

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2006

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Laube called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Center. Present at roll call were Trustees Bastidas, Bowman, Figurski, Menzel, Pelletier and Tuman. Also present were President Laube, Attorney Rosenthal, Administrator Osten and Clerk Brouder.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Menzel made a motion to approve the Board Minutes of February 16, 2006. Trustee Pelletier seconded. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

In attendance were Scout Kevin Kandler, his Mother, Jean; Scout Kyle Walker, his Father, Randy; Resident and EDC member Bob Nunamaker, Chamber Representative John Opatrny and Northwest Herald reporter Brandon Coutre.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Trustee Figurski reported that the NWMC President passed away. They are searching for someone to take his place.

~ On the smoking ban issue, NWMC is waiting for the statewide ban initiative.

~ Eminent Domain bill passed the Senate and has now gone to the House.

~ Public Safety Employment Benefits Act (SB2332) is not yet posted to a committee. It has been attached as an amendment to HB 1816. A retirement option plan for Police and Fire, it would allow them to collect their pension and work another five years. This would be very costly for the Village. Administrator Osten sent the actuary's estimated cost of \$460,000 over a five-year period to the NWMC for use in Springfield.

Trustee Pelletier reported that Barry Valentine, the Director of McHenry County Emergency Services, spoke at the McCOG meeting. Towns need to complete training by the end of 2006. We will need to adopt an ordinance defining chain of command in a disaster situation. Officer Slovacek is currently being trained to make us compliant.

The next McCOG meeting is March 22nd. Trustee Pelletier is unable to attend. Trustee Figurski will check to see if he is available.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

~ **Trustee Bastidas made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable Report for February 2006. Trustee Tuman seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

There were no payment and purchase requests. The draft budget will be available tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

~ **Trustee Figurski made a motion to adopt an ordinance adopting by reference of the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance. Trustee Tuman seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. This will be Ordinance 2006-09.

~ **Trustee Figurski made a motion to enter into an agreement with Baxter & Woodman, Inc. for Phase II Construction Engineering not to exceed \$71,300. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Figurski made a motion to adopt a resolution for MFT 2005 funds in the amount of \$11,083. Trustee Tuman seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

~ **Trustee Bowman made a motion to adopt an ordinance amending Section 6-37 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Fox River Grove for the purpose of increasing certain building fees. Trustee Figurski seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. This will be Ordinance 2006-10.

~ **Trustee Bowman made a motion to approve the bicycle race and the waiver of fees for the USCF. Trustee Figurski seconded.** Trustee Menzel stated some Picnic Grove residents were present at both meetings and they were agreeable to it. Some of the streets on the route will be closed for approximately six hours. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

Apartment Inspection Program - Administrator Osten explained that currently this is done only on a complaint driven basis. We have three different businesses bidding to do this. The apartment owners would pay it for. Units of three or more can be inspected. There are three times for inspections – when the apartment turns over, when a complaint is made, and inspecting the common areas of the apartment building.

~ **Trustee Bowman made a motion to adopt an ordinance amending Section 3-27 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Fox River Grove “Limitation on number of licenses” for the purpose of increasing the number of authorized class “A” Licenses. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. This ordinance will not go into effect until the Village President signs it. It will be Ordinance 2006-11.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Attorney Rosenthal reported that the annexation of the Route 14 properties will become effective Wednesday, March 22nd – which is the day after the primary election.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Laube asked about having a Commissioners Appreciation Dinner for the people on our commissions. Everyone was agreeable. We will probably have it at Norge Ski Clubhouse

and it will include drinks and appetizers. After discussion on dates, Thursday, May 25th was decided. Clerk Brouder will reserve Norge. President Laube also reported that it was requested by employees to change the date of the Employee Appreciation Party to earlier in the season before the snow starts falling so plow drivers could attend. November 18th was chosen.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

~ Administrator Osten explained WAN and DLS agreement renewals. DLS has their equipment on our water tower for wireless internet. They pay us \$300 rental which expires on April 16th. The agreement is for a 5% increase, but DLS would like to change it to 4%. In return for 4%, the fee charged for internet service for School, Fire, Library Districts and Village will remain at \$200/month, they'll inspect our equipment and make minor repairs and provide a free website hosting for one domain per government entity at no cost. The WAN is the agreement between DLS and the School, Fire and Library Districts to share internet source.

Trustee Figurski made a motion to approve the first amendment to the agreement.

Trustee Bastidas seconded. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. **Trustee Figurski made a motion to authorize the Village President to sign the agreement. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ The FRG Lions offered to purchase a Public Access Defibrillator for the Village Hall Board Room. Staff training would be provided by the Fire District. Attorney Rosenthal stated the Village would need to be trained, follow the manufacturer's guidelines and register the machine with the hospital to avoid any liabilities. We also would need to post signage stating that only authorized people can use the defibrillator.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Figurski made a motion at 8:45 to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel and sale of Village property. Trustee Bowman seconded. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. All trustees were present. **Trustee Menzel made a motion to return to Village Board meeting at 9:55. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. Present were Trustees Bastidas, Bowman, Figurski, Menzel, Pelletier and Tuman. Also present were President Laube, Attorney Rosenthal, Administrator Osten and Clerk Brouder.

~ **Trustee Menzel made a motion to authorize sale of Village property located at the southwest corner of Asbury and Foxmoor Roads for not less than \$60,500 which is 80% of the appraised value as determined by Harrison & Associates, Inc. Trustee Figurski seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

ADJOURNMENT

**~ Trustee Menzel made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 10:17 p.m.
Trustee Pelletier seconded. All were in favor.**

Katherine A. Laube, Village President

Date Approved

Donna M. Brouder, Village Clerk