

July 12th, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at the Village of Hainesville Council Chambers by Mayor Linda Soto at 7:01 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, Daley and Walkington

Also present were: Village Clerk Kathy Metzler, Deputy Clerk Roseann Stark, Building Official Russ Kraly, EMA Coordinator Mike Benko, Village Attorney Jim Rock and Village Engineer Greg Gruen

Absent: Treasurer Kelly Hensley and Public Works Superintendent Jeff Gately

Establishment of quorum

Agenda Approval

Trustee Walkington motioned to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Daley.

Roll Call:

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

Motion carried.

Mayor Soto announced that our former Mayor, Ted Mueller, recently took part in the Chicago Honor Flight for World War II Veterans. The Village sent a letter and photo which was part of the mail call on the flight. Mayor Soto invited Ted to step to the microphone and share some information about his day.

Public comments:

Ted Mueller described the Honor Flight. It began at Midway Airport and once in Washington D.C. the Veterans visited Memorials and stopped at the World War II Memorial. He will share pictures from the trip at the next Regular Board Meeting. Mayor Linda Soto thanked all the World War II Veterans for our continued freedom today.

Omnibus Vote Agenda

1. A Motion to Approve the June 28th, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. A Motion to Approve the July 2011 Bills Payable for \$62,277.12
3. A Motion to Approve the May 2011 Financial Statements
4. A Motion to Approve Elmwood Pay Request #1 for \$24,088.50

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

Roll Call:

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

Motion carried.

Reports and Communications from Mayor and other Officers:

Mayor

Mayor Linda Soto reported that the unexpected storm on Monday caused a lot of tree damage and isolated spots were out of power, however, there were no injuries in our Village. Forest Glen was impassable because of fallen trees. Mayor Soto was informed just before this meeting started that the third well came back on line which was running on a generator. Mayor Soto stated that Treasurer Kelly Hensley is not present due to her house in Lake Villa having sustained serious damage, Russ Kraly has also been out of power and Jeff Gately has been working around the clock.

Mayor Soto also announced that one of Hainesville's residents, Maureen Shipow and her daughter Caryn Drogos lost their son and brother, Tony Shipow. There was a memorial service this last Friday. He leaves a wife and two children; a three year old and a one year old.

Mayor Soto stated that hats off to the Village staff and Public Work's crew for their help with the storm.

She also thanked Mike Benko and Kevin Barrett for their assistance with the Avon Baseball 4th of July Parade.

Village Clerk

Village Clerk Kathy Metzler stated that she too has been out of power in Grayslake.

She reported that there are two new businesses in Hainesville. Fab Nails opened last week and has been very busy doing manicures and pedicures. Tap Out Liquors will be opening next week where Tom's Liquor was located and they will be selling liquor and a few grocery items.

Treasurer

Treasurer Kelly Hensley was not in attendance.

EMA Coordinator

EMA Coordinator Mike Benko reported that ComEd identified Monday's storm as one of two most serious storms in our history. More than 850,000

customers were impacted. There are about 300 crews from out of state in addition to 400 ComEd workers trying to restore power.

Mike Benko reminded everyone that July is Pet and Livestock Preparedness Month. All pets should also have a 3 days supply of water, medicine, treats, food, kennels, etc. in case of emergency.

Trustee Duberstein asked if a sign could be displayed stating that a parade will be going through on Hainesville Road. Mike Benko stated that traffic control is not the responsibility of Emergency Management it is up to the police department. Mayor Soto stated that she would pass the suggestion to Round Lake Beach Deputy Chief Chiarillo and Grayslake Chief Matt McCutcheon.

Building Official

Building Official Russ Kraly stated that there were about 6 houses in Hainesville that sustained some storm damage but there were no evacuations. Russ stated that he passed out his report along with a sheet with all recent violations.

Russ Kraly also stated that he distributed a Water Features packet which will be passed out when a resident wants to put in a water feature. There were many pool violations in the last few weeks in the Village.

Public Works Superintendent

Public Works Superintendent Jeff Gately was not in attendance.

Village Attorney

Attorney Jim Rock stated that his office has been working on obtaining both temporary and permanent easements for the properties that will be affected by the Route 120 watermain extension project.

