

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF LONG GROVE
Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 7 P.M.
3110 RFD, LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS 60047-9613

CALL TO ORDER:

At 7:05 P.M. President Rodriguez called the February 28, 2012 Village Board Meeting to Order.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Village President:	Rodriguez
Trustees:	Marshall, Schmitt, Underwood, Wachs, Weber
Absent:	Barry
Village Clerk:	Schultheis
Also Present:	Village Manager Lothspeich

Call To Order: Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance

Sheriff's Report- Lake County Sheriff John Byrne said there had been several traffic accidents related to the recent snowstorm. He said that in response to complaints regarding speeders on Robert Parker Coffin Road, the Lake County Police Department issued several tickets. Sheriff Byrne also noted recent retail theft at Menards And passing bad checks in Long Grove shops.

Sheriff Byrne told the Audience about the new program in conjunction with SWALCO that will train sanitation workers as to the correct protocol to identify and report suspicious behavior while they are on their routes. – **No action was taken.**

Item: Homeowner Associations:

Creekside - Bobbie O'Reilly.

Eleanora Estates – Richard Eterno.

No one was present. Village Manager Lothspeich said that there were no updates from the HOA's.

THERE WERE NO ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**ACTION ITEMS:****Item #1: Report Of The February 15, 2012 Conservancy Scenic Corridor Committee Meeting.**

The CSCC considered the following item during their meeting.

CSCC 01-12. Consideration Of A Request To Construct A Berm Within A Scenic Corridor, Located At 2237 Stayton Lane, Within The R-2 PUD District, Ghazvini.

Trustee Weber moved to Approve Application CSCC 01-12 as recommended by the Conservancy Scenic Corridor Committee; seconded by Trustee Underwood.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Barry absent)

Item #2: Resolution Approving Annual Updates To Village Zoning Map.

As required by the Village Code, the resolution approves the annual updates to the official Long Grove Zoning Map. The proposed updates are limited to minor corrections and do not reflect any change in zoning. **Trustee Marshall moved to Approve a Resolution Approving the Annual Updates to the Village Zoning Map; seconded by Trustee Schmitt.**

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Barry absent)

Village Manager Lothspeich noted that this resolution was part of a mandated, annual requirement; and that there were no significant changes.

Item #3: Resolution Approving/Accepting SWALCO Sixty-percent (60%) Recycling Goal.

As a follow-up to the February 14, 2012 presentation by SWALCO Executive Director Water Willis, the draft resolution formally **[adopts] or [accepts]** the SWALCO 60% Recycling Tax Force Report and answer questions. All members of SWALCO will be asked to formally adopt/accept the goals by resolution. Due to the potential for unfunded mandates to our residents if the Report is adopted, the recommendation is for the Village Board to consider accepting the Report. – **Trustee Schmitt moved to Approve a Resolution Accepting the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) Sixty Percent (60%) Recycling Goal; seconded by Trustee Marshall.**

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Barry absent)

Item #4: Res. Authorizing Release Of Herons Landing SSA Bond & Prepayment Funds To Lake County.

The Herons Landing SSA For Lake Michigan Water bond directs the Trustee to remit the net bond proceeds to the County immediately upon the sale of the bonds. The County is to hold those proceeds in segregated accounts (one account for the proceeds of the tax-exempt bonds, and one account for the proceeds of the taxable bonds) and use the money for payment or reimbursement of project costs. Although it is not necessary for the Village to authorize the release of the bond funds to the County, the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) requires that the Village make a formal "Determination to Proceed" with the project before the County awards the contract. The Resolution provides that the Village has determined to proceed with the project upon award of the contract to the bidder recommended by the County, and acknowledges that the County may use the bond proceeds to pay for the project costs. Exhibit A is the bid Award Recommendation that the County provided. **Trustee Underwood moved to Approve a Resolution Authorizing the County of Lake to Proceed with The Herons Landing Lake Michigan Water Project; seconded by Trustee Wachs.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – absent; Marshall – aye; Schmitt – aye; Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – aye (Motion Carried 5 – 0; one absent)

Item #5: Ord. Amending Building Codes Re: Plumbing Requirements.

As directed during the January 10, 2012 Board Meeting, Village Counsel prepared a draft amendment to the Village Building Code to allow for the use of PVC piping underground. – **Trustee Marshall moved to Approve An Ordinance Amending Section 4-1-2 Of The Long Grove Village Code Relating To Use Of PVC Pipe In Private Sanitary Sewer Systems; seconded by Trustee Schmitt.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – absent; Marshall – aye; Schmitt – aye; Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – aye (Motion Carried 5 – 0; one absent)

Trustee Marshall described how this piping will help save money in the long run, and that it was a superior form of piping.

