

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2007

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Laube called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. in the Municipal Center. Present at roll call were Trustees Bowman, Cramer, Figurski, Menzel, Pelletier and Tuman. Also present were Attorney Rosenthal, Chief Polston, Administrator Osten, and Clerk Brouder.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Pelletier made a motion to approve the Board Minutes of June 21, 2007.

Trustee Menzel seconded. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

In attendance were John Opatrny from Stone Hill Center; Jack Auriema, a resident and business owner; Jon Huizinga, Superintendent of Streets and Parks; and Jocelyn Allison of the Northwest Herald.

Mr. Auriema, a director of the Fox Glen Association, thanked the Village Board, Village Staff and Baxter & Woodman for their professional assistance in handling the Association's concerns about completing the office park punchlist. He was also interested in hearing about the new Streets and Parks Garage facility.

President Laube stated that the Village Board is looking for approval of the preliminary cost and design and the authorization to go out to bid. Administrator Osten has prepared a memo with alternatives to this garage. Trustee Tuman stated that having the facility out of town does not make sense. It would result in wasted time for employees. Past Trustees spent many hours and money on finding an appropriate place. Administrator Osten said we are ready to move to the next phase. There are three phases prior to going out to bid – schematic design, design development and construction documents preparation.

Trustee Figurski asked if the Board approves these preliminary plans, and we pay for them, does Village own the plans. Attorney Rosenthal stated we would have to review the contract. He also stated that any contractors hired have to pay prevailing wage. They also have to post performance bonds and there are only a handful of operations that are able to afford the bonds.

The consultant's fees are approximately \$400,000 and we have to pay 75% up front – divided between the construction company and the architect. President Laube stated that we could do this in pieces, but the costs could be more and the neighbors would be disturbed for a longer period of time. Administrator Osten suggested having other Public Works Directors that have just built facilities review the plans and costs. After further discussion, it was decided the landscape plan needs to be addressed, the Board members want to keep the entire facility in town, and they would like to have Bergland Construction attend the next meeting. **Trustee Figurski made a motion to approve the four-acre site on County Line Road to be used as the Public Works entire garage facility. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. President Laube also noted that the Village Board is very concerned with the screening, landscaping, traffic and fencing.

Trustee Menzel reviewed the plans today and the architect is one of the premier architects. He thinks the garage is rather elaborate. He is concerned about the water rate increase. He is uneasy about this.

Trustee Tuman disagrees. This benefits the community. It will allow the employees to be out in the community and take better care of our equipment.

John Opatrny stated that the plans are upscale and they look like another administrative office. There is nothing in them about water retention. There will be gas on the premises, but there is no protection for storage. Trustee Figurski replied that there is water retention and gasoline storage protection. Mr. Opatrny stated he thinks it is a great idea for Bergland to come back. This needs to be pared down in size or phased in. This will represent an \$1,800/year increase in Stone Hill's water bills.

Mr. Auriema stated that the cost of \$600,000 for the architect and engineering seems very high. Attorney Rosenthal stated that cost includes the construction manager as well. Trustee Pelletier said the site development is also included in that.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Trustee Figurski reported that the NWMC is on vacation.

Trustee Pelletier reported the following from McCOG:

- ~ Fox River Grove is hosting McCOG at Five O'Clock Steakhouse July 25th.
- ~ There is a Resolution for McHenry County Transportation Funding on the agenda tonight

IML Report

- ~ There was no report.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable Report for June 2007. Trustee Menzel seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to approve a contract with Performance Paving for \$10,000. They will be patching areas on Lincoln, Algonquin and Hillcrest. Trustee Figurski seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to approve the purchase of a Vac Haul for \$142,500 and trade-in plus a balance of \$42,500 payable in May 2008. Trustee Figurski seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to approve removing the upstairs payphone. This**

phone costs the Village \$800/year. Trustee Bowman seconded. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to approve an optional \$5.00 parks donation on the Spring water bills. Trustee Figurski seconded.** Trustee Cramer suggested this as a way to collect donations for the parks. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion that the Village will not grant any permits to AT & T for Lightspeed prior to AT & T obtaining the ICC statewide authorization, without reimbursement of the Village's legal fees and our adoption of the IML model ordinance. Trustee Figurski seconded.** Woodstock wants A T & T to screen all sights and maintain them. Algonquin will allow screening, but Algonquin will maintain them. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

The Public Works Committee will review our Right-of-Way ordinance regarding landscape standards..

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

~ **Trustee Pelletier made a motion to refund all snow violations paid last winter with a letter explaining the procedure. Trustee Tuman seconded.** The violations could not be enforced. Attorney Naughton did not inform Superintendent Huizinga that the letter used was not sufficient and that a notice to appear/ticket was required. A legitimate court approved document must be used. Trustees Tuman and Figurski want to know if Attorney Naughton will reimburse his fees to the Village, since we followed his original instructions to pursue this. Administrator Osten will check. This motion was approved by a roll call of five yes votes. Trustee Figurski voted no.

~ **Trustee Pelletier made a motion to waive the \$3,000 sewer tap-on fee for 1200 Hillcrest Avenue. Trustee Cramer seconded.** This is just for the sewer line. Attorney Rosenthal stated that there may be a recapture on this. It was decided to table this motion today and send back to Public Works.

~ Mr. Ted Wagner asked if TIF Funds could be used for the curb on School Street. They can not.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Preferred Development applied to IDOT for a right in/right out on their Route 14 property. IDOT said it was too close to Walgreen's right in/right out and approved right out only. There was discussion that Preferred and River Pointe make a full access servicing both areas. Mr. Regopolous, the developer of River Pointe, will talk to the tenants of the condo association. He would like the Village to delay his obligation to place a sidewalk across River Pointe until the entire issue is resolved since the sidewalk would be affected by it.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Rosenthal's report is for Executive Session.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Laube explained to the Village Board that the McHenry County Council of Governments request for a resolution for transportation funding asks the state to restore funding for the Algonquin Western Bypass, provide equitable funding for McHenry County transportation improvements, and accelerate funding for McHenry County road improvements. **Trustee Pelletier made a motion to adopt a resolution for McHenry County Transportation Funding. Trustee Menzel seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six

yes votes.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Streets & Parks Garage Facility item already discussed. No further report.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

~ **Trustee Figurski made a motion to waive the park fees for the United Methodist Church. Trustee Bowman seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

President Laube stated that she attended the Cubmobile Derby held Saturday, July 14th. It was a great event and the Cub Scouts did a terrific job driving their cars.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Figurski made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:30 to discuss pending litigation and personnel. Trustee Bowman seconded. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. Trustees Bowman, Cramer, Figurski, Menzel, Pelletier and Tuman were present along with President Laube, Attorney Rosenthal, Chief Polston, Administrator Osten and Clerk Brouder. **Trustee Bowman made a motion to return to Village Board meeting at 9:15. Trustee Figurski seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. Present were Trustees Bowman, Cramer, Figurski, Pelletier and Tuman. Also present were President Laube, Attorney Rosenthal, Administrator Osten and Clerk Brouder.

ADJOURNMENT

~ **Trustee Bowman made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 9:16 p.m. Trustee Cramer seconded.** All were in favor.

Katherine A. Laube, Village President

Date Approved

Donna M. Brouder, Village Clerk