

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF LONG GROVE
Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 7 P.M.
3110 RFD, LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS 60047-9613

CALL TO ORDER:

At 7:00 P.M. President Rodriguez called the December 13, 2011 Village Board Meeting to Order.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

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

Call To Order: Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance

Item: Visitors' Business: Homeowner Associations:

Deerwood Estates – Greg Wadowski.-

Woodbine – Craig Smith.-

There was no one present and nothing to report.

THERE WERE NO ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

ACTION ITEMS:

Item #1: December 6, 2011 Plan Commission & Zoning Board Of Appeals Meeting.

The Plan Commission & Zoning Board Of Appeals considered the following items during their meeting. PUBLIC HEARING - Continuation; Special Use Permit For A Planned Unit Development (PUD), Reclassification Of Property To The HR-1 Zoning District, Preliminary & Final (Phase I) PUD Plan/Plat Approval To Allow Redevelopment Of The Property Under The "HR-1" District Regulations With Requested Relief To Allow Property Located At 4180 Illinois Route 83, And Commonly Known As "*The Executive House*", To Redevelop As "The Executive House PUD" Under HR-1 "Highway Retail". (*Continued*)

Item #2: Village President Rodriguez.

A. 2012 Village Board Meetings Calendar. At the request of Village President Rodriguez, this item is included for re-consideration of moving the 2nd meeting in September to avoid conflicting with Yom Kippur. If the Village Board is agreeable to amending the meetings calendar, - President Rodriguez felt that the Village Board should reconsider altering the meeting date to accommodate the Jewish community. As there were Trustees who could not attend a different date; cancelling the meeting was discussed.

Trustee Wachs approved an amendment to approved Village of Long Grove Board Meeting Dates and Times Calendar for 2012 to cancel the September 25, 2012 Meeting; seconded by Trustee Marshall.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 6- 0)

B. Residential Electricity Aggregation Referendum – Update. Staff participated in the November 29, 2011 meeting with the Village of Buffalo Grove and the other communities to further explore the possibility of aggregating the eclectic usage of all the communities into a single bid to increase the value of the bid to further reduce rates. The public information materials have been posted on the Village's web site and a community outreach was sent through Connect Cty informing residents of the upcoming referendum and directing them to the Web Site for details. – Village Manager Lothspeich said that the group is moving ahead, and that they are seeking a consultant to review the electrical providers. He added that the goal is to limit costs so that the cost is not more than \$5000 per community. – **No action was taken.**

C. Village Board Goals Status – Quarterly Report. The draft quarterly report has been updated based upon the responses from Trustees to the December 2, 2011 email and the discussions during the September 27, 2011 Board Meeting – Trustee Weber mentioned that the Barrington Chamber of Commerce has active participation with the legislators in Springfield, and that Representatives speak at their meetings. President Rodriguez agreed that there was a value communicating with the legislators directly.

It was also noted that Long Grove Business Community Partners would be meeting on December 20, 2011 at the Village Tavern at 5:30 PM.

Trustee Weber told the Board that Timmy's Sandwich Shop and The Spa had closed; and that The Keeping Room would be closing in December.

Trustee Schmitt discussed the athletic field update. She said the ELA had shown some interest.

Senior Retirement Housing – Trustee Schmitt said that she had spoken with the owners of the Geimer Property. Trustees Marshall and Schmitt said that they wanted to get more involved with this project.

Trustee Barry discussed environmental issues. He said the Park District had hired a part-time grant consultant. It was suggested that the best way to leverage knowledge on these grants would be to hire someone who would only be paid if the Village received a grant. This person would also be responsible for getting to know the legislators.

Pathways- Trustee Barry said that this committee was using a great deal of volunteer labor; as there were very few funds available.

Trustee Underwood said that the Eagle Scouts would be willing to volunteer.

Survey – Trustee Underwood said that there was no progress since the last meeting. They were waiting to hear from Ted Lazakis to make certain that the survey questions do not overlap or conflict. President Rodriguez said that she had spoken with Ted Lazakis and that more discussion was needed.

Trustee Wachs discussed updating email lists. He believed that the Village should first compile a list and then allow residents to opt out.

Infrastructure Plan – It was discussed that while the Village plan called for spending \$1 million on road maintenance, only \$225,000 was being spent currently. Trustee Wachs believed that at some point there was going to be a need for a tax referendum if infrastructure is to be maintained. It was decided that this discussion would be on the January, 2012 agenda. It was believed that in order to make road repairs there would be a need for a certain dollar amount per household.

Streetscape update was that there was no money to fund any budget for Streetscape.

Trustee Marshall said that approaching developers was difficult, as the Village had a past history as not be development-friendly.

Village Hall – Trustee Marshall said that the consensus among residents was that they did not want money spent on changing the Village Hall's location. It was noted however that there were reasons that warranted moving the Village Hall.