Item #6: Village President Rodriguez.

A. IL Route 53 Extension – Update. Staff will be representing the Village during the upcoming March 5, 2012 CMAP Workshop. For Further information of the Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee, go to the following site online: <http://www.illinoistollway.com/construction-and-planning/community-outreach/illinois-route-53-120-blue-ribbon-advisory-council> - President Rodriguez said that discussions have been good. Village Manager Lothspeich will be attending the March 5th meeting. Village President Rodriguez issued a letter to the Board that will be given to the Co-Chairmans of the Blue Ribbon Committee expressing the Village's concerns. These concerns include flooding because of the impervious surfaces that are proposed for the extension of Rte 53. She also said that our potable water might be affected by the flooding that might ensue. She assured the Board that the Village of Long Grove was a voice at the table as far as discussions concerning the environmental impact of the Route 53 extension. – **No action was taken.**

B. Residential Electricity Aggregation Referendum – Update. Staff participated in the February 21, 2012 meeting with the Village of Buffalo Grove and the other members (consisting of 7 communities) to further review the aggregation effort and prepare for the first public meeting scheduled for that evening in Arlington Heights. Staff attended the public meeting which was attended by approximately fifty interested attendees. The majority of those in attendance applauded the efforts of the communities and encouraged the Village's to consider green alternative energy sources as much as possible. The consortium noted that if the referendum is approved, there would be an "opt-in" option for each resident to consider choosing a "green option". There were several outspoken attendees that objected to the concept of "government" choosing for the residents (since it an "out-out" program) and their concerns of possible negative impacts on the number of alternative energy providers. The next public meeting is scheduled to be held at the Village of Buffalo Grove on Wednesday, February 29 at 2:00 p.m.- Village Manager Lothspeich attended the first of three scheduled meetings and said that most of the communities are in favor of the referendum. Village Manager Lothspeich said that the goal of the Village is to secure the lowest possible

electricity prices. There will be an opt-in alternative for those who want a “green” alternative. – **No action was taken.**

C. Long Grove Arts & Music Council – National Endowment Of The Arts – Our Town Grants. The materials provided at the request of Arts & Music Council Director Tobin Fraley as part of their partnership with the Stevenson High School Foundation for application for an “Our Town Grant”. As part of their application, the Arts Council is requesting \$2,500 funding by the Village for year 2012 and \$5,000 funding for year 2013. – Long Grove Arts and Music Council Representative Bob Denaro gave a brief presentation of the grant that the Council is trying to secure. The National Endowment for the Arts grant called “Our Town” was offering matching funds up to \$100,000 in grant money. As the Long Grove Arts and Music Council is not a 501(c)3 charitable organization, Long Grove would partner with Stevenson High School. The LGAMC will be a tertiary partner. There is a hope that this partnership will not only produce grants but will allow for workshops for students aspiring to be artists or musicians. The LGAMC will be applying for a \$25,000 grant. He noted that based upon past numbers, the LGAMC has an 11% chance of getting a grant. In order to proceed with the grant process the LGAMC is looking for a statement from the Village Board verifying that cultural activities are part of the Long Grove image and acknowledge that the Village has seen a growth in interest in cultural events.

No action was taken.

D. Board/Commission/Committee Appointments. – President Rodriguez requested approval of Bill Pelton as Plan Commissioner and Jason Kupferschmid as Plan Commissioner Secretary. **Trustee Schmitt moved that Bill Pelton be Approved as Plan Commissioner and Jason Kuperschmidt be Approved as Secretary for the Plan Commission; seconded by Trustee Wachs.**

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Barry absent)

Item #7: Village Trustee Barry.

Village Trustee Barry was not in attendance.

A. Discussion Of The Draft Village Of Long Grove Fiscal Year 2012/13 Budgets. Due to the delays in providing the initial draft of the budgets along with Trustee Barry not being in attendance for the upcoming meeting, the public hearing date has been moved back from March 13, 2012 to the April 10, 2012 Village Board Meeting. – Each Trustee voiced concerns and questions regarding Budget issues. – **No action was taken.**

B. Pathway Committee Meeting – February 17, 2012 – Buffalo Creek Forest Preserve Update. The Pathway Committee reviewed the electronic board packet materials during their meeting and recommend that the Village sent the Lake County Forest Preserve a letter supporting their proposed improvements to their property located immediately west of Buffalo Creek and immediately east of the Village Soccer Fields. Please note that these plans include the proposed use of the Village Soccer Fields parking lot in order to minimize duplicative parking in exchange for the installation of a “comfort station” on the Village Soccer property. The Pathway Committee recommends that the Village’s support include the requirement for the installation of a drinking fountain by the comfort station. If the County is agreeable to these requests, cross-easements and other intergovernmental agreements will be necessary. – It was noted that as long as this has no effect on the ability to sell the soccer fields, the general consensus was that the Trustees liked the idea. – **No action was taken.**

Item #8: Village Trustee Marshall.

