

Rochester Village Board – Special Meeting
1/22/2024

President Suerdieck called the meeting to order at 6:33pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Trustee Brewer, Trustee Carver, Trustee Eandi, Trustee Hendrickson, Trustee Kindred, Trustee Munroe, President Suerdieck, Clerk Gerberding

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) Appointment Discussion – Legal Counsel

Trustee Munroe made a motion to move into executive session. Trustee Hendrickson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 6:34 pm.

President called the meeting to order at 7:51 pm.

Members Present: Trustee Brewer, Trustee Carver, Trustee Eandi, Trustee Hendrickson, Trustee Kindred, Trustee Munroe, President Suerdieck, Clerk Gerberding

Action on Executive Session – Do we want to get a 3rd candidate?

Trustee Eandi liked Brown, Hay, and Stephens. They were very knowledgeable on different smaller pieces that we need help with. Trustee Munroe agreed. Trustees Hendrickson, Carver, and Kindred agree as well.

Trustee Kindred – can we look into what our current TIF contract says to see what kind of time frame we are held to? President Suerdieck suspects \$8,400 quarterly, which is for unlimited service. He will check into that. Trustee Brewer asked for an estimate on how often the Village contacts the attorneys. Pres. Suerdieck said pre-COVID, a couple of times a week. During and since COVID, not very often.

Trustee Munroe believes the \$200/hr is a reasonable fee for the resources. Even though it is higher than we have been paying, it may very well be worth it.

Trustee Munroe moved to hire Brown, Hay, and Stephens as the Village Counsel. Trustee Carver seconded the motion.

Roll Call was taken:

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| Trustee Brewer - yes | Trustee Carver - yes |
| Trustee Eandi - yes | Trustee Hendrickson - yes |
| Trustee Kindred - yes | Trustee Munroe - yes |

Motion passes with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Pres. Suerdieck talked to Attorney Hedinger earlier today to see where everything stands with the Cravens case. The insurance company has not really provided an answer as to whether or not our case will be covered or not.

Several trustees thanked President Suerdieck for his work and effort in bringing in two great candidates.

Motion to Adjourn

Trustee Hendrickson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Kindred seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Gerberding
Village Clerk