

November 10, 2009 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at the Village of Hainesville Council Chambers by Mayor Linda Soto at 7:00 p.m. Chief Heidecke led the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed by a moment of silence in recognition of Veterans Day.

Clerk Kathy Metzler took roll call. The following Officials were present: Mayor Linda Soto, Trustees Walkington, Daley, Barrett, Duberstein, Tiffany and Derenoski

Also present were: Chief Fred Heidecke, Village Clerk Kathy Metzler, Deputy Clerk Roseann Stark, Treasurer Kelly Hensley, Building Official Russ Kraly, Public Works Supervisor Jeff Gately, Village Engineer Greg Gruen, Village Planner Al Maiden and Village Attorney Scott Puma

Establishment of quorum

Agenda Approval

Trustee Duberstein motioned to approve the agenda; seconded by Trustee Barrett.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Walkington, Daley, Barrett, Duberstein, Tiffany and Derenoski

Motion carried.

Public comments:

Prairieview PTO Request

Becky Jakubowski from the Prairieview PTO was unable to attend the meeting. Mayor Soto reported that the Prairieview PTO is asking for a cash donation for their annual Mitten Tree Program. The PTO stated in their letter that this holiday wish list program will not interfere with the Village's Shop with a Cop.

Trustee Barrett motioned to approve a \$300 donation to the Prairieview PTO Mitten Tree Program; seconded by Trustee Daley.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Walkington, Daley, Barrett, Duberstein, Tiffany and Derenoski

Motion carried

Lynn Tiffany, Hainesville, IL 60030 – Lynn Tiffany presented a check to the Chief for Shop with a Cop on behalf of the Tiffany family.

Omnibus Vote Agenda

1. A Motion to Approve the October 27th, 2009 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. A Motion to Approve the November 2009 Bills Payable
3. 2008 Squad Payoff of Loan #401022508-56480 \$13,213.66
4. 2009 Squad Payoff of Loan #401022508-58206 \$16,171.72
5. Authorized Check Signers
6. An Ordinance for the Amendment of the Agreement Establishing the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, Illinois
7. Neopost Folding and Inserting Machine

Trustee Walkington motioned to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Barrett.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Walkington, Daley, Barrett, Duberstein, Tiffany and Derenoski

Motion carried.

Trustee Daley noted that by paying off the two squad cars early the Village saved \$2,700 in interest.

Reports and Communications from Mayor and other Officers:

Mayors Report

Mayor Linda Soto introduced the three representatives for IDOT, Marty Buehler, Paula Trigg and Jeff Hall. The purpose of their visit is to do a power point presentation on the three year 120 Bypass Unified Vision study. It will be a nice way to summarize everything that is going on. The Village has altered some wording of the Resolution supporting the 120 Bypass. There is an added statement that user fees should not be used for funding anything less than an expressway.

Mayor Soto reported that Halloween turned out to be a cold and windy day. Many people liked the hours of Trick or Treating but next year may explore other options. The Mayor thanked the Police Department, EMA and Jeff Gately for their help on Halloween.

Clerks Report

Clerk Kathy Metzler reported that all newsletter articles have been submitted to Jill Koch and a draft should

be available in the next few days. Kathy also read and distributed an invitation to the Mayor and Trustees from the Round Lake Area Exchange Club. They should RSVP to the Mayor or Kathy if they plan to attend.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Kelly Hensley reported that the Tax Levy Resolution is under Business. A Public Hearing on the tax levy will be on December 8th at 6:30 p.m.

Police Chief

Chief Fred Heidecke reported on another burglary which took place at Hair Snips. Approximately \$3,200 was taken. They are working with other area police departments in an attempt to identify suspects.

Chief also stated that Triton Electronics came out to calibrate the department's radar units. They were all found to be in good working order.

On October 28 and 29 the Chief and Officer Sean Kelly went to Prairieview School to give a Halloween Safety Presentation. He also noted that Officer Kelly has been at the school whenever he is scheduled to establish a presence there.

The Chief also noted that interviews for a full and part time police officer have been taking place.

Chief Heidecke also updated the Board on Shop with a Cop. So far they will be able to serve 33 children from Hainesville.