Jim Rock is also working on communications with CenCom regarding 911 call routing.

Village Engineer

Village Engineer Greg Gruen reported on the Motor Fuel Tax project. Over the next 30 days they will be developing a bid package to complete the crack filling project for Deer Point, Pineview, Fairlawn and Forest Glen Drive area. He expects bids to be due and the work to be completed in September.

Greg also reported that the watermain is in for Pineview Apartments. It has passed the pressure test and has been chlorinated. It is ready for the owner to connect to it and hook up the Pineview residents to the Village water system.

Greg also stated that regarding the IEPA loan program, the Village is looking to obtain easements to complete the work. The application cannot be finalized until the easements are obtained.

Greg reported that Terry Grom wanted him to mention that with the power outage both Wells 1, 3 and the Cranberry Lake lift station all switched over to the back up generator seamlessly. Once a year Terry services the actual unit to periodically test the generator.

Trustee Daley asked for an update on the bike path. Mayor Soto stated that her last conversation with Paula Trigg of LCDOT was that given what was going on with the state and funding, the funds were delayed. Everything is in place and the project is moving forward and will start in July; no specific date could be given.

Reports of Standing Committees

Finance – Trustee Daley reported that Kelly Hensley is ahead of the game with the audit as she has been gathering information. The audit is scheduled for the first week in August. The Finance Committee discussed looking over the contract for the auditing firm. They are hoping to negotiate a contract at a lower cost since they have been with the Village for 3 years and have the basic material, or they may not need to go into the same depth as in the past years. If this can't be done, Trustee Daley stated that they might consider looking around for another firm although this company was the lowest of three companies.

Trustee Daley stated that the Committee is making a recommendation for no pay increases to the staff this year. Mayor Soto stated that this is not a surprise given the state of the economy.

Public Works – Trustee Walkington reported that Jeff updated him on the Forest Glen situation. Trustee Barrett stated that there are still downed trees on Forest Glen also a tree on the power lines. Trustee Walkington stated that Jeff will not be able to do anything about the bigger trees. Mayor Soto stated that she will follow-up with Diane regarding the tree on the power lines.

Public Safety – Trustee Barrett reported that at Waukegan Airport winds were clocked at over 100 mph. At the height of the storm and two hours after the storm Grayslake Police Department, Glenview and CenCom processed over 65 calls for service. Trustee Barrett stressed personal preparedness.

Trustee Duberstein asked why weren't the sirens set off. Trustee Barrett stated that the storm originally didn't look like it would cause much damage. He also stated that CenCom controls the sirens it is not the Village's call.

Wetlands and Open Spaces – Trustee Duberstein stated that one of the goals of the Committee is to try and beautify the Village along Route 120. They had 31 shrubs planted along Route 120 south of the Deer Point pond. They are small now but they will grow fast and will be pretty.

Mayor Soto announced that at the next Board Meeting the movie Green Fire will be shown, it is a 1 hour and 15 minute film. The film is about Native Restoration and the environment. Trisha Steele, an area resident, is certified to show the film. She will show the film at no cost to the Village. The Mayor stated that she will do a CTY call and this will be on the website. Free popcorn will also be provided. .

Trustee Duberstein reminded everyone that the Community Garage Sale is on July 30 and 31st from 9 to 3. Anyone interested in participating should contact Georgeann and also let her know if they want the Salvation Army to pick up.

Community Relations – Trustee Derenoski stated that he has tried to contact Glunz Winery to serve wine by the glass as well as sell wine at the Fest. He distributed the Preliminary Program Mayor Soto did for the Fest. Trustee Derenoski went over the program. This is the program which went out with the sponsorship letters.

Trustee Kriese asked if a head count could be taken at the Fest. Trustee Derenoski thought this was a good idea. Mayor Soto stated that ticket sales will be closely inventoried this year.

Trustee Derenoski stated that Fab Nails seemed interested in a booth at the Fest. Mayor Soto stated that as Trustee Derenoski moves forward the program will become more detailed. Trustee Derenoski explained why food is being served between 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. Mayor Soto stated that other food items will be served throughout the day, however, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. is the main meal.

