

VILLAGE OF LONG GROVE
MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF LONG GROVE
Tuesday, June 24, 2008 at 8 P.M.
3110 RFD, LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS 60047-9613

CALL TO ORDER:

President Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Village President: Rodriguez
Trustees: Acuna, Barry, Hannon, Schmitt
Trustees Absent: Lazakis, Wachs
Village Clerk: Schultheis
Also Present: Superintendent Block, Village Manager Lothspeich, Village Engineers Witkowski and Chiczewski and Village Counsel Furr

President Rodriguez discussed the success of the Strawberry Festival. She also said that there would be a musical concert on Sunday, June 30, at 4:00 P.M. at Towners Green. – **No action was taken.**

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS/ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Fairfield Village - Athena Merageas. – Present, but with no additional comments necessary. – **No action was taken.**

Lakes of Long Grove – Jack Demes. – No one was present. No action was taken.

Recognition Proclamation: Vernon Area Public Library Director Allen Meyer.

President Rodriguez read a proclamation formally recognizing the twenty years of service of Allen Meyer as Vernon Area Public Library Director. During his tenure the library's items increased from 50,000 to 300,000. President Rodriguez said that the recognition ceremony will be held for his family at the next Library Board Meeting. – **No action was taken.**

Gypsy Moth: Barbara Turner passed around gypsy moth caterpillars to warn the residents that gypsy moths were in the area and that they attack oak trees. – **No action was taken.**

Report On Status Of Checker Road Sanitary Sewer Lift Station.

In an effort to address the continued questions and concerns expressed by residents during the June 10, 2008 Board Meeting, Village President Maria Rodriguez, Trustee Ted Lazakis, Village Superintendent Bob Block, Village Engineer Joe Chiczewski and Staff met with Lake County Public Works Representative Russ Rietveld; Manhard Engineering Representative Tracy Richards, Menard's Representative Jeff Sheehan and Pease Construction Owner Jon Pease on Tuesday, June 17, 2008.

– Tracy Richards of Manhard Engineering was part of the discussion and presentation. President Rodriguez began the discussion by telling the audience that this project would be of community benefit; and that all possible sites were researched. She said that the issues that were addressed were safety-engineering-odor-noise-screening. Village Engineer Chiczewski said that there was no perfect site, because of various factors; but that the site being studied would be of greatest value to the area subdivisions by allowing the possibility of connection to sanitary sewer by residents. The area under consideration was most viable because of a) the right of way that the Village had, b) contractor could maintain the line and grade; and c) it was an area that could support the building of a lift station. The audience was reminded that neither the lift station nor the sewer system was being maintained by the Village, but instead by Lake County Public Works. Trustee Barry had said that a path system was being put in during construction from Rte 53 to Checker Road. Manhard Engineer Tracy Richard said that the lift station would be 220 feet from the "S" curve, and that it would have no impact on the pond. Resident Bingham said that he knew of no one on Country Club Drive that wanted sewer system access. Manhard Engineer Richards said that the County wanted a gravity line and believed that there would be less disruption of

traffic along Checker Road – The residents present disagreed.

There was a discussion regarding distance of the lift station to the wetlands. Trustee Hannon believed that the lift station might not be within the minimum forty feet required. Village Engineer Chiczewski said that the maps are superseded by the conclusions of the Independent Wetlands Specialist.

Trustee Hannon also stated that she did not like the location of the lift station because it impacted the aesthetics of the area (and area in which the over half of the residents of the subdivision lived).

Resident Cardella of Country Club Meadows said that he was “vehemently opposed” to the location, and suggested that the Forest Preserve location on the south side of Checker be used. President Rodriguez responded that the Forest Preserve had been approached and had indicated it would deny the request.

President Rodriguez said that the plans for the lift station had not been finalized.

Resident Toby Kriss of Edgebrooke Downs encouraged the Village to consider the safety issues of Schaeffer Road.

Residents in the audience felt that the “cons” of having a lift station on Checker Road were never fully explored, and handed the Board a list of the issues that they thought made the proposed North Side of Checker Road East of Country Club Drive a less viable location for a lift station.

Trustee Schmitt suggested that the Village go back to Lake County Forest Preserve and again request the right to use Forest Preserve property for the lift station.

Residents of the former proposed lift station site at the Schaeffer Road berm expressed their concern that residents along the most recently proposed Checker Road lift station site were unfairly trying to change the lift station site back to Schaeffer Road at the expense of their neighbors near Schaeffer Road.

Resident Pence said that his property abutted the proposed lift location and he echoed the issues that he believed made this location particularly offensive to residents in the area.

Residents presented the Village President with a signed petition of their concerns. – **No action was taken.**

ACTION ITEMS:

Item #1: Report Of The June 16, 2008 Architectural Commission Meeting.