Nothing to report. No action was taken.

Item #9: Village Trustee Schmitt.

Solid Waste Agency Of Lake County (SWALCO) Board Meeting – February 17, 2012. – Trustee Schmitt said that the Village will be receiving \$8200 from Fourth Quarter recycling. She also said that the Electronic Recycling event will take place on April 14 in the morning. She said that the new caveat in the event is that it will include many communities. – **No action was taken.**

Environmental Committee – Trustee Schmitt will be going to the Hawthorn Woods Environmental Meeting to view what types of actions they are taking. – **No action was taken.**

Vernon Area Drop Box – Trustee Schmitt noted that there had been increased interest in drop box usage. – **No action was taken.**

Item #10: Village Trustee Underwood.

Survey Results – Trustee Underwood said that the survey has produced a good turnout. There have been 380 responses and there has been an increase in residents signing up for Connect CTY and The Bridge. Trustee Weber said that the results will not tallied and analyzed until March 9, 2012. – **No action was taken.**

Item #11: Village Trustee Wachs.

Roadway Analysis - Update. Village Trustee Wachs and Village Trustee Marshall met with Village Engineer ESI, Village Roads Commissioner Small and Staff on February 21, 2012 to discuss the various alternatives. Further information will be provided for Village Board discussion as these reports are finalized. – Trustee Wachs said that that the first town hall meeting that the Village is planning should focus on roads and road maintenance.

SWALCO/Lake County Sheriff Connection – Trustee Wachs said that there should be a press release regarding the SWALCO/Police Department connection – **No action was taken.**

Item #12: Village Trustee Weber.

LGBCP Board Meeting – February 21, 2012. Trustee Weber and Staff represented the Village during the LGBCP Board Meeting – Trustee Weber said that the LGBCP is considering VIP parking during festivals to keep traffic moving more smoothly. She also said that Career Builders will be posting a request for a Downtown Coordinator. Trustee Weber added that the LGBCP intended to have a Residents Day on June 10th. – **No action was taken.**

Item #13: Village Clerk Schultheis.

Nothing to report. No action was taken.

Item #14: Village Manager Lothspeich.

Communications – Village Manager Lothspeich mentioned that other municipalities have begun using dedicated iPads as a way of disseminating information amongst the Board and Staff. These are easier to use as a dedicated device as well as easier to carry to meetings. – **No action was taken.**

Item #15: Village Planner Hogue.

Not Present.

Item #16: Village Attorney Filippini.

Not Present.

Item #17: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes.

February 14, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes. – Trustee Wachs moved to Approve the Board Minutes for February 14, 2012, as amended; seconded by Trustee Weber.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Barry absent)

Village Policy – Procedural Statement – General Fund Minimum Reserve Policy - Village President Rodriguez said that the current minimum reserve policy calls for a reserve balance that shall be equal to 100% of the projected and actual total revenues (excluding Enterprise Fund revenues). She suggested that the reserve policy needed to be more realistic. She said if the Board agreed, then the policy should be revisited. – **No action was taken.**

Item: Executive Session.

At 8:30 PM, Trustee Marshall moved to go into Executive Session to discuss (1) Executive Session Minutes; Personnel Matters; and Litigation; seconded by Trustee Wachs.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – absent; Marshall- aye; Schmitt – aye; Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – aye (Motion carried 5 – 0; one absent)

At 8:36, Trustee Marshall amended his motion to go into Executive Session to include discussion of Acquisition and Disposition of Property; seconded by Trustee Wachs.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – absent; Marshall- aye; Schmitt – aye; Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – aye (Motion carried 5 – 0; one absent)

Item: Other Business.

February 14, 2012 Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes. Trustee Schmitt moved to Approve the

Executive Session Minutes of February 14, 2012, as amended; seconded by Trustee Weber.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Barry absent)

Item: Adjournment.

At 9:03 PM; Trustee Marshall moved to Adjourn; seconded by Trustee Underwood.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Barry absent)