



**VILLAGE OF
SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES**

MARCH 21, 2022

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held on Monday, March 21, 2022, at the Village Hall, 3317 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights, Illinois. Mayor Terry Matthews called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Mayor Matthews requested the Village Clerk, Catherine Linan, to call the roll. The following were present:

Terry Matthews	Village President	Terry Fiorenzo	Trustee
Catherine Linan	Village Clerk	Chris Bednarek	Deputy Fire Chief
Matt Welch	Attorney	Bill Joyce	Police Chief
John Ross	Trustee	Nick Goncher	Building Director
Eric Stanton	Trustee	Nora Gomez	Village Administrator
Sally Marrufo	Trustee	John Dolasinski	Treasurer
Rose Ann Diederich	Trustee		

Trustee Bosco, Fire Chief Vlietstra, and Deputy Chief Bob Byrnes were absent.

DISCUSSION – INCREASE WATER SERVICE DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT: Mayor Matthews asked Trustee Ross to explain. Trustee Ross stated that a number of services billed under the water account, are not being satisfied by the deposit and in some cases, balances are still left unpaid. Discussion ensued regarding interested acuminating on water deposit and implementing an increase in the amount of water deposit. Further discussion regarding commercial and Industrial water deposits ensued. The Mayor and the Board agreed to increase the water deposit \$100.00 for each rate tier.


DISCUSSION – COST OF POKER MACHINE STICKER: Mayor Matthews asked Clerk Linan to explain. Clerk Linan stated that when the poker machine became regulated by the state, non-home rule communities could only charge \$25.00 per machine by state statute. Clerk Linan stated that now that South Chicago Heights is a home rule community, she recommended the fee be changed to \$75.00 per machine which has always been the amount for any coin operated machines. Discussion ensued regarding the revenue video gaming machines generate, cost sharing between business owners and video terminal operators. The Mayor and the Board agreed to increase the poker machine sticker fee to \$250.00 per machine.

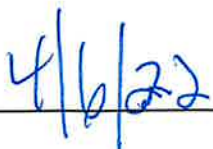
Mayor Matthews asked about the Push Tax Ordinance that was previously adopted and stated that he would like it implemented. Attorney Welch stated that he can provide us with information from another community that has implemented an administrative procedure to collect the push tax.

Mayor Matthews asked the Board about other video gaming cafes and that he was approached by a business owner that would like to put poker machines in a laundromat. Discussion ensued regarding a liquor license close to the school and what the regulations are.

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further to discuss, Trustee Stanton motioned to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting, seconded by Trustee Fiorenzo. On a voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


Catherine Linan, Village Clerk


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