday, May 8th, at the Dorchester. Dolton residents only may RSVP at 708-201-1090.

Mayor Rogers introduced a representative from East-West University in Chicago, who announced that scholarships @ 80% tuition were available to Dolton students.

Mayor Rogers expressed his thanks to Jonah Robinson of JR's Jerk Chicken, for catering tonight's celebration following the board meeting.

CITIZENS ADDRESS

Deferred by Mayor Rogers to the next meeting with no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, on a motion by Trustee Holmes, second by Trustee Brown, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees, Mayor Rogers asked for a roll call to adjourn.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 6 Trustees Brown, Denton, Henyard, Holmes, House, Steave

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

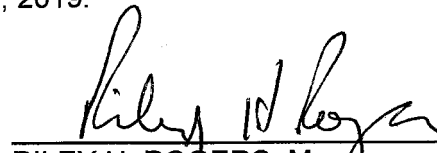
Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.



MARY KAY DUGGAN, Village Clerk

APPROVED by the Board of Trustees this 3rd day of June, 2019.



RILEY H. ROGERS, Mayor