- A. Subdivision Identification Sign For The *Promontory Ridge Subdivision* Located At Hampton Drive And Route 22, Promontory Ridge HOA. *Approved.*
- B. Signage For *Elenis Boutique*, 3970 Route 22 (Long Grove Commons), Building “B”, Sakoufakis. *Approved.*
- C. Elevations For Building “D” (*CVS Pharmacy*) Of The Sunset Grove PUD, Mid-America Development Company. *Continued.*
- D. Modifications To The Approved Landscaping Plan For The *Long Grove Commons PUD*, Route 22 & Old McHenry Road, Cloverleaf Group. *Approved.*
- E. Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments. *Continued.*

- Village Manager Lothspeich noted that there was nothing to report, and that this was the first meeting since the Ordinance approving the change of the name and duties of the former Architectural Board and allowing Trustees to appeal decisions of the Architectural Commission.
- Trustee Barry noted that *Eggsperience* did not have enough parking spaces. Superintendent Block noted that the parking lot required spaces for 60 employees of *Eggsperience* and the *Spa* – **No action was taken.**

Item #2: Ordinance Granting Preliminary Approval For Steeple View Estates PUD.

As directed during the June 10, 2008 Board Meeting, Village Counsel Filippini prepared a draft ordinance approving the proposed nine (9) lot subdivision on 18.36 acres as recommended by the Plan

Commission. As the Applicant was in the midst of addressing concerns raised during the public hearing, the Board concurred that approval of the Ordinance should be continued – **CONTINUED.**

Item #3: Ordinance Amending Long Grove Commons PUD Re: Additional Parking and Drive-thru. As directed during the June 10, 2008 Board Meeting, Village Counsel Filippini prepared a draft ordinance approving the proposed additional parking and drive-thru facility. Village Manager Lothspeich noted that a minor amendment had been provided to the Board clarifying that the approval authorized a menu board for the coffee shop subject to approval of the location and design of the Architectural Board – **Trustee Schmitt moved to approve an Ordinance Approving Amendments to the Final Planned Unit Development for the Long Grove Commons Development; seconded by Trustee Hannon.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Acuna – aye; Barry – aye; Hannon – aye, Lazakis – absent; Schmitt – aye; Wachs – absent.

(Motion carried 4 – 0 ; Two Trustees absent).

Item #4: Resolution Approving IL Route 22 Scenic Corridor Easement For 4514 Red Oak.

The resolution will approve a ten (10) foot wide scenic corridor easement along the length of Route 22 and North Krueger Road for the purpose of extending Village ownership rights to strengthen both the Residents and Village's position in restricting the width of the planned expansion of Route 22 to the narrowest footprint possible. – *It was noted by President Rodriguez that neighboring property owner David Kapov (northwest corner of N. Krueger and IL Rt. 22) should be publically commended for his efforts in supporting the Village's efforts to obtain these easements.*

Trustee Schmitt moved to request approving a Scenic Corridor Easement Between The Village of Long Grove and Ted and Jacque Grkovich, 4514 Red Oak; seconded by Trustee Barry.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays. (Motion carried 4 – 0; Trustees Lazakis and Wachs absent).

Item #6: Village President Rodriguez.

A. Amendment(s) To Village's Stormwater Management Ordinance. Although there were numerous conversations and correspondence from Village Engineer Chiczewski relative to concerns about the 6'-7' "bounce" (normal water level vs. high water level) with recommendations for maintaining a 3'-4' bounce as other developments in Long Grove have maintained, MidAmerica Representative Mike Firsel continues to challenge the recommendations from Engineer Chiczewski. Mr. Firsel most recently stated that the detention area could not be modified to reduce the bounce below 6' and that a further reduction to 5.4' could only be achieved by adding underground stormwater vaults that were too expensive for the project to support without Village financial support. Mr. Firsel offered to pay a portion of this additional cost and suggested that the Village waive \$160,000 in permit fees (tree replacement and building) to help defray this additional expense.

