

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD
MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2008

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Laube called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 Lukasik, 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 the December 20, 2007 meeting. Trustee Pelletier seconded. The motion passed by a roll call of six yes votes.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

Present in the audience were residents Bob Nunamaker and Cindy Pilz; Kent Venema representing Talon Development; reporter Craig Whitney; Officers Cory Coss, Eric Waitrovich, Colin Gaffney, their family members, and Sergeant Domagala and Officer Draftz.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Trustee Figurski reported the following for the NWMC ~

- The meeting was January 9th. Com Ed's External Affairs Director Bill Voller attended. ComEd is still working on storm damage control. Need to know critical locations in each municipality – pump station, treatment plant and any senior homes.
- Director Randy Blankenhorn from CMAP spoke on congestion problems. They are recruiting to have more municipalities involved. Congestion periods will cost more and affect those that can least afford it.
- Thirty-four municipalities will be more affected and eighty communities will be less affected by changes in railroad traffic volume if Canadian National buys EJ & E tracks. It is very controversial – approximately 1,000 people attended a meeting at Makray Golf Course in Barrington regarding railway congestion.
- Al Larson is the NWMC Representative for the 2016 Olympics bid called Chicago 2016. Beware of others trying to represent the committee for their personal benefit/gain.
- Legislative Breakfast is Saturday, February 9th, 10 a.m. at the Radisson in Northbrook. There are three main points ~ growth in unfunded liabilities, public safety pensions, and existing burdens on taxpayers. March 12th or 13th is the target date for Legislative Day in Springfield. The Transportation Plan passed the House today for Metra seniors ride free. Now it has to pass the Senate.

Trustee Pelletier reported the following for McCOG ~

- Next meeting is Wednesday in Algonquin. Topic is new EPA Standards for Wastewater Treatment Plant.
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There is no report from IML. Everyone gets the newsletter they send and can mention items of interest as they wish.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

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

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$36,000 to Baxter & Woodman for the 08/09 Road Program Engineering. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$800 to Baxter & Woodman for the STP grant application. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to enter into a contract with Melrose Pyrotechnics in the amount of \$9,000 for July 12th Celebration. Trustee Cramer seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to enter into a contract for \$5,250 with Rosenthal, Murphey & Coblentz to update the Personnel Code of the Village of Fox River Grove. Trustee Menzel seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the Village Administrator to execute a power supply contract with the lowest responsible bidder. Trustee Cramer seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. This will be Resolution 2008-01.

~ **Trustee Tuman made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$67,427.63 to Curran Contracting for the Road Program Construction. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** This is the final payment. It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

~ The resolutions for mutual aid need changes. It was decided to return them to the Public Works Committee for review

~ **Trustee Pelletier made a motion to give Administrator Osten the authority to request bids from independent financial consultants for general financing options, but not for a specific project. Trustee Cramer seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Pelletier made a motion to revise the branch-chipping schedule from April to November beginning the first Tuesday of the month. Trustee Tuman seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Police Staffing will be discussed in Executive Session.

The following was reported ~

~ Moretti's Restaurant has the 3Chefs building under contract. It would be used as a kitchen and rooftop seating. They are planning on opening in July.

~ The Building & Zoning Department received the official results from the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Evaluation. The Village has moved to a Category 2. Currently, there are no communities in Illinois that have a better rating than Fox River Grove.

- ~ The Village has added four new officers to our police staff. They are Alex Panvino, Cory Coss, Eric Waitrovich and Colin Gaffney.
- ~ Sergeant Domagala is working with Sage Products to allow our Police Officers to use their workout facilities for free.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Rosenthal reported that Talon Guarantee Letters expire February 13, 2008 and they will need to be extended for another year. There are two items that need to be addressed. 1) There is a drainage issue in the parking lot. 2) Removal of the dirt that was placed on the Village's property. Attorney Rosenthal has sent a letter indicating the need for the letters to be extended by January 31, 2008. **Trustee Tuman made a motion to authorize the Village President, Village Attorney and/or the Village Clerk to initiate procedures on the Line of Credit. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** The motion was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Police Officers Coss, Waitrovich and Gaffney were sworn in and congratulated.

The Administrators contract will be discussed in Executive Session.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The downtown redevelopment tools was sent back to Finance Committee to decide which items they would like to pursue.

~ **Trustee Figurski made a motion to approve the Waste Management contract increase of 2.8%. Trustee Cramer seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ Five O'Clock Steak House have inquired about getting Village water. Administrator Osten prepared different formulas and recommends Formula #4 of 36,380 plus \$4,000 recapture. Attorney Rosenthal suggested adding a time frame in which time the cost would remain that amount. **Trustee Menzel made a motion to approve Formula #4. Trustee Pelletier seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. Administrator Osten will prepare a letter to send Five O'Clock Steak House.

~ Business Roundtable will be February 22nd at the Village Hall.

~ Planning & Economic Development Commission (PEDC) have been working on the following:

- Sharing parking spaces in the downtown district.
- Supporting businesses at Chamber events.
- Village beautification.
- Updating business e-mails.
- Logjams of downtown events and why they may fail.
- Inventory of downtown property.

President Laube stated the PEDC has done a lot of legwork for the Village. Their next meeting is Tuesday, January 22nd. Trustee Cramer complimented the Commission on their hard work.

Chief Lukasik reported that the 1986 Honda motorcycle the Village had seized was sold for \$885 on e-bay.

VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT

~ **Trustee Pelletier made a motion to approve the Sound Permit for Norge Ski Club events in January, June and September. Trustee Cramer seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

~ **Trustee Figurski made a motion to approve the Bonfire Permit for Norge Ski Club events in January, June and September. Trustee Bowman seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes.

Clerk Brouder suggested an insurance coverage requirement for liquor license holders naming the Village of Fox River Grove as an additional insured. Some other communities require it in order to receive their license. Clerk Brouder will find out the types and amounts of insurance and why they are requiring additional insurance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

~ **Trustee Menzel made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. Trustee Bowman seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. **Trustee Bowman made a motion to return to the Village Board meeting at 8:50 p.m. Trustee Cramer seconded.** It was approved by a roll call of six yes votes. A roll call was taken and all were present.

ADJOURNMENT

~ **Trustee Bowman made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 9:30 p.m. Trustee Cramer seconded.** All were in favor.

Katherine A. Laube, Village President

Date Approved

Donna M. Brouder, Village Clerk