

VILLAGE OF DOLTON
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Wednesday, February 23, 2018
4 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER At the call for a special meeting by Trustees Deborah Denton, Duane Muhammad, Robert E. Pierson, Jr., and Valeria Stubbs, duly posted;

Mayor Riley H. Rogers called the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 4:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL Present: Trustees Deborah M. Denton, Duane Muhammad, Robert E. Pierson, Jr., and Valeria Stubbs.

Absent: Trustees Tiffany Henyard and Jason House.

Also present: Village Clerk Mary Kay Duggan.

Village Attorney John B. Murphey, Village Engineer Ron Smith, and department heads were absent.

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE/
PRAYER

Mayor Rogers asked for a moment of silence upon the passing of Trustee Denton's mother, April Robinson.

Mayor Rogers asked for another moment of silence in memory of the 17 students killed by a shooter on February 14th at the Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Payment of \$30,000 to Grasso Bass PC for "Invest in Dolton"

MOTION TO TABLE.

Motion by Trustee Stubbs. Second by Trustee Muhammad.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Muhammad, Pierson, and Stubbs

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2 Trustees Henyard, House

Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Hiring of Legislative Counsel

MOTION TO HIRE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

Motion by Trustee Stubbs. Second by Trustee Muhammad.
The motion did not name counsel or set fees.

Mayor Rogers questioned the appointment of another legislative counsel for the trustees and the expenditure for an additional attorney when village finances are at a deficit.

Trustee Muhammad called the question to end discussion. Second by Trustee Stubbs.

Mayor Rogers repeated his concerns above. There being no further discussion:

ROLL CALL
AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Muhammad, Pierson, and Stubbs
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 2 Trustees Henyard, House
Motion passed

B. "Murphey Resolution"

Trustee Muhammad read aloud a resolution (later identified as 18 R-002) directing an investigation by the trustees' finance committee and freeze of the village attorney's fees.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Trustee Muhammad. Second by Trustee Stubbs.

There being no further discussion:

ROLL CALL
AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Muhammad, Pierson, and Stubbs
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 2 Trustees Henyard, House
Motion passed.

C. Foreclosure Registry

Trustee Muhammad presented the following:

- 1) Default and Vacant Property Ordinance (later identified as No. 18-001)

MOTION TO APPROVE.

Motion by Trustee Muhammad. Second by Trustee Pierson.

This ordinance amends Title 8, Chapter 16, of the village code: "Vacant Building and Foreclosure Registration Program" which had been approved on May 1, 2017 as Ord. No. 17-013, and was further amended by Ordinance No. 17-020 on July 21, 2017. The new ordinance revises language and increases the annual registration fee from \$200 to \$300.

Discussion:

Mayor Rogers reported that former Village Administrator Stan Urban identified himself on LinkedIn as a sales representative for the company sponsoring the ordinance.

Trustee Muhammad said that was not true.

There being no further discussion:

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Muhammad, Pierson, and Stubbs

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2 Trustees Henyard, House

Motion passed.

2) Agreement with Property Registrations Champions, LLC

MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT.

Motion by Trustee Muhammad. Second by Trustee Stubbs.

Discussion between Mayor Rogers and Trustee Muhammad above continued.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Muhammad, Pierson, and Stubbs

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2 Trustees Henyard, House

Motion passed.

D. Hiring of Water Department Director (at the Call of Mayor Rogers).

MOTION TO TABLE.

Motion by Trustee Muhammad. Second by Trustee Stubbs.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Muhammad, Pierson, and Stubbs

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2 Trustees Henyard, House

Motion Passed.

CITIZENS ADDRESS

Earlene Branch, resident, questioned the source of funds for a legislative counsel.

Louise Copeland, resident, questioned the relationship with the former village administrator and the property registration company approved by the board of trustees this evening.

Mrs. Crayton, resident, invited residents to the Training Family and Community Engagement Summit sponsored by H.S. Dist. 205 at South Suburban College on March 24.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, Mayor Rogers asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION TO CONTINUE.

Motion by Trustee Muhammad. Second by Trustee Stubbs.

The village clerk asked if the trustees had set a date certain to reconvene.

Trustee Muhammad said that the trustees would let the village clerk know the date.

ROLL CALL

AYES: 4 Trustees Denton, Muhammad, Pierson, and Stubbs


NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2 Trustees Henyard, House

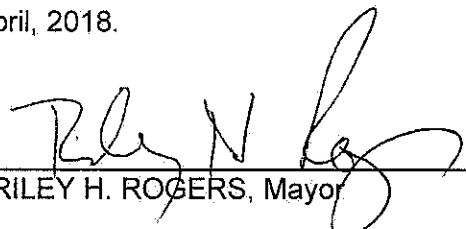
Motion Passed.

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was continued to a date uncertain, and recessed at 4:37 p.m.



MARY KAY DUGGAN, Village Clerk

APPROVED by the Board of Trustees this 2nd day of April, 2018.



RILEY H. ROGERS, Mayor