



**MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF LONG GROVE
Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at 7 P.M.
3110 RFD, LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS 60047-9613**

CALL TO ORDER:

At 7:02 P.M. Village Clerk Schultheis called the November 13, 2012 Village Board Meeting to Order.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Village President (Pro Tem): Underwood
Trustees: Barry, Marshall, Wachs
Absent: President Rodriguez, Trustees Weber and Schmitt
Village Clerk: Schultheis
Also Present: Village Manager Lothspeich

At 7:02PM, Village Clerk Schultheis asked for Motion for a President Pro Tem for the November 27, 2012 Village Board Meeting.

Trustee Wachs moved to nominate Trustee Underwood as President Pro Tem of the November 27, 2012 Village Board Meeting; seconded by Trustee Barry.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 4 – 0; Trustees Weber and Schmitt absent)

Call To Order: Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance

Visitors' Business:

Homeowner Associations:

Old McHenry Road – Charlie Wachs. – President Pro Tem Underwood asked that for the sake of the Audience Trustee Wachs' Report would be moved up. The consensus of the Board was to do so.

Continued Discussion Of Financing Options For The Funding Of Roadway Maintenance &

Improvements. – A resident in the audience said that he did not like the concept of a tax based upon the net worth of the home. He noted that most houses built before 1979 were smaller and on public streets and that the houses built later were on private streets and larger. Therefore, they would be taxed disproportionately. He believed that there should be a flat tax, if one were levied.

Resident George Yaeger wanted to know how many homes were affected by a potential tax?

Trustee Wachs said that there were approximately 2700 properties including commercial properties.

Trustee Wachs said that the next meeting would include discussion of legal ramifications of private versus public roads.

Resident Terry Crowley asked if private roads would be able to opt out of any deal.

Trustee Wachs said that no private road could be made public without the consent of the residents on that road, but that the issue was the public road maintenance. He said that 2/3 of the public roads were thoroughfares, and only 1/3 residential public roads. Village Manager Lothspeich gave a brief history of how roads were made public prior to the 1980's when the streets were rural, country lanes.

He noted that by the late 1970's, The Village could no longer afford the financial burden of maintaining public roads without a tax. That shifted subdivisions to private roads.

Resident Karen Crowley asked why some public roads were bermed off.

Village Manager Lothspeich said that there were only three or four roads bermed off because the public roads, through no fault of the residents had become cut-through roads between highways and towns.

Trustee Barry said that when Schaeffer was closed, the Country Club Meadows was made public to allow traffic flow around the berm. Similar situations occurred on Port Clinton and Arlington Heights Roads. It was noted that these roads were closed off to save residents from traffic developments that they did not create.

Resident in the audience said that nothing could be 100% fair.

Village Manager Lothspeich and the Board agreed that there was a fairness issue that would have to be addressed.

No action was taken.

Promontory Pointe – Morry Glicksman. – No one was present. No action was taken.

Sheriff's Report - Sergeant Anthony Parisi said that there had been a break-in at a residence in Beaver Run, and that there were positive leads. It was also noted by Arts and Music Commissioner Fraley that there were two incidents in Downtown Long Grove. There had been a shoplifting incident and a lockkey stolen. – **No action was taken.**

THERE WERE NO ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE.

ACTION ITEMS:

Item: Visitors' Business: Special Event Application: Downtown Carriage Rides.

Trustee Barry moved to Approve the Requests by the Long Grove Business and Community Partners for Approval of Downtown carriage rides as a special event and the waiver of the required \$100 annual Village permit fee; seconded by Trustee Wachs.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – aye, Marshall – aye; Schmitt – absent; President Pro Tem Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – absent

(Motion carried 4 – 0; two absent)

Item #1: Report Of The November 26, 2012 Architectural Commission Meeting.

The Architectural Commission (AC) considered the following items during their meeting. – Village Manager Lothspeich gave a brief overview of the issues. They did not require action from the Board.

- A. Signage For Rosin Eye Care, Building B At Sunset Grove, 4196 Route 83, Fastsigns.
- B. Landscape Lighting At Woodland Grove Gallery, 217 RPC, Foresite Realty Mgmt.
- C. Signage Illumination For The Long Grove Cafe, 235 RPC, Hristakos.

No action was taken.

Item #2: Resolution Approving Liability Insurance Through BRIT Insurance.

As directed during the November 11, 2012 Board Meeting, the resolution authorizing the entering into an agreement with Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc. for liability. – Representatives from Gallagher were in the audience. Village Manager Lothspeich gave the history of the Village's eight year relationship with its current insurance company, noting that the insurer has sued the Village on certain occasions when the Village was due coverage for a claim. Village Manager Lothspeich said that the current insurer was also raising the rates. The Board noted that

Gallagher had shopped the Village's needs and reduced the premiums. As part of its due diligence, Village Manager Lothspeich said that the Village Counsel had not known of any instances where Gallagher had mishandled a claim. **Trustee Wachs moved to Approve a Resolution Authorizing The Execution Of A Client Authorization To Bind Coverage & Compensation Agreement As Proposed By Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc. For Liability Insurance; seconded by Trustee Marshall.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – aye, Marshall – aye; Schmitt – absent; President Pro Tem Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – absent

(Motion carried 4 – 0; two absent)

Item #3: Ord. Further Amending Building & Fire Codes Re: Downtown Fire Alarms.

In September 2009 the Village Board adopted the new Fire Code and postponed the requirement for the installation of an automatic fire alarm and detection system (System) in the Historic Downtown until January 1, 2011. – Village Manager Lothspeich said that the code would affect downtown properties that did not have alarms up to code. The consensus of the Board had been to roll back the deadline. After Village Manager Lothspeich met with the fire marshalls, they suggested that the Village eliminate the need for commercial grade alarms, as temporary ones would have to be removed. Trustee Wachs said that the Village should send a signal to the property owners that they would not have to meet the 1/1/13 deadline. It was decided to wait until the next meeting to Approve an Ordinance. - **CONTINUED**

Item #4: Ordinance Adopting Tax Levy For SSA #2 – Long Grove Commons.

The tax levy ordinance for the Long Grove Commons SSA, including the updated special tax roll. As provided in the establishing ordinance, the special tax roll amounts include a 3% increase from last year's levy, there were no new building permits in 2012 for the development (increase from \$15,164.46 to \$15,619.39). Long Grove Commons has constructed 4 of the 6 buildings approved for the development with 2 vacant out lots remaining. – Village Manager Lothspeich said that every year there were tax levies for the areas of the SSA that were not 100% retail. The increase in the amount is tied to the CPI. Trustee Wachs asked if the Village might not ignore the increase due to the economy. President Pro Tem Underwood noted that Long Grove Commons had not requested relief. The consensus of the Board was not to offer relief. – **Trustee Barry moved to Approve an Ordinance Approving a Tax Levy for the Village of Long Grove Special Service Area #2 for Long Grove Commons; seconded by Trustee Marshall.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – aye, Marshall – aye; Schmitt – absent; President Pro Tem Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – absent

(Motion carried 4 – 0; two absent)

Urban Tandoor – Trustee Barry said that travelling east on Route 22, the driveway to turn into Urban Tandoor was not well lit and dangerous. He suggested a lighted sign. Village Manager Lothspeich said that the Village was encouraging Urban Tandoor to consider better signage. He said that Village Planner Hogue would contact the restaurant. – **No action was taken.**

Item #5: Ordinance Adopting Tax Levy For SSA #3 – Historic Downtown Business District.

The tax levy ordinance for the Historic Business District SSA, including the updated special tax roll. The special tax roll amounts provided by the LGBCP are slightly less than last year (reduction from \$165,006.00 to \$165,000.00). – **Trustee Barry moved to Approve an Ordinance Approving a Tax Levy for the Village of Long Grove Special Service Area #3 for the Historic Business District;**

seconded by Trustee Wachs.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – aye, Marshall – aye; Schmitt – absent; President Pro Tem Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – absent

(Motion carried 4 – 0; two absent)

Village Manager Lothspeich said that the SSA was a mechanism for all merchants to pay into to support activities.

Item #6: Ordinance Adopting Tax Levy For SSA #4 – IL 83 Water System.

As the third year of this levy, the special tax roll amounts applied to each individual tax parcel for the 2010 tax levy for all the IL 83 SSA is set to defray the bond payments for the upcoming year as follows. – **Trustee Wachs moved to Approve an Ordinance Approving a Tax Levy for the Village of Long Grove Special Service Area #4 for the IL 83 Water System; seconded by Trustee Marshall.**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – aye, Marshall – aye; Schmitt – absent; President Pro Tem Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – absent

(Motion carried 4 – 0; two absent)

Item #7: Village Board of Trustees Meeting Dates Calendar For Year 2013.

Statute requires approval of an annual calendar of meetings. All Village Boards, Commissions, and Committees are required to approve similar calendars. **Trustee Wachs moved to Approve the Village of Long Grove Board Meeting Dates and Times Calendar for the Year 2013; seconded by Trustee Marshall.**

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 4 – 0; Trustees Weber and Schmitt absent)

Item #8: Village President Rodriguez.

Absent

A. IL 53 Extension. - Village Manager Lothspeich said that CMAP had taken interest in this project and was looking for ways to finance this and other projects – **No action was taken.**

B. Aptakasic Road Widening - First Public Meeting November 28, 2012. The Lake County Division Of Transportation (LCDOT) informed the Village on November 15, 2012 that the first public informational meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 28, 2012

[Aptakasic Road Widening](#)

[Public Information Meeting - November 28th From 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm.](#) – **No action was taken.**

Item #9: Village Trustee Barry.

Pathway Committee Meeting - November 16, 2012. Village Trustee Barry, Village Trustee Underwood and Village Planner Hogue met and discussed the following items during their meeting:

(1)State of Illinois Grants; (2) Village Pathway Map Updates; and (3) Google Maps. – Trustee Barry said that the State of Illinois had made partial payment on the grant money that had been approved four years previous. The two grants amounted to about \$100,000. The money could only be used for the two projects for which the grant was given, but that the Village was waiting to see if it could go in with the state on their proposed widening of Old 53 (which would extend the pathway to Long Grove Road.

Other pathway projects included the extension from Stonehaven to Willowbrook gravel path.– **No**

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action was taken.

Item #10: Village Trustee Marshall.

No report. No action was taken.

Item #11: Village Trustee Schmitt.

Absent

Item #12: Village Trustee Underwood.

No report. No action was taken.

Item #13: Village Trustee Wachs.

Continued Discussion Of Financing Options For The Funding Of Roadway Maintenance & Improvements. – Discussed earlier of the meeting.

Item #14: Village Trustee Weber.

Absent.

LGBCP Annual Meeting - Village Manager said that there would be a meeting at Bill's Long Grove Café at 8:30 AM on November 30. – **No action was taken.**

Item #15: Village Clerk Schultheis.

No report. No action was taken.

Item #16: Village Manager Lothspeich.

Website – Village Manager Lothspeich said that the Village was ready to send the website out for bid. Trustee Wachs thought that there were still issues outstanding. – **No action was taken.**

Item #17: Village Planner Hogue.

Absent.

Item #18: Village Attorney Filippini.

Village Counsel Filippini will be in attendance during the regular meeting.

Item #19: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes.

November 13, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes. – Trustee Marshall moved to approve the November 13, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes; seconded by Trustee Barry.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 4 – 0; Trustees Weber and Schmitt absent)

Item: Executive Session.

At 8:05 PM; Trustee Marshall moved to go into Executive Session to Discuss (1) Executive Session Minutes; (2) Litigation; and (3) Acquisition and Disposition of Property; seconded by Trustee Barry.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Barry – aye, Marshall – aye; Schmitt – absent; President Pro Tem Underwood – aye; Wachs – aye; Weber – absent

(Motion carried 4 – 0; two absent)

Item: Other Business – Approval Of Executive Session Meeting Minutes.

November 13, 2012 Executive Session Meeting Minutes. – Trustee Marshall moved to Approve the

Executive Session Minutes from November 13, 2012, but not for public release; seconded by Trustee Barry.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 4 – 0; Trustees Weber and Schmitt absent)

Item: Adjournment.

At 8:59 PM, Trustee Barry moved to Adjourn; seconded by Trustee Marshall.

VOICE VOTE:

All ayes, no nays (Motion carried 4 – 0; Trustees Weber and Schmitt absent)