Trustee Barrett stated that he has secured two Nesco roasters as a donation to the Village.

Business

CenCom/911 Call Routing

Mayor Soto stated that at the last meeting she passed out a letter she had sent to the JETS Board. JETS stands for Joint Emergency Telephone System. This is the Board that oversees the 911 surcharge funds. Mayor Soto requested a special meeting because our calls are routed to Glenview dispatch and we are exploring moving the 911 calls entirely to Glenview. She tried to do this at a Committee level but it was difficult. Attorney Jim Rock, who once was on the JETS Board, went with Mayor Soto to a March meeting. There was not a lot of feedback at that meeting so therefore a

special meeting was requested. Mayor Soto distributed the JETS Board reply which she received on Friday.

Attorney Jim Rock explained why the Village requested the special meeting. He stated that the majority of the 911 calls are police calls. Hainesville would like these to go to Glenview. The JETS Board voted by Official Motion that call routing to Glenview is not appropriate or in the best interest of CenCom or the Fire/EMS agencies that protect Hainesville. The request for a special meeting was denied. Mayor Soto forwarded the letter to Glenview and Grayslake this week, however, with the storm there has been no additional correspondence. In order for the call routing to be changed CenCom Board would have to agree to it and the Village would have to approach the Illinois Commerce Commission to receive authorization to make the change which would require changing the agreement for CenCom. There is not a lot of news other than the request was denied. Jim Rock stated that additional investigation needs to be done.

Mayor Soto added that the Village has requested repeatedly from CenCom various types of reports that show response times or delays in transferring calls. To the surprise of even CenCom's Director they do not have the ability to create certain reports. This took several months to explain this to Mayor Soto and Jim Rock. However, she has also asked for reports from Glenview, which has high tech equipment, however, data from them has been slow in coming. Mayor Soto stated that since she has received this letter Glenview and Grayslake need to show data that counters what they are saying. CenCom did state that they will begin to track this data now since it has been brought to their attention. Mayor Soto added that Fire and Ambulance calls are important but a very conservative estimate would be 85% of the calls are police calls. CenCom is transferring 85% of calls for police rather than Glenview transferring 15% or less for fire and ambulance calls.

Mayor Soto stated that they will try to set up a meeting with Grayslake and Glenview and report back to the Board. How much money is spent is important but quality of service and public safety is very important.

Discussion regarding this topic took place.

Mayor Soto noted that she did not attend the last JETS Board meeting because she thought they may have been hesitant to discuss this issue in detail in front of her.

Trustee Daley asked if the JETS Board has the right within our contractual agreement to tell the Village that it can not withdraw. Jim Rock stated that the Intergovernmental Agreement states that agencies can withdraw based on the procedures in the bylaws. Mayor Soto stated that the JETS Board wants to keep the 911 calls. Jim Rock added that in order to withdraw the Village would have to have calls routed somewhere else. In order to do that we need the ICC to approve whatever changes that are made. Jim Rock also stated that the bylaws say the Village can withdraw with a certain procedure. The Board does not have to approve the withdrawal.

Trustee Walkington asked who else CenCom services. Discussion took place regarding the municipalities that contract with CenCom.

Mayor Soto explained that the CenCom letter was not written by their attorney but by the Chair, Jean McCue. The Mayor found that interesting. Also the letter contained technical terms and the Mayor wondered where those came from. The Mayor stated that this is as far as we can go tonight; it is frustrating but now the Village knows what direction they have to go and they will see what Grayslake and Glenview have to offer. Perhaps we can have Brent Reynolds with Glenview or someone from Grayslake here and we can decide how we want to proceed.

Trustee Walkington asked if the information that we are asking Glenview for, do they supply that information to Grayslake, Attorney Rock stated not on a regular basis; not in the detail that we are looking for. Mayor Soto stated we are trying to make a case to prove otherwise, or prove a case to ICC that the arguments that are being raised are not valid.

Trustee Daley motioned to adjourn the July 12, 2011 Regular Board Meeting; seconded by Trustee Derenoski.
All in favor say aye, motion carried.

The July 12, 2011 Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Metzler, RMC, CMC
Village Clerk