

David Lothspeich

From: billjacob@comcast.net
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 8:47 PM
To: mr4159@gmail.com
Cc: David Lothspeich; Dave Pepping; Beth bronstein; Fuhs, Debbi
Subject: Fwd: BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 2.26.13 - CANCELLED

Maria,

I appreciate the fact that you scheduled a meeting to review with the HOA presidents the planned revenue generation ideas that the village board has put together. I'm also glad it was rescheduled since I did not make it home until the next day because of the snow storm.

However, in light of the fact that our community has been very fiscally responsible and has continue to build reserves for our roads, it is very disappointing that we will again be asked to pay more in taxes for someone else. A few years ago the Mundelein Park district annexed our property with out our vote resulting in a \$ 900 per year bill for my family personally, the state of Illinois increased our tax rate to 5% and now our village is looking to assess a tax mainly to pay for the repair of roads for homeowners that have not had to be responsible for the up keep of their own roads. So you can imagine that most of the homeowners in our community are not happy with where this is headed. In addition, I'm assuming that many of these homeowners that currently aren't responsible for their roads have built up equity in their houses that is significantly greater than what we have in our homes. So most likely these homeowners could afford to repair their own streets.

I obviously don't have all of the facts yet but in my opinion what every the village decides to do, the homeowners that our benefiting most from the tax increase should pay a higher tax rate than those that are getting nothing. Additionally, the village should pursue public / federal funding if you have not already plus consider other financing options including municipal bonds to get the village through the cash crunch.

Finally, long term the village will need to put in place a revenue plan that goes beyond just taxing the hard working residents of the community. This is because the more we are taxed, the less we are able to spend on our families for the necessities of life including our kids education. I know I'm stating the obvious but \$ 1000 here and \$ 500 there and so on is real money that will cause us all to sacrafice somewhere else.

I welcome more conversation on this topic and I will attend the meeting next week to represent my community of 140 homeowners.

Thank you,

Bill Jacob
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From: "Sherry Shlagman" <sshlagman@longgrove.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 1:58:24 PM
Subject: BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 2.26.13 - CANCELLED



February 26, 2013

Due to the extreme weather conditions, the Village Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. this evening is cancelled.

Please note that all of the agenda items (including the HOA Presidents Presentation) from the February 26, 2013 agenda will be carried over to the next regular meeting on March 12, 2013. The Village Board again extends an invitation to the HOA presidents to attend the meeting where we will be discussing the financing options for the funding of roadway maintenance and improvements.

Sincerely,

Maria Rodriguez

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David Lothspeich

Sent: Monday, February 25, 2013 5:25 PM
To: David Lothspeich; 'Charlie Wachs'
Cc: Maria
Subject: RE: Invitation to Board of Trustees Meeting 2-26-13 - RSVP REQUESTED

FYI

From: Sherry Shlagman
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 8:43 AM
To: David Lothspeich
Subject: FW: Invitation to Board of Trustees Meeting 2-26-13 - RSVP REQUESTED

See response.

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From: Spencer, Brian [mailto:bspencer@cfindustries.com]
Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 5:29 PM
To: Sherry Shlagman
Subject: RE: Invitation to Board of Trustees Meeting 2-26-13 - RSVP REQUESTED

I will be out of town on the 26th, and thus unable to attend to represent Highland Pines. I will forward this to the other HPHA Board members.

Just a couple of quick points. HPHA maintains our development roads, including snow plowing. Costs associated with our roads account for just over 80% of our associations total annual costs. Most of this cost is to fund a road reserve, so we have money available to repave the roads when needed. I know that some Long Grove associations have their roads plowed and maintained by the Village. While I have always had a bit of a problem with that, I understand that is the way it was when I moved into Long Grove 19 years ago. Going forward, I would have a hard time seeing my direct property taxes go up to directly pay for road maintenance in other neighborhoods while I am still paying ever year for Highland Pine roads. If the current arrangement were to continue, I think there would be a significant amount of resistance across the Village to adding property taxes on to some people, specifically to maintain other people's roads.

From: Sherry Shlagman [mailto:sshlagman@longgrove.net]
Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 2:33 PM
Subject: Invitation to Board of Trustees Meeting 2-26-13 - RSVP REQUESTED



February 15, 2013

Dear HOA Presidents,

Having hosted three Town Hall Meetings last year, the Village Board is inviting all of the HOA Presidents to the upcoming Village Board Meeting on Tuesday, February 26th at 7:00 p.m. (Village Hall, 3110 Old McHenry Road). The purpose of this meeting is to share information with and have discussion with the HOA Presidents about the Village's financial gap in regards to adequately being able to fund the required maintenance and replacement of our roads.

The attached letter, summary and presentation are provided in advance of the meeting to further familiarize all with the issues and potential solutions. For further information, all are encouraged to review the presentations from the 2012 Town Hall meetings that are available on the Village's website (<http://www.longgrove.net/Government.htm>. Scroll down to approximately the mid-point of the webpage).

The Village Board will take into account the information gathered from the on-going discussions with Long Grove residents (HOA Presidents Meeting, 2012 Town Hall Meetings and numerous Regular Board Meetings) in deciding what the Village's next step will be, including the possibility of going out for a village-wide referendum question for a roadway maintenance property tax.

Please feel free to share this information with the residents of your HOA. Please note that due to room size/occupancy limitations, the meeting attendance is limited to the HOA President or their representative. If need be, the Village Board may host additional Town Hall Meetings that would accommodate the attendance from all interested residents. Please email your RSVP to Administrative Assistant Sherry Shlagman (sshlagman@longgrove.net).

Thank you in advance for your interest and participation.

Sincerely,

Maria Rodriguez

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