The Chief also stated that he along with Jeff Gately met with Firestone owners regarding the maintenance agreement for the squad cars. Each squad car was inspected and is up to date.

Trustee Daley asked the Chief if the department has advised Hair Snips as to better safety precautions. The Chief stated that the owner has been informed on how to make the cameras more effective.

Building Official

Building Official Russ Kraly had nothing to report.

Public Works Superintendent

Public Works Superintendent Jeff Gately reported that the Hainesville Road Bike Path has been mowed.

His helper, Ben, has also weed wacked the area and will also be picking up garbage along Hainesville Road. Jeff also reported that the final mowing will take place this week.

Jeff Gately also stated that he will have more under Business. He also noted that the street sweeper will be cleaning the streets on Thursday.

Attorney

Attorney Scott Puma informed the Board that he is working on small projects for the Village.

Village Engineer

Village Engineer Greg Gruen reported that property lines at Cranberry Lake were staked out. Greg, the Mayor and the Round Lake Park Mayor met to discuss drafting a joint letter to send to the Round Lake Park residents. Mayor Soto stated that our Village will send letters to our residents and the Mayor of Round Lake Park will send letters to her residents that surround Cranberry Lake. Greg also stated that we will find out in December if we are to receive the \$5,000 grant from Storm Water Management. He also stated that under business there will be two proposals for catch basin work.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Finance – Trustee Daley reported that he has not heard back from the auditors. A corrected Tax Levy Resolution has been distributed to the Trustees.

Public Works – Trustee Walkington had nothing to report.

Public Safety – Trustee Barrett stated that EMA assisted the Police Department with Trick or Treating. There will be an article on winter safety in the newsletter. Mayor Soto added that Jill Koch will be doing the article as a pull out worksheet.

Wetlands and Open Spaces – Trustee Duberstein stated that her report will be under Business.

Community Events – Trustee Tiffany stated that he and his wife, Lynn, were asked to co-chair District 46 Basketball Showdown between the faculty members of three schools on November 18th, 7 p.m. at Park School. He stated he is trying to get donations. Mayor Soto added that she is working on getting donations also.

Community Relations – Trustee Derenoski reported that he is accepting proposals for the new Village website. He has met with Derek from the Usman Group and another is from resident, Christopher Larson of WICA. John also noted that he took one company out of the running. He also stated he is zeroing in on getting someone.

Chief Heidecke left the council chambers at 7:24 p.m.

Business

LCDOT Presentation – Recap of Route 120 Bypass Unified Vision

Marty Buehler explained in more detail about the endorsement resolution of the Central Lake Throughway (Illinois 120 project). He stated that he was asking for a resolution endorsing the project from all the communities. He also stated that it is more powerful to have all the member's entities board approval.

Jeff Hall with Trans Systems, who did the study, presented an overview of the Illinois Route 120 Corridor Feasibility Study. Mayor Soto discussed the reasons she voted no. She stated that they are saying that the joint funding is a desirable traffic venture. The Mayor stated that she did not agree with this language. A question and answer session took place with the Trustees.

Mayor Soto read the changes to the Resolution.

Trustee Daley motioned to pass the Resolution as distributed to the Board; seconded by Trustee Barrett.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Walkington, Daley, Barrett, Duberstein, Tiffany and Derenoski

Motion carried

Resolution number to be provided later.

Mayor Soto thanked them all for their time.

Public Discussion

Barbara Jersey, Hainesville, IL 60073 – asked if there is a possibility that if IDOT does not get that amount of funding and there's a short fall that the bigger burden of cost will be on the users. Is there something in the language that says that we would equitably share this responsibility? Marty Buehler stated that if IDOT takes this project they would control this decision. Mayor Soto suggested mailing letters to IDOT.

Richard Gac, owner of a storage facility off of 120 and Porter – expressed his concern about the businesses between Wildwood and Rand Road and the impact this will have on those businesses. Jeff Hall stated that with the Bypass this will be a through route. There is a lot of traffic now because there is a lot of access along the road. The bypass takes the through traffic off and puts it on the bypass and then the existing road serves the local traffic to the businesses and residents. Jeff stated that people will more likely come to these areas.

Russ Kraly left the council chambers at 8:15 p.m.

Tax Levy Resolution for Tax Year 2009

Treasurer Kelly Hensley stated that during the Finance Committee meeting some modifications were made. A new Tax Levy Resolution was passed out to the Trustees. This is the first step in passing the tax levy ordinance. This is a resolution approving the Village's estimated aggregate tax levy for the tax year 2009; it is the estimate of tax dollars we anticipate. The percentage used was 2%.

The Mayor stated that when the 2010 census is done it will give us the cap of what our population will be.

After that there will be no more residential development. This will help in forecasting figures in the future.

Russ Kraly re-entered the council chambers at 8:21 p.m.

Trustee Walkington motioned to approve the Tax Levy Resolution for Tax Year 2009; seconded by Trustee Barrett.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Walkington, Daley, Barrett, Duberstein, and Derenoski

Nays: Tiffany

Motion carried.

Resolution number to be provided later.

Overnight Street Parking – Discussion Only

Mayor Soto noted that this issue was discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting. The topic started during election time. The Village does not allow overnight parking anywhere in the Village, however, some residents do not have enough places to park all the vehicles at their home. There is a process whereby a resident can apply for an overnight parking vehicle sticker. The current process requires an officer to inspect the garage to see if the garage is used to house vehicles. The question is whether we want to continue this practice or should the Village allow street parking in certain places or just one side of the street. If there was two inches or more of snowfall then it would be prohibited.

The Mayor stated that the latest idea is to take the current ordinance and add that a resident can buy an overnight parking vehicle sticker for a yearly fee. This would address Trustee concerns because residents would be doing the overnight parking and take away the concerns of suspicious vehicles and it would make

enforcement easier. The resident would still have the option of calling CenCom for a special circumstance. There will be some areas in the Village that will remain no parking or parking only on one side. In addition Holiday Lane should be made no parking. The Mayor asked that the Board give the idea some thought. She would like a resolution by the December Board meeting.

Cranberry Lake Preserve Access

Trustee Duberstein stated that the Wetlands Committee discussed what kind of things the Village should or should not allow at Cranberry Lake. What is the Village's liability if signs are not put up and don't prohibit anything and what is the Village's liability if we do put up signs and prohibit certain activities. Trustee Duberstein contacted Scott Puma who stated that the Village is not liable if someone gets hurt but that doesn't mean that people wouldn't sue us anyway. Scott Puma stated that the Village would have tort immunity which is absolute immunity for the Village because it is considered recreational property. Discussion took place regarding Cranberry Lake access. Further research by the attorney and engineer is required.

Public Discussion

Barbara Jersey, Hainesville, IL 60073 – noted that the residents of Cranberry Lake had to abide by rules that were given to them when they bought their homes. Since they are deed restricted with what they can do with the lake she doesn't understand how anybody else can do what they want on the lake. She does see people ice fishing and sometimes misusing the lake and no one ever polices the lake. Trustee Walkington stated that if she is calling the Conservation Police and they aren't sending anyone she needs to speak to a Supervisor.

Mayor Soto stated that before we can go further on this issue we need to understand the deed restriction language for the entire perimeter. She asked Village Engineer Greg Gruen and Attorney Scott Puma to put together a report for the next board meeting.

Proposals for Catch Basin Cleaning

Village Engineer Greg Gruen reported that the catch basins have never been cleaned. They are filled with debris, leaves, sediment and sand. Greg stated that they contacted eight companies to solicit proposals. They obtained two proposals and recommends Visu-Sewer Trenchless Solutions in Bridgeview. They were the most cost effective. Jeff Gately stated that they will be doing about 15 to 20 a day. Discussion took place regarding the pond levels.

Trustee Barrett motioned to authorize Jeff to award the contract to not exceed \$10,000; seconded by Trustee Duberstein.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Walkington, Daley, Barrett, Duberstein, Tiffany and Derenoski

Motion carried.

Trustee Barrett motioned to adjourn the November 10th, 2009 Regular Board Meeting; seconded by Trustee Daley.

All in favor say aye, motion carried.

The November 10, 2009 Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Metzler, RMC, CMC
Village Clerk