

May 24th, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at the Village of Hainesville Council Chambers by Mayor Linda Soto at 7:07 p.m.

Mayor Linda Soto led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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

Also present were: Village Clerk Kathy Metzler, Deputy Clerk Roseann Stark and Treasurer Kelly Hensley,

Absent: Trustee Walkington, Public Works Superintendent Jeff Gately EMA Coordinator Mike Benko, Building Official Russ Kraly, Village Attorney Jim Rock and Village Engineer Greg Gruen.

Establishment of quorum

Mayor Soto stated that Trustee Walkington is watching his grandson pitch at his baseball game.

Agenda Approval:

Trustee Derenoski motioned to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Duberstein.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Trustee Walkington

Motion carried.

Public comments:

Florence Dampz, 54 N. Lisk Drive, Hainesville, IL 60030 – thanked the Board for hiring the contractor who did the work in their yard. They were very professional and did a beautiful job. She stated they were thankful for the Board's consideration. Mayor Soto agreed that the contractor did a phenomenal job.

David Criz, 567 N. Triumph Ct., Hainesville, IL 60073 – questioned why two letters were mailed separately on the same day. Mayor Soto explained that only the townhomes received two letters; the newsletters were already stuffed and sealed. Mayor Soto wanted to inform the residents regarding the fight of the Local Government Distributive Funds which resulted in a letter which the staff was unaware of.

George Duberstein, 82 Tall Oak, Hainesville, IL 60073 – asked if there is an ordinance regarding unleashed animals and if there is a penalty. The Mayor stated that there is a Village ordinance and that the resident can be warned or cited. The Mayor also told Mr. Duberstein that he can call the police if an animal is running loose because it is against Village ordinance.

Omnibus Vote Agenda

1. A Motion to Approve the May 10th, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. A Motion to Approve the May 2011 Bills Payable for \$73,448.36

Trustee Derenoski motioned to approve the Omnibus Vote Agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Kriese.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Trustee Walkington

Motion carried.

Mayors Announcements

Mayor Linda Soto stated that this is the first full Board meeting after the swearing in. She welcomed new Trustee Kriese as well as returning Trustees Barrett and Walkington. The Mayor also congratulated the graduates of Grayslake and Round Lake High Schools.

Mayor Soto is fighting to get word to Springfield regarding the government not taking distributive funds. She is hopeful that this will be a winning situation. There will be a vote at the end of the week. The Village needs to be extra conservative because even if it doesn't pass now it may in the future.

The Mayor stated that it has been a wet spring and the Village and contractors are behind in spring cleanup and landscape work so she is asking for residents to be patient. Properties are not being mowed in a timely fashion. There are a lot of new foreclosed properties and the mortgage landscape companies are behind because of the rain. Residents can also call the realtor regarding the mowing.

Standing Committee Announcements

Finance Committee – Trustee Daley stated that the Trustees received an email regarding the quadrennial re-assessment which is going on now. Avon Township through Lake County is expecting an 8 to 11% drop in assessed home value. There is a \$45,000 - \$67,000 potential loss in revenue to the Village. But if the State ups the multiplier or the Village can look at the levy but if the Village does nothing there is a \$45,000 to \$67,000 potential loss. If value goes down, taxes don't necessarily.

Wetland Committee – Trustee Duberstein reminded everyone that the cleanup is Saturday, June 4th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The places to meet are in the newsletter, on the website or you can call the Village. She asked that residents interested in joining the cleanup wear appropriate gear such as proper shoes. She hopes that the National Honor Society will help but she has not heard back yet.

Mayor Soto stated that she received a call from George Balas of Clarke Mosquito. They are behind because of the rain but will spray for the weekend unless the temperature drops below 60 degrees.

Trustee Duberstein stated that the Public Works open house is from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. There will be a cook out for everyone not just the cleanup workers.

Public Safety – Trustee Barrett asked everyone to be aware of the weather. CenCom sets off the sirens. Residents should take shelter when they hear the sirens and when there is a warning or watch. Trustee Barrett also suggested having supplies to survive for 72 hours.

Mayor Soto asked Trustee Barrett the status of the grant that was awarded for the weather radios will those be replaced? He stated that the project fell flat because IESMA stated that they could not do it again because they paid for the radios but the manufacturer stated the radios did not meet the quality requirements. He stated that if anyone in the community knows anyone from Walgreen's or a big retailer to get 25 radios to put in public buildings that would be great. Mayor Soto stated that usually with grants you will be compensated.

Community Relations – Trustee Derenoski reported that ten people showed up for the movie on Sunday as well as George and Georgeann Duberstein. There will be one more movie on the fourth Sunday in June and then there will be no more because of the turnout. He is glad that the Village tried the movies. There will be a survey coming soon regarding Community Events.

