

VILLAGE OF LONG GROVE
3110 RFD, ILLINOIS 60047-9613
MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF LONG GROVE
Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 7 P.M.
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CALL TO ORDER:

At 7:03 P.M. President Rodriguez called the March 27, 2012 Village Board Meeting to Order.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Village President: Rodriguez
Trustees: Barry, Marshall, Schmitt, Underwood, Weber
Trustees Absent: Wachs
Other Staff Absent: Lothspeich, Hogue
Village Clerk: Schultheis
Also Present: Village Counsels Gates and Filippini

Call To Order: Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance

Item: Lake County Sheriff's Report. – Not present. No report.

Item: Homeowner Associations:

: Highland Pines - Brian Spencer. – No one was present. No action was taken.

Preserve At Long Grove – Marc Downs. –HOA President had nothing to report- No action was taken.

Item: Lake County Sheriff's Report. – Not present. Nothing to report.

Item: Special Event Applications:

The Long Grove Business and Community Partners (LGBCP) recommended approval of the following events.

The following events can be approved by the single motion: **Trustee Underwood moved to approve**

The following Special Event Applications and Temporary Signage for the Year 2012 as recommended by the Long Grove Business and Community Partners during the March 20, 2012 Meeting:

Long Grove Electronics Collection – April 14, 2012; Beans and Leaves: “Live Music” – April through

October, 2012; Arts & Music Council Sunday Concerts – July 8 through August 26, 2012; Chocolate

Fest – May 4 through 6, 2012; Framer's Market – June 10 through October 14, 2012 (Sundays);

Strawberry Fest - June 22 through June 24, 2012; The Village Tavern Veterans Event – July 29, 2012;

Fine Art and Wine Fest – August 18 through 19, 2012; The Village Tavern Tent – September 1 through

3, 2012, September 21 through 22, 2012, & October 6 through 7, 2012; World Tour Downtown –

September 1 through 3, 2012; Apple Fest – September 28 through 30, 2012; and The Village Tavern

Oktoberfest – October 13 through 14, 2012; seconded by Trustee Weber.

VOICE VOTE:

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

THERE WERE NO ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

ACTION ITEMS:

Item #1: Ordinance Establishing Municipal Parking Lot Use Regulations.

Village Counsel Filippini prepared a draft ordinance establishing regulations for the use of the Municipal Parking Lots in response to the LGBCP's desire to utilize the entire Archer Parking Lot for their use, including charging parking fees. Under the draft ordinance the temporary use approval is to be granted (if at all) to the event applicant. The authorization by the Village Board provides the applicant the exclusive use of the parking lots (or portions thereof) and it would be for the applicant to allow (or prohibit) use by vendors. – **Trustee Marshall moved to Approve an Ordinance Establishing Municipal Parking Lot Use Regulations; seconded by Trustee Underwood.**

Use Regulations; seconded by Trustee Underwood.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – aye; Marshall – aye; Schmitt – aye; Underwood – aye; Wachs – absent; Weber - aye

(Motion carried 5 – 0; one absent).

Item #2: An Ordinance Establishing The Capital Infrastructure Fund.

Village Counsel Filippini prepared the draft ordinance creating a Capital Infrastructure Fund (CIF). This ordinance (and the fund so created) is not the result of a statutory requirement, but is being proposed to assist the Village Board in its overall budgeting efforts. – **Trustee Schmitt moved to Approve an Ordinance Establishing the Capital Infrastructure Fund; seconded by Trustee Marshall.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Item #3: Village President Rodriguez.

A. Residential Electricity Aggregation Referendum – Update. The referendum was approved in Long Grove by a vote of 700 (62%) to 430 (38%) and was approved by all of the seven communities participating in the consortium. As the lead community, during their March 19, 2012 Board Meeting, the Village of Buffalo Grove approved the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Municipal Aggregation program to seek a supplier of electricity for residential and small commercial customers. The Village of Buffalo Grove sent the following invitation with the enclosed Request For Proposal (RFP) to Forty (40) electricity suppliers. –

President Rodriguez said that the referendum passed by 62%. It was noted that there would be two public hearings – the April 10 and April 24 Board Meetings. Village Counsel Filippini said that the next steps in the process would be statutory and practical. He said that the consortium was seeking to bid on a yield and contract. He added that the Board always could opt for independent action if it were not felt that the deal results benefitted the Village. He noted, however, that other municipality consortiums were realizing upwards of 30% savings. – **No action was taken.**

B. IL Route 53 Extension – Update. Village President Rodriguez participated in the Environmental Committee of the Blue Ribbon Advisory Council and will provide a brief report during the upcoming Board Meeting.

