

**VILLAGE OF FOX RIVER GROVE
PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY
DECEMBER 14, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Figurski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present at roll call were Trustees Figurski, Ireland, Knar and Menzel. Also present was Village Administrator Osten, Chief Lukasik, John Spurgeon and Deputy Clerk Majkrzak. President Nunamaker and PEDC Chairperson Mike Schiestel were in the audience.

APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 2, 2010 MINUTES:

Trustee Menzel made a motion to approve the Public Health & Safety meeting minutes of November 2, 2010. Trustee Ireland seconded. Roll call vote was taken – all in favor.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS

Chief Bob Kreher, 426 Hunter's Way – on behalf of the FRG Fire District
Rich Kreher, 411 Algonquin Rd - on behalf of the FRG Fire District
Bernie Arends, 4231 Linden Tree Lane – from the National Fire Sprinkler Association.

BUILDING & ZONING DEPARTMENT REPORT

John Spurgeon passed out the monthly report. Trustee Knar asked about 300 NW Hwy. The apartment is illegally occupied and John is taking photos and having the Police Department issue 2 tickets every day that he sees occupation. The lower portion of the 5 O'clock building has been blocked off so no one can get in but there has been no response from the bank to our certified letter. Adm. Osten stated that he will talk to our attorney to see about the next step. John Spurgeon explained that the Village could declare the building a nuisance and begin the process to have it condemned or issue daily violations if not repaired. Options will be discussed in January.

Zoning Case 2010-06: Variance 1140 Victoria Drive – Amy and Bob Ruer were in attendance. They would like to add a porch extension to the front of their house

which would be built 4'6" into the 30' setback. A zoning hearing was held and the ZBA recommended approval. The porch would not have impact on the visual of the other homes because of the house location and the setback. *Trustee Knar made a motion to recommend to the Board to approve ZBA 2010-06 variance for 1140 Victoria Drive.* Seconded by Trustee Menzel. Roll call vote was taken – all in favor.

Zoning Case 2010-08: Political Signs – Adm. Osten stated that the ZBA did not want to take any action. Our attorney feels that the law is poorly written and to wait to see what happens. The new law goes into effect 1-1-11. President Nunamaker stated that our current regulations don't affect political signs so the Village will not be in violation.

Zoning Case 2010-09: has been continued to 1-12-11 because not all property owners were notified. The property at 912 NW Highway has more than 1 PIN/owner. There are 126 PINs for this property which constitutes approximately 10 owners. Most buildings only have 1 PIN and because we are just learning how to work the system, it was not discovered till at the meeting. The ZBA is concerned about the number of parking spaces. Adm. Osten stated that the County permitted the building but that he went and counted the parking spaces and passed that info to the engineer. After the 1-12-11 ZBA hearing, the case could go to the January Board meeting. Trustee Ireland would like to see those buildings connected and exit onto Doyle Road. President Nunamaker suggested letting them use TIF money but was informed that River Pointe is outside the TIF district. Discussion was held on egress/ingress. When the original plan was submitted, they decided the bridge was too costly but it was suggested that it be re-visited now

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Lukasik passed out the monthly report. Trustee Knar asked the Chief if he was contacted immediately for the incident at 411 Algonquin. No – the next day. He would have been contacted immediately if they had fired their guns.

Bartender Bassett Training - Chief Lukasik received a call from the Illinois Liquor Commissioner and they would like towns to volunteer to require this training. He called 13 surrounding towns – 7 require some training and 6 require none. He would like to see the liquor license holder have this training as a requirement for a liquor license with the idea that they would then pass info on to their employees. Cost runs from \$10-\$35 for a 4-6 hour course. Training would help businesses recognize signs of overdrinking and ways to respond. President

Nunamaker received a call from the Commissioner and he took the course. It was very informative and he feels the businesses need this type of training. Chief Kreher asked if it would also include those with temporary liquor licenses such as the Fire District and the Lion's Club. Chief Lukasik responded that the Village could require that those with temporary licenses just have someone there that was trained. Huntley and Algonquin offer classes and they are also on the internet. LITH holds voluntary classes. It would cost \$1,000 for the Chief to become a "trainer". Trustee Ireland feels that all who serve alcohol should be trained or provide a certificate that they have gone through an internal certification program that meets the same requirements. Trustee Knar asked about those who sell packaged liquor. Dominick's has their own training program. Trustee Menzel would like to see what the State requires. Trustee Ireland would like more details – to see a plan. Trustees Knar, Menzel and Figurski would like to require that only the liquor license holder have training with this being a condition of having a liquor license and to include all license holders. *Trustee Figurski made a motion to move to have an ordinance developed to require training for owners and/or managers of liquor establishments.* Seconded by Trustee Menzel. Discussion ensued. Roll call vote was taken – all in favor. This will be on January agenda.

