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VOLL: All right, so now in the meantime, what do we do for a contact person or somebody like that? Because before when we were between gaps, the board had allowed me to do some answering of comments, discussions with staff, that kind of thing, but no decisions about spending or anything like that, but just like day-to-day questions to go to kind of stuff.

CHARNESKI: Yeah. Have them call me. I'll take care of it.

(laughing in background)

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COYLE: I think for the most part, the department heads continue to report directly to the board. As far as an overall point person for certain matters, I'd say that would still belong to you as the village president.

VOLL: Okay.

CHARNESKI: Just by default, I guess. Pete, Pete, you look like executive, too.

VOLL: I don't know if it's by default. I've been accused of overstep before. I don't want to overstep. I just want to be very clear and very specific on what's going to happen. Anyone want to make a motion to that?

COYLE: Yeah, I'll make a motion that going forward until we fill the village administrator position, that the department has to report directly to the board and that for any special situations that come up, financially or otherwise, the point person will be Chris Voll, the village board president.

CHARNESKI: And I'd like to amend that to anything that comes up, if it's of any import at all, he would relate to the board.

VOLL: Right, absolutely.

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CHARNESKI: That's my motion for an amendment.

MYSKA: I'll second the motion.

COYLE: And the amendment.

MYSZKA: And the amendment, and the amendment.

VOLL: All right so Aaron seconds the motion and Ken

LEE TURONIE: Can we clarify it? Is the amendment a reporting requirement just to be clear you know in between every two weeks or if you have a cancelled meeting can the president actually okay something that's the first part of the motion or not? Let's be clear about it. Is this, is the amendment just a reporting requirement? It's like we have administrative reports and the president ought to report on anything.

CHARNESKI: Just to send an email or something making us aware of what's going on.

COYLE: Yeah.

MYSZKA: We still want open lines of communication, so communication must be there.

COYLE: I guess what I was saying was that the department head will continue to operate as they normally do per ordinance and what they are allowed to do within that ordinance anything above and beyond that would require additional support or additional decision- making would be done I guess with communication to the entire board but ultimately the oversight of the village president.

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CHARNESKI: Within good judgment.

COYLE: Yes.

VOLL: Does that satisfy what you're looking for, Lee?

TURONIE: Yes, let's use an example.

VOLL: Okay.

TURONIE: Okay this is something that had some heartburn six months ago. Let's say the president gets faced with a issue that he can't call a special board meeting in time, and he needs to save the taxpayers money to get a bill sent out on time. Okay I just want to be clear.

CHARNESKI: He can call a meeting within two days.

TURONIE: If he has time, but if he doesn't have time you know this is what exactly we're talking about, can he get something done so that saves the village basically and report as soon as possible call a meeting if we can, but not on time can you do that and we don't know if he had notice. So that's exactly what we're trying to establish here so we don't have heartburn later if the president feels obligated to take care of something and everyone wants to disagree later.

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MYSZKA: It only takes a few seconds to send an email.

BUCHKOWSKI-HOFFMANN: Is that something that the administrator would have taken care of?

TURONIE: Within limits right? So do we want to clarify and just say because there is a policy what the administrator limits are right? We're going to let the president operate within those limits? Is that our understanding?

VOLL: Yeah because anything else would have to come to the board anyway.

TURONIE: Right.

COYLE: Okay. So I guess.

TURONIE: We're going to allow the president to step in and administrate now and again. It is pursuant to what

we have the administrators do. He's still going to keep everyone informed, call meetings as much as we can. Okay. I just want to make this sounds more clear now that we discuss it a little more.

COYLE: Okay. So I'm going to rescind my original motion in its entirety which I assume that covers the amendment.

TURONIE: Right.

COYLE: All right.

TURONIE: The second agrees to rescind?

MYSZKA: I agree.

TURONIE: Ok.

COYLE: All right. So then my motion is to continue to allow the department heads to operate as they normally would within ordinance, budgets and Village rules. For items that would fall under the area of approval of administrator the village

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CHARNESKI: and in emergency situations

COYLE: and in emergency situations, and make sure that the full board is informed in a timely basis.

MYSZKA: I'll second that.

VOLL: All right, does that cover your concern, Ken?

CHARNESKI: I guess, I guess.

VOLL: All right, Kelly made a motion, Aaron made a second.

CHARNESKI: We'll know what's in it after we pass it.

(laughing)

VOLL: To allow the staff to continue, the departments heads continue to work as they are within ordinances and statutes, and to allow the village president to step in and administrate as needed. Any further discussion? Hearing none, all in favor say aye.

ALL: Aye.

VOLL: All opposed? Motion carried. All right, moving on to item number 6K, the red one's quote.

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