<http://www.illinoistollway.com/construction-and-planning/community-outreach/illinois-route-53-120-blue-ribbon-advisory-council> - **There was no update. No action was taken.**

C. Board/Commission/Committee Appointments. – Trustees Schmitt and Underwood noted that there were more volunteers registering. President Rodriguez said that various commissions might be looking for new volunteers. Further discussion would be needed. – **No action was taken.**

Item #4: Village Trustee Barry.

A. Continued Discussion Of The Draft Village Of Long Grove Fiscal Year 2012/13 Budgets. The DRAFT budget is being revised to accommodate the requested changes/comments raised during the first review during the March 13th Board Meeting. The draft version of the Budget was made available to the public on March 14th and posted to the Village's web page. The Public Hearing is scheduled for the April 10, 2012 Village Board Meeting. -

Proposal From Village Engineer ESI For NPDES MS4 Compliance -

June 10, 2011 Manager Report. Resolution Approving NPDES II – MS4 Year 8 Report.

The proposed National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) II – MS4 Year 8 Report continues the approach followed for the first 7 years, developing a plan for implementing various goals toward final compliance. The NPDES permit needs to be submitted to the IEPA. Most of this continues to piggyback on the countywide efforts. **Motion approving A Resolution Approving the Village of Long Grove National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES II) – MS4 Year 8 Report. - CONTINUED.**

The cost has still not been determined. It is an unfunded mandate that will have to be addressed. The Board was uncertain as to the amount that would need to be put in the budget to cover the required expenses. Village Counsel Filippini said that he would check with other communities to see what they had allocated in their budgets. It was noted that the mandate related to storm water that filters into receiving streams. The EPA has determined that even municipalities are responsible for any pollutants that enter American waterways. Just as a placeholder, the Trustees allocated \$25,000 in the budget.

President Rodriguez noted that after the April 10th Budget Public Hearing, the Village Board could pass the Budget, if the Board desired. The Board discussed various budget items. It was noted that the final tally, at this point, showed \$187,000 to cover \$214,000 worth of budgetary items. There were some specific items of discussion:

Website: Trustee Weber talked about the reorganization of the Village website. The consensus of the Board was to continue working on revamping the website and adding new features.

IL 53 Extension: It was decided that much of the education regarding developments on the Route 53 Extension could be done on the website. The consensus was to reduce in the Budget from \$10,000 to a \$1,000 place holder.

LGBCP Grant: LGBCP President Perkel discussed how the LGBCP hoped to get an incremental allocation of grant funds for specific focus in three areas – Hometown Events, Design, and Economic Development. The LGBCP was requesting a \$35,000 grant (\$20,000 grant + an additional \$15,000).

Long Grove Arts and Music Council: Chairman Fraley said that there were more children's events being scheduled. Chairman Fraley requested that the Village Board grant the Council \$6000.

Teasel Eradication: It was noted that despite the best efforts of the Village, the teasel came back. The mowers that are used for maintaining public property are unintentionally spreading the teasel. There was a suggestion that the HOA's needed to develop a plan to become more proactive in their own subdivisions. There also was the suggestion that the teasel budget be lowered from \$7500 to \$1000. The \$1000 could be given to the Park District, if they so desired, to be used for spraying.