Ordinance: Redlight -- Enforcement – Chief Lukasik explained that this is an amendment to Ordinance 15-224. Violations must be reviewed/approved by a law enforcement officer and vehicles that come to a complete stop even if it is in the crosswalk not be given a violation unless there is a pedestrian or bicyclist present. Police Department has already been doing this but ordinance needs to be amended so it is in compliance with the statute. *Trustee Ireland made a motion to the Board to approve amending Ordinance Chapter 15, Article V, Division 4 "Automated Traffic Law Enforcement System Violations".* Seconded by Trustee Knar. Roll call vote was taken – all in favor.

Ordinance: Redlight – Administrative Adjudications – Chief Lukasik stated that the major changes needed are: time change from 71 days to 77 days for non-compliance and police department must have video proof of the violation. Amending this section will ensure that the Village is in compliance with the statute. *Trustee Ireland made a recommendation to the Village Board to approve amending Ordinance Chapter 2 Article XV, Sections 2-350, 2-353, 2-356, 2-357 and 2-361 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Fox River Grove.* Seconded by Trustee Knar. Roll call vote was taken – all in favor.

Ordinance: No Left Turn at METRA lot – This ordinance is to amend Chapter 15-91 to add no left turn coming out of the METRA lot north of Lincoln Avenue. This ordinance will go into effect March 1st to give police time to notify people using that lot. Trustee Knar is concerned that the Village is creating an ordinance after only one person complained, that this is not the way to govern, that nothing was done to mediate the problem before creating an ordinance. Chief Lukasik stated that he did look into the situation and there is a problem. *Trustee Ireland made a motion to the Village Board to approve Ordinance amending Section 15-91 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Fox River Grove to prevent vehicles exiting the METRA lot access driveway north of Lincoln from turning left onto Lincoln.* Seconded by Trustee Menzel. Roll call vote was taken – Knar – no; Menzel – yes, Ireland – yes, Figurski – yes. Trustee Ireland asked Chief Kreher if he remembered how long it has been that you couldn't make a left-hand turn out of the lot onto Algonquin Road. He responded that there weren't many cars back then and he can't remember how long. Trustee Ireland remembers it being that way for 25 years.

OTHER BUSINESS

Right-of-Way/Street Parking – Adm. Osten stated that this was brought to the Public Works meeting as to whether people should be parking on the right-of-ways, if allowed should it be on a pad or not, standards for pads and there are streets of different widths and should there be no parking on the very narrowest streets, alternate side parking on the medium narrow width streets and allowing parking on both sides if the streets are wide enough and prohibiting parking over the curb onto the grass. IMS did a survey of all Village roads and their conditions including photos of ROW. Staff will review and identify location of parking pads and use the survey to identify options of parking restrictions per road widths. Software is fairly new so Village would like to have IMS staff work with them to sort the roads by their widths and create a colored map showing which streets would have no parking, partial parking, alternative parking or no parking restrictions. IMS charges \$125 an hour and Adm. Osten is figuring it will take 4 hours = \$500. Discussion held. Chief Kreher responded that parking on the streets and not on the ROW could create a problem on some streets for the Fire District. *Trustee Ireland made a motion to the Village Board to approve IMS assisting us in software sorting not to exceed \$750.* Seconded by Trustee Knar. Roll call vote was taken – all in favor.

Commercial Fire Sprinklers– Chief Bob Kreher was in attendance as a follow-up to last month's discussion. He passed out sheets listing communities who have zero footage and reasons to have it. Trustee Ireland asked for clarification on the size of

line required if an older building is renovated. Most older buildings only have 1 inch water lines and a sprinkler system requires 4-6" lines. It would be a separate line running from the water main as the sprinkler system needs to be active at all times. Discussion was held as to what constitutes a major renovation such as Moretti's. Trustee Figurski asked about prices for lines. It depends on the type of pipe used. Copper is more expensive and is used for 2" lines. An engineer would have to determine what type/size of sprinkler system required based on size and type of business. Chief Kreher explained that dry systems are used in buildings that don't have heat as the water would freeze. Trustee Ireland agrees that the Village should require this for new buildings but would like the Village to determine the percentage for renovations and costs of systems/examples before agreeing to requiring sprinkler systems for renovations. Cost would be \$3-\$3.50/sq. ft. for a sprinkler system. Trustee Knar feels that a sprinkler system should only be required if the footprint of the building was changed not for interior renovations. Adm. Osten will contact other towns to see what their requirements are. President Nunamaker suggested requiring sprinklers for new buildings and for those buildings that increase their footprint by 50% and to exclude the businesses on Route 14. Current regulations require sprinklers for commercial buildings with apartments above. Trustee Figurski asked that the information on what other towns require be available 1 week prior to the January meeting. Bernie Arends stated that 180 towns currently have zero footage ordinances.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Menzel made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Knar. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Duane Figurski, Chairperson

Barbara Majkrzak, Secretary

Date Approved