

**VILLAGE OF CHERRY VALLEY, IL
MINUTES FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE
VILLAGE'S FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2015-2016
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2015**

VILLAGE CLERK DANA WARD CALLED THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE VILLAGE'S FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2015-2016 TO ORDER AT 6:51PM. A Roll Call was taken by Village Clerk, Dana Ward.

STEPHEN APPELL	PRESENT	JOANN HUDSON	PRESENT
NANCY BELT	PRESENT	GARY MAITLAND	PRESENT
SALLY HOLLEMBEAK	PRESENT	DAVID SCHROEDER	PRESENT

Also present: Treasurer Karen Melloch, Public Works Director Chuck Freeman, Chief of Police Larry Neville, Attorneys Jim Stevens and Derron Burke, Dennis McMullen C.E.S. and Village Clerk Dana Ward.

Village Clerk Dana Ward entertained a motion, since President Jim E. Claeysen is unable to attend this evening, to appoint Trustee Stephen Appell as Village President pro tem. Trustee Hollembeak moved to appoint Trustee Stephen Appell as Village President pro tem. Trustee Schroeder seconded. A Roll Call vote was taken:

STEPHEN APPELL	ABSTAIN	JOANN HUDSON	AYE
NANCY BELT	AYE	GARY MAITLAND	AYE
SALLY HOLLEMBEAK	AYE	DAVID SCHROEDER	AYE

Attorney Stevens stated that the motion passes. Trustee Appell will take over the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: A Public Hearing for the Village's Fiscal Year Budget 2015-2016. President pro tem Appell noted that copies were made for public review. The Budget will be passed in ordinance form; the first reading is on the Village Board agenda this evening. Discussion ensued regarding, but not limited to, the Police Pension Fund, anticipated increases for health insurance, and salaries. Treasurer Karen Melloch noted that the FOP (Fraternal Order of Police) contract negotiations have just begun, and amendments may be necessary when the contract is resolved. A decision will need to be made regarding the office structure. Trustee Hudson voiced her concern regarding the possible position of an office manager. President pro tem Appell noted that money was allocated for an office manager and other professional services (for economic development). Treasurer Karen Melloch interjected that there are funds for both, and if the Village Board makes a decision to hire a village administrator, the funds for economic development can be put back into salaries. Trustee Hudson made a statement regarding the ten year print out of the revenue sales tax. In 2004 it was \$3.4 million, and in 2014 it was still \$3.4 million. In between it didn't fluctuate much. She is concerned with this and stated that there were costs that have increased. Trustee Hudson is concerned about the village. Treasurer Karen Melloch added that the village needs to start looking at development; the village needs to increase the sales tax revenue and recommended hiring an outside firm to pursue economic development. The sales tax projection has been left "flat" for the new budget year. Trustee Appell noted that there are some new businesses, and agreed that more are needed. Items that are budgeted must be approved by the Village

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Board before an expenditure can occur. Trustee Belt stated that just because it is in the budget, it doesn't necessarily mean the village will spend it.

BOARD COMMENTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Seeing there are no other questions, President pro tem Appell entertained a motion to adjourn. Trustee Belt moved to adjourn at 7:06PM. Trustee Hollembeak seconded. All "Aye"; none opposed. Motion carried.

Recorded by Village Clerk Dana Ward.

Trustee Appell reviewed the minutes on April 21, 2015.

**AGENDA
BUDGET HEARING
VILLAGE OF CHERRY VALLEY, IL
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2015
6:45PM**

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: PRESIDENT JIM E. CLAEYSSEN

ROLL CALL TAKEN BY: VILLAGE CLERK, DANA WARD

VILLAGE TRUSTEES:

STEPHEN APPELL	JOANN HUDSON
NANCY BELT	GARY MAITLAND
SALLY HOLLEMBEAK	DAVID SCHROEDER

NEW BUSINESS: Public Hearing for the Village's FY 2015-2016 Village Budget.

BOARD COMMENTS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

**ADJOURNMENT:
JEC (03-31-15)**