

**Village of Bensenville  
Village Board Room  
12 South Center Street  
Bensenville, Illinois 60106  
Counties of DuPage and Cook**

**MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND LEGISLATION  
COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**May 19, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Janowiak called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Upon roll call by Deputy Village Clerk, Corey Williamsen, the following Board Members were present:

Chairwoman Janowiak, President Soto, DeSimone, Jaworska, Carmona, Wesseler, O'Connell

Absent: Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: V. Benham, J. Caracci, D. DiSanto, T. Finner, F. Kosman, D. Schultz, T. Sloth, A. Thakkar, S. Viger, C. Williamsen

**Approval of  
Minutes:** The April 21, 2015 Administration, Finance and Legislation Committee Minutes were presented.

**Motion:** Trustee O'Connell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. President Soto seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter  
Financial Review:** Director of Finance, Tim Sloth, presented to the Committee an overview of the Village's 1<sup>st</sup> quarter financial review. A copy of the presentation has been attached to the minutes as "Exhibit A".

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Mr. Sloth stated the overall budget is trending well and balanced. Mr. Sloth stated for 2015 the Village budget is projecting a total net positive variance of \$167,770. Mr. Sloth stated Total Revenues (Net of Transfers) are projecting \$1,464,164 under budget while Total Expenditures are projecting at \$1,631,934 under budget. Mr. Sloth stated NET = \$167,770 better than budgeted. Mr. Sloth stated Year to Date (YTD) budget deficit of \$2,522,903 is consistent with what Staff expected. Mr. Sloth stated a majority of capital spending has not occurred yet. Mr. Sloth stated the \$14.1M Budgeted Deficit in the 2015 Budget is due to capital spending. Mr. Sloth stated a significant portion of our capital plan is being funded via cash on hand which was accumulated in previous fiscal years resulting in a deficit. Mr. Sloth stated LGDF reduction is currently the biggest financial threat to the Village. Mr. Sloth stated estimated losses range from \$300,000 to \$750,000 depending on the size of the reduction.

Trustee DeSimone asked how the temporary closure of Irving Park Road and York Road has affected the Village's projected tax revenues. Mr. Sloth stated it was still too early to tell due to the delay in the Village receiving tax information from the State.

Trustee Jaworska asked if the Village of Bensenville's budget is similar to surrounding communities. Assistant Village Manager, Dan Di Santo stated it's difficult to compare to other Municipalities because of certain programming and projects taking place.

**Motion:** Trustee Wesseler made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting agenda for action. Trustee O'Connell seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Preservation of Local Funds:** Director of Finance, Tim Sloth, presented to the Committee a resolution entitled a resolution supporting preservation of local funds.

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Mr. Sloth stated the State of Illinois continues to consider legislation that would divert local government revenues toward solving the State's budget crisis. Mr. Sloth stated the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) is State income tax money that has been distributed to local governments since the State income tax was implemented in 1969. Mr. Sloth stated in 2014 Bensenville received \$1,588,476 in LGDF funds. Mr. Sloth stated the loss of LGDF revenue would significantly impact the Village's operating budget. Mr. Sloth stated local governments across the state are passing Resolutions opposing cuts to LGDF. Mr. Sloth stated this Resolution shows the Village's support of preserving these critical local funds. Mr. Sloth stated Staff recommends approval.

Trustee DeSimone asked if the Village has a plan in place that would account for the loss of funds if the proposal was passed by the State of Illinois. Mr. Di Santo stated Staff has met on the issue and are currently developing a plan of action if the funds are to be cut. Mr. Di Santo stated the Village will know if funds are cut in July and certain projects and vacant job positions are currently on hold. Mr. Di Santo also stated the Village will be reviewing the potential of lost funds during the budget process in October.

**INFORMATIONAL**

**ITEMS:**

Mr. Sloth informed the Committee that vehicle stickers are now on sale.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Chairwoman Janowiak made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee O'Connell seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairwoman Janowiak adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Corey Williamsen

Deputy Village Clerk

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 16th day, June 2015