Mayor Soto asked John Derenoski to put together a sample survey The Village's CTY has a way to do surveys as do some websites such as Survey Monkey. They will put together a simple survey related to community events. The Village did do a survey regarding community events when the police survey went out and she will use that as a basis for asking questions as to what the residents would like to see. A CTY call may be made to let residents know how to get to the survey. Included in the survey may be a question on the movie event.

Business

Village of Hainesville Identity Protection Policy

Mayor Soto stated that Attorney Jim Rock brought this up at the last meeting. The Village needs to adopt this policy.

Trustee Daley motioned to approve the Village of Hainesville Identity Protection Policy; seconded by Trustee Duberstein.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Trustee Walkington

Motion carried.

Community Events Discussion

Mayor Soto led a discussion regarding whether to keep the old Hainesville Fest or try something new. Mark Yoder of the band JellyBones was in the audience. Mayor Soto passed out to the Trustees the expenditures for past Hainesville Fests with some items dropped. Mayor Soto stated that perhaps a Concert in the Park with JellyBones, Glunz Winery, Wine Knows and the VFW Beer Tent could happen. Also discussed was whether something for the children should also take place. Mayor Soto stated that perhaps a series of Concerts in the Park with different types of music would be good. She spoke with Trustee Walkington who

thought that Hainesville Fest is a great event but it attracts the same crowd of people. She also stated that the Holiday Mixer was well received and will continue.

Trustee Derenoski looked into different types of catering. The question is whether the Village would provide the meal. Mayor Soto stated that the food was expensive at Hainesville Fest.

Each Trustee had an opportunity to give their input.

Trustee Daley stated that Hainesville Fest should be self-supporting even though it has been budgeted for, the Village should not spend that money. Mayor Soto agreed that the cost for Hainesville Fest should be less than budgeted because of the issue with the State of Illinois. She thought the Village could get about the same amount in donations as last year. The cost for last year's Hainesville Fest was \$14,536.00 minus the donations of \$7,595 for a total of \$6,941.

Trustee Derenoski stated that he was partial to Hainesville Fest because it is well received and that it's hard to find an event where the Village gets that many people. Perhaps the Village can discount the food. Mayor Soto stated that the 150th picnic and parade was a success and she would love to try a Concert in the Park.

Mayor Soto stated that Trustee Walkington felt the Village should do a spectacular event every 2 or 3 years.

Trustee Kriese also stated that the Village should watch spending and let the event be as self-supporting as possible. He likes the Concert in the Park but it would be leaving the children out.

Trustee Duberstein also wants to reduce costs and feels a survey will be helpful. She doesn't feel the Village should foot the bill for all of the food. She stated that she likes the idea of a concert either as a picnic and wine tasting or with funnel cakes and lemonade. Would really like to do a concert and would like input from the residents before we decide. Trustee Duberstein also suggested a Hainesville Road Show with an appraiser.

Trustee Barrett stated that Hainesville Fest is family oriented during the day but would like to scale down the rides. He would be interested in a blues fest. He also suggested that perhaps the Village could cook the food and sell it at cost. The Board would get to work and meet residents.

Trustee Duberstein suggested a Taste of Hainesville not with restaurants but with ethnic dishes from the neighbors.

It was decided that Mayor Soto would sit with Trustee Derenoski and do a survey to get input from residents. She summarized that most Trustees liked the Concert in the Park idea and the question is what to do for the kids. She suggested that perhaps old-fashioned picnic games can be done such as tug-of-war, three legged race, etc. which don't cost much.

Public Comments:

George Duberstein, 82 Tall Oak, Hainesville, IL 60073 – suggested using the high school bands for music or having a Battle of the Bands contest. Mayor Soto stated that it is a good idea but need to plan a year in advance. George also stated that there is a group in Libertyville that has a lot of different things available such as clowns and they do corporate events. He will talk with the chairman to see what they could offer.

David Criz, 567 N. Triumph Ct., Hainesville, IL 60073 – likes the idea of the Holiday Party and Hainesville Fest every year. The Village can be the caterers rather than have vendors. Also he would like Concert in the Park.

Signage for Mark Swierenga

Mayor Soto stated that this is in regards to the office building at the entrance of Deer Point. Mr. Swierenga was to put up a sign with the name of the tenants which he has put up two pillars of brick only. However, the Mayor received notice from Sign Central that the contractor did order the sign. The sign will also have a spotlight. If for some reason there is a glitch and the sign cannot go up, Russ will red tag the two pillars immediately. Mayor Soto was not the Mayor when this building went up. She also stated that it is not logical to take this long for a sign to go up; however, the Village did not hold anything so it is hard to chase the contractor. When the second building is built the Village will require a bond or escrow money. The Mayor also added that the flowers under the sign are there because the Village put them there not the contractor.

Trustee Derenoski motioned to adjourn the May 24th, 2011 Regular Board Meeting; seconded by Trustee Duberstein.
All in favor say aye, motion carried.

The May 24, 2011 Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Metzler, RMC, CMC
Village Clerk