

October 11th, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at the Village of Hainesville Council Chambers by Mayor Linda Soto at 7:04 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, Daley and Walkington

Also present were: Village Clerk Kathy Metzler, Public Works Superintendent Jeff Gately, Building Official Russ Kraly, Village Attorney Jim Rock and Village Engineer Greg Gruen

Absent: Trustee Barrett, Treasurer Kelly Hensley and EMA Coordinator Mike Benko

Establishment of quorum

The Mayor stated that Trustee Barrett is at a working dinner meeting.

Agenda Approval

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

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Trustee Barrett

Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Soto reminded the Trustees and staff to speak into the microphone.

Omnibus Vote Agenda

1. A Motion to Approve the September 27th, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
2. A Motion to Approve the September 2011 Financials
3. A Motion to Approve the October Bills Payable for \$85,628.31

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

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Trustee Barrett

Motion carried.

Reports and Communications from Mayor and other Officers:

Village Engineer

Village Engineer Greg Gruen reported that a contract was awarded to Behm Pavement for the crack filling. They should be starting the work Thursday and Friday of this week, weather permitting.

The bids were opened for the IEPA watermain loan program on September 15th. There were ten plan holders but only one bid was received from Berger Excavating which was a good bid. Their bid was for \$227,195.25. The engineer estimate prepared in 2008 from RHMG was

\$340,597.00. Greg stated he has been in contact with the IEPA and he sent the bid to them to be evaluated. They stated that the Village should provide an intent to award for Berger Excavating contingent upon receiving the IEPA loan, which will be done tonight.

Village Attorney

Village Attorney Jim Rock reported that he and the Mayor met with Russo regarding their plans to bring additional operations to the Village. Also, Jim Rock and Trustee Walkington attended a CenCom meeting to clarify Hainesville's status as a CenCom member now that the Village dispatches through Glenview.

Jim Rock also reported that he continues to work with the property owners regarding the easement for the watermain extension project.

Trustee Daley asked if there was any progress with CenCom. Jim Rock stated that there is and the Mayor will report on it.

Public Works Superintendent

Public Works Superintendent Jeff Gately stated that he has received quotes for parkway trees to be replaced. He should have something by the end of the week so they can be planted by the end of October. Jeff Gately reported that he is preparing for winter and it's slow going because his summer help is gone.

Jeff also reported that he did some grading for the erosion project on the North side of Cranberry Lake. However, he didn't go back far enough according to the plan so on October 17th Jeff and Dave Coulter will finish the grading. They will also spread wood chips on the path.

Trustee Duberstein asked if there is a guarantee from the company putting in the trees. Jeff stated that there is a one year guarantee. She also stated that H & D would give a two year guarantee if they put them in. Jeff felt that the price of the trees were comparable to H & D's quote, however, they are 2 inches larger. These will be 4 to 5 inch trees. Trustee Walkington asked if this nursery will keep an eye on the trees. Jeff stated that they plant them and supply gator bags, however, the Village or the homeowner will need to keep the bags filled. Jeff stated that in the past the Village has filled the gator bags as necessary and some homeowners do it also. Jeff stated that some of the trees that came down in the storm were larger size so it's better to replace them with something larger. Mayor Soto agreed.

Building Official

Building Official Russ Kraly had distributed his report. It was lengthy because the Village is involved in a few things. He has checked on places that were tagged to make sure they were cleaned up.

Mayor Soto stated that the Village will be persistent with violators.

Trustee Daley stated that once the violation has been taken care he doesn't need to see it again. Russ agreed and once it is completed he will mark it completed and take it off the report.

EMA Coordinator

Mayor Soto stated that EMA Coordinator Mike Benko was still at work. She reported that Mike had an EMA meeting and they are progressing with the Emergency Operation Center especially

with the winter coming. They have started to move into the garage area. Mike also submitted some information for the newsletter.

Treasurer

Mayor Soto stated Treasurer Kelly Hensley was not at the meeting but with the audit done she deserves a night off.

Village Clerk

Village Clerk Kathy Metzler reported that there is a new business in town called Gold Solutions located by Lindsay Chiropractic.

Mayor

Mayor Linda Soto reported that Trustee Walkington attended the CenCom meeting with Jim Rock because she was on jury duty. It was decided at the meeting that a special meeting would need to take place to discuss the Hainesville issues. In 2 to 4 weeks they will call a special meeting. Mayor Soto received an update from CenCom Director Lisa Berger. They will have one more meeting with the mediator to finalize contract points on November 1st. The Mayor hopes the special meeting will be called shortly after. Mayor Soto will ask Mayor McCue, chair of the JETS Board, to request the special meeting be called in the timeframe of 2 to 4 weeks regardless of what happens at the November 1st meeting.