Continued Discussion Of A Downtown Economic Development Matching Grant Program. Long Grove Business and Community Partners Economic Development Chair Ed Acuna prepared a draft materials for consideration for the establishment of a formal Downtown Economic Development Matching Grant Program. Other communities with historic downtowns have or at once did have similar programs that provide for matching funds as reimbursement for capital improvements to the property. These programs focus on grants to offset capital improvements as investments in the downtown. If a grant is awarded, the Village reimburses the property owner for improvements that bring a building into fire/building/ADA compliance, façade improvements, streetscape improvements and painting (at lower percentage than other long-term improvements) in an effort to improve the properties for not only the new tenant but also to make the properties that much more appealing and easier for future tenants to occupy the building. – Village Council Filippini said that because this area is a TIF District, the Village Board could take some sort of action, and use the TIF to reimburse the Village. Chair Ed Acuna said that the Downtown area needed to find ways to “incentivize” property owners and businesses. It was unclear as to what amount the LGBCP was suggesting, so the Board kept the Budget figure at \$20,000, but subject to change.

It was decided that certain items, such as the Generator, two PC's and email server, and Water spigots were necessary items. These were to be paid for from the 2011/12 budget.

Village Signs: The Board decided to lower the budget cost of \$50,000 for Village-wide signage. It was decided that the Village would commit to one sign, not two. The budget for the signage would be cut in half to \$25,000.

No action was taken.

Item #5: Village Trustee Marshall.

Trustee Marshall said that he had received emails from contractors lauding Village for approving pvc piping as the standard. – **No action was taken.**

Item #6: Village Trustee Schmitt.

The Bridge – Trustee Schmitt said that *The Bridge* was ready, and that the April 15th copy would be the last in the old format.

SWALCO Board Meeting – March 22, 2012. Trustee Schmitt represented Long Grove during the March 22, 2012 SWALCO Board Meeting. – Trustee Schmitt said that the Village would be getting monthly, not quarterly, checks from Waste Management. She also said that the larger recycling bins were available for free through the end of March.

Food Scrap Recycling – Trustee Schmitt said that she will be taking a tour of the food scrap recycling facility. She said that anyone interested in taking the tour with her would be welcome.

Drop Box – Trustee Schmitt said that Trustee Marshall had inspected the damaged drop box and believed that it could be salvaged, saving thousands of dollars to have it replaced. She noted that when the drop box is restored, the parking space opposite the drop box will be eliminated to prevent anyone else from backing into the drop box.

Electronics Recycling Event – The electronics recycling event will be on April 14, 2012 in the Archer lot.

No action was taken.

Item #7: Village Trustee Underwood.

Nothing to report. No action was taken.

Item #8: Village Trustee Wachs.

Absent.

Item #9: Village Trustee Weber.
Nothing to report. No action was taken.

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Item #10: Village Clerk Schultheis.
Nothing to report. No action was taken.

Item #11: Village Manager Lothspeich.
Absent.

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Item #13: Village Planner Hogue.
Absent.

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Item #14: Village Attorney Filippini.
Nothing to report. No action was taken.

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Item #15: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes.
March 13, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes. Trustee Marshall moved to Approve the March 13, 2012 Board Minutes, as amended; seconded by Trustee Underwood.
VOICE VOTE:
All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Wachs absent)

March 17 2012 Special Board Meeting Minutes. Trustee Marshall moved to Approve the March 17, 2012 Special Board Meeting Minutes, as amended; seconded by Trustee Weber.
VOICE VOTE:
All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Wachs absent)

Item: Executive Session.
At 9:22 PM, Trustee Underwood moved to go into Executive Session too discuss (1) Executive Session Minutes; (2) Threatened Litigation; (3) Personnel Matters; (4) Litigation and (5) Acquisition and Disposition of Property; seconded by Trustee Weber.
ROLL CALL VOTE:
Barry – aye; Marshall – aye; Schmitt – aye; Underwood – aye; Wachs – absent; Weber- aye
(Motion carried 5 – 0; one absent)

Item: Other Business.
March 13, 2012 Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes. – Trustee Weber moved to Approve the March 13, 2012 Executive Session Minutes, but not for public release; seconded by Trustee Schmitt.
VOICE VOTE:
All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Wachs absent)

Item: Adjournment.
At 10:01 PM, Trustee Schmitt moved to Adjourn; seconded by Trustee Weber.
VOICE VOTE:
All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 5 – 0; Trustee Wachs absent)