Fire Alarm System – There was direction from the Board to direct counsel to meet the January deadline to expend funds for the fire alarm system. **Trustee Marshall moved to Approve an Ordinance Amending Building and Fire Codes RE: Downtown Fire Alarm Requirements & Installation Deadlines; seconded by Trustee Wachs.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

(Motion carried 6- 0)

Trustee Marshall noted that there have been 28 permits granted for generators. He asked the Board whether or not they wanted to know the dollar amount on the permits issued. The consensus of the Board was that would be beneficial.

Alternate Revenue Sources –President Rodriguez said that she was looking into revisiting the Buffalo Creek watershed project. She said that there was talk about wetland banks in which communities could purchase wetland credit – this is part of a federal program.

53 Extension – President Rodriguez said that there was going to be a meeting on January 24, 2012 for advisors to draft what they believed the road would look like. She said that part of the discussion would include the impact that the road extension would have on the environment.

No action was taken.

C. TIF Joint Review Board (JRB)/Board/Commission/Committee Appointments. The Tax Increment Finance District is required to have annual audits and meetings through the TIF Joint Review Board (JRB). Although the annual audits have been completed as required, the JRB did not meet last year to review the 2008/09 TIF Audit. In order to correct this oversight, a JRB meeting is proposed to be held in January 2012. Prior to scheduling a meeting, the membership of the JRB must be appointed by the Village President with the advice and consent of the Village Board. The JRB membership is required to consist of a Village Trustee (Ted Lazakis) and an At-large community member (Nicholas Fasano). It is suggested that Trustee Weber be appointed as the Village Trustee member and former Trustee Lazakis be appointed as the At-large member. Please note that the JRB is required to meet again to review the 2009/10 TIF Audit once finalized with the JRB meeting again in February. The original JRB members included – Update given.

Item #3: Village Trustee Barry.

A. Treasurer Report For November 30, 2011. – **Trustee Barry moved to Approve the Treasurer's**

Report for November 30,2011; seconded by Trustee Schmitt.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

(Motion carried 6- 0)

B.Actual and Budget Comparisons For Period Ending November 30, 2011. For informational purposes only, no motion required.

C.2010/11 Village Budget – 6 Month Year To Date Update. An update will be provided during the upcoming Board meeting.

D.Fiscal Year 2012/13 Proposed Budget Hearing Schedule. In order to incorporate the YTD expenditures through January, the proposed budget hearing schedule has been tentatively proposed as follows:

- (1) December 13, 2011 Board Meeting. Call for committee Budgets (submit no later than January 11, 2011);
- (2) January 24, 2012 Board Meeting. Initial review Draft Budget for Public Hearing/Comment during first board meeting;
- (3) February 14, 2012 Board Meeting – Public Hearing of Budget, and
- (4) February 28, 2012 Board Meeting – Approval of Budget. – President Rodriguez said

that there were two invoices from different annual memberships that she would want to discuss at the budget meetings.

Item #4: Village Trustee Marshall.

A.Monthly Building Department Report. – Update given.

B.Amending Building & Fire Codes Re: Downtown Fire Alarm Requirements & Installation. In response to concerns raised by Green Courte, Trustee Marshall, EMA Coordinator Small and Staff met with Long Grove Fire Protection District Representative Mike Schmitt and Walt Lovelady to discuss possible alternatives for consideration by the Village Board. While the Fire District stated that they would not support amending the Code for liability reasons, there was agreement that wireless systems as are currently allowed for residential properties by Code would provide comparable protections as the required hard wired systems for commercial properties. Although there are UL Approved wireless systems for residential properties there are currently not any such systems approved for commercial properties. – **Voted upon previously in the meeting.**

Item #5: Village Trustee Schmitt.

SWALCO- Trustee Schmitt said that she would be attending a December 15, 2011 meeting; and would provide a follow during the January 10, 2012 meeting. – **No action was taken.**

Item #6: Village Trustee Underwood.

Nothing Further to Report.

Item #7: Village Trustee Wachs.

Nothing Further to Report.

Item #8: Village Trustee Weber.

Nothing Further to Report.

Item #9: Village Clerk Schultheis.

Nothing to Report.

Item #10: Village Manager Lothspeich.

Nothing to Report.

Item #11: Village Planner Hogue.

Not Present.

Item #12: Village Attorney Filippini.

Not Present.

Item #13: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes.

November 22, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes. Trustee Marshall moved to Approve the November 22, 2011 Board Minutes; seconded by Trustee Weber.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 6 – 0).

Item: Executive Session

At 9:04 P.M., Trustee Barry moved to go into Executive Session to Discuss (1) Executive Session Minutes; (2) Personnel Matters;(3) Litigation; and (4) Acquisition and Disposition of Property; seconded by Trustee Schmitt.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**Barry –aye; Marshall –aye; Schmitt – aye; Underwood- aye; Wachs- aye; Weber-aye
(Motion carried 6- 0)**

Item: Other Business.

***November 22, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes.* – Trustee Barry moved to Approve the November 22, 2011 Executive Session Minutes, but not for Public Release; seconded by Trustee Wachs.**

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 6 – 0).

Item: Adjournment.

At 9:28 PM, Trustee Wachs moved to Adjourn; seconded by Trustee Marshall.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 6 – 0).