It should be noted that this issue was raised by the Village well in advance of the preliminary approvals and Manhard Engineering provided a February 20, 2008 memorandum to the Village shortly prior to the Village Board granting preliminary approvals that identified the Village Engineer's concern over this issue. – Village Engineer Chiczewski briefly discussed the issue of "bounce" being the difference between the high water and normal water level; and that a catastrophic storm every 100 years (100 year storm) did not mean that there was only going to be one major storm every 100 years but that there was a 1% chance of a 100 year storm *every* year. Trustees discussed the issue of limiting the bounce and what other communities were doing. They also said that Menard's has a five foot bounce. – **DEFERRED. Direction to get more information.**

B. Buffalo Creek Reservoir Update. As directed during the June 10, 2008 Board Meeting, Village President Rodriguez will be sending the Lake County Forest Preserve, IDNR, MWRD and the Army Corp a letter formally objecting to the Army Corp issuing permits for the construction of the levee prior to the resolution of the compensatory storage issues at Buffalo Creek and reiterating the Village's support of the specific plan and amenities presented two years ago. – President Rodriguez told the Trustees of the disappointment to hear that the Army Corps of Engineers was looking at Wheeling – a spot they had originally considered. – **No action was taken.**

C. Pathway – Senator Peterson had commended the Village for moving forward on the Pathways. – **No action was taken.**

D. Resignation: - Architectural Commissioner John Staub has resigned after twelve years as Chairman. – **No action was taken.**

Item #7: Village Trustee Acuna.

A. Menard's Sanitary Sewer Construction. Village Engineer ESI, Village Superintendent Bob Block and Staff continue to discuss Menard's construction schedule with contractor Pease Construction. Menard's and Pease have been reminded that the signs warning of construction starting soon and an informational meeting with the affected Residents is being scheduled for June 30 or July 1. Menard's is awaiting final permits from IDNR and plan to start construction as early as July 7. – **No action taken. Previously discussed during meeting.**

B. Mardan Drainage Study. An informational meeting with the affected neighborhood is being coordinated through the HOA Presidents during the first week in July. – Village Engineer Chiczewski said that there was a Drain Tile Study started. – **No action was taken.**

Item #8: Village Trustee Barry.

A. Pathways – Trustee Barry said that the Pathways Committee was looking for pathway specifications and that builders would need specifications – **No action was taken.**

B. Bird Flu – Trustee Barry gave an update on Bird Flu. – **No action was taken.**

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Item #9: Village Trustee Hannon.

UBS Banking/Investment Agreement – Discussion. Village Trustee Hannon and Staff met with UBS Representatives on June 9, 2008 to discuss the possibility of moving the Village's banking and investing from JP Morgan Chase. – Trustee Hannon said that by moving the funds from Chase to UBS there would be a greater return for the Village's investments. The Village Board will need to approve the change in banks. President Rodriguez requested more information about the potential switch in banks; and about the bonds held at National City Bank.

Trustee Hannon moved to approve request for a draft resolution to change investment banks, seconded by Trustee Barry.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays.

(Motion carried 4 – 0; Trustees Lazakis and Wachs absent)

Item #10: Village Trustee Lazakis.

Not present. No action was taken.

Item #11: Trustee Schmitt.

- A. The Bridge – Trustee Schmitt said that *The Bridge* had been mailed out. – No action was taken. – **No action was taken**
- B. SWALCO – Trustee Schmitt said that an agreement on commercial recycling should be forthcoming. She said that a draft ordinance for future commercial recycling should be considered. Village Manager Lothspeich said that we cannot mandate businesses to recycle. It was also mentioned that schools are considered commercial, not residential; and there was interest in setting up a separate category for schools, so that the Village might be able to help schools recycle. – **No action taken.**
- C. Rain Barrels – Trustee Schmitt would like to see the issue of whether or not we can waive the taxes on rain barrels be put on the next agenda. – **No action taken.**
- D.

Item #12: Village Trustee Wachs.

Not present. No action was taken.

Item #13: Village Clerk Schultheis.

Nothing to report. No action was taken.

Item #14: Village Manager Lothspeich.

Nothing to report. No action was taken.

Item #15: Village Superintendent Block.

Menard's – Superintendent Block said that the concrete was being put in, and that Menard's was about one month behind schedule. He also said that the black dirt removed from the site had been sold, and that was why there was a lot of truck traffic. – **No action was taken.**

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Item #16: Village Planner Hogue.

Not present. No action was taken.

Item #17: Village Attorney Furr.

Nothing to report. No action was taken.

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Item #18: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes.

June 10, 2008 Minutes – There were substantive changes. – **CONTINUED.**

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Item: Executive Session.

At 10:55 P.M.; Trustee Schmitt moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Executive Session Minutes, Personnel, Litigation and Acquisition and Disposition of Property; seconded by Trustee Barry.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Acuna – aye; Barry – aye; Hannon – aye; Lazakis – absent; Schmitt – aye; Trustee Wachs –

absent.

(Motion carried 4 – 0, two Trustees were absent).

Item: Other Business.

June 10, 2008 Executive Session Meeting Minutes. – **CONTINUED.**

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Item: Adjournment.

At 12:01 A.M.; Trustee Barry moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Trustee Schmitt.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays.

(Motion carried 4 – 0; Trustees Lazakis and Wachs absent)