Mayor Soto stated that there have been many solicitors in the subdivisions. All solicitors do need a license to solicit in the Village. There are only two currently licensed. All solicitors should have their Village license on them. The Mayor does not recommend doing business with anyone who does not have a permit from the Village. Residents should call the police at 847-223-2341 to let them know there are unlicensed solicitors. There are a lot of scams in the area. The Village will also have No Solicitor stickers available.

Trustee Daley asked if there are exceptions to the soliciting rule. Mayor Soto stated that non-profit do not need a license. Selling newspapers is not a non-profit so it would need a license.

Mayor Soto also reported on Winter Preparedness. She stressed that property owners need to remove toys, sports equipment, recreational equipment, decorations, etc. from the right-of-way because the plows will damage them. Last year the bobcats had to push snow back because of all the snow. The Village will not replace or reimburse those types of things. The Village will repair sod, reseed, and replace any damaged mailbox.

Trustee Daley asked about the hydrant flags. Jeff Gately stated that putting them up is on his agenda. Mayor Soto stated that the flags don't have to go on every hydrant just the strategic corners.

Mayor Soto received in the mail IDOT's street light maintenance agreement that is up for renewal. She also has Greg Gruen and Trustee Kriese reviewing the agreement. The Village has been requesting simple signs and other attentions so this is an ideal opportunity to have the requests addressed. Greg prepared a report which was given to Trustee Kriese. Attorney Jim Rock will look at the agreement and then send it to IDOT. The Mayor will sign it once an answer is received from IDOT.

Mayor Soto also reported on parking issues. The Mayor has talked to Dolores Anderson, president of the Cranberry Lake Townhomes. Holiday Lane parking is allowed only with a permit which is provided by the association. There is a situation with people driving the wrong way on

Holiday Lane. It is people who live close to the exit. Mayor Soto has talked to the Police Chief and will also do a CTY call to those residents. There will also be a letter sent. Mayor Soto asked Dolores Anderson to stress to residents who claim they are almost hit by these drivers to get a license plate number.

Reports of Standing Committees

Finance – Trustee Daley reported that the Committee met earlier. They discussed the amount that will be requested for the tax levy. A resolution will come before the Board at the next meeting. The amount agreed upon in the Committee is \$596,000, which is up \$8,000 from what was received the previous year. However, it is down from the \$627,000 of two years ago.

Public Works – Trustee Walkington reported that the fence is up by the gas tanks. The leak was found on the Public Works Building roof.

Trustee Walkington asked if Weidner is still in business. Village Clerk Kathy Metzler stated that there is no business at the building. Russ Kraly stated that the doors are sometimes open and there are trucks and equipment. Mayor Soto stated that the son lives in the house, however, she wasn't aware that there was activity. She will call them.

Public Safety – Trustee Kriese updated some projects. He received two quotes for the pedestrian crossing for Tall Oak. He will also have to draft a letter to LCDOT requesting the crossing and get any necessary permits.

He also received a quote for tri-fold stop signs from TCP. They are about \$90 each including the mounting hardware. The Village will have to contact IDOT to see if we can put it on Route 120. Mayor Soto stated that Trustee Kriese can give her the information and it can be included in Greg's list to IDOT.

Trustee Kriese has not heard anything from Lake County regarding the bike path. He will call them or send an email.

The next Public Safety Committee Meeting will be October 25th to discuss generators.

Wetlands and Open Spaces – Trustee Duberstein stated that the next Wetland meeting is Thursday, November 3rd at 7:00 p.m. come in the back door because the alarm is set at the front door. Residents were asked for suggestions for the beautification. The entrances will not need silt fencing this year and there will be no need to water the native plants because the plants have been established.

Community Relations – Trustee Derenoski stated that Trick or Treating will be on Sunday, October 30th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. There will also be hayrides. Residents are asked to bring non-perishable items for the Avon Township food bank.

The Holiday Mixer is set for Sunday, December 11th. Middle schools and both high schools want to participate. It will be from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Derenoski explained that a Snapfish account will be set up for anyone who wants copies of their pictures with Santa. If a resident doesn't bring their camera, the Village will take pictures which can then be viewed on Snapfish.

Business

Discussion on the Alternative Wind Energy Turbines

Mayor Soto explained that at the last Board Meeting Trustee Kriese presented his work on the alternative wind energy turbines. The information will be turned over to Jim Rock so he can prepare a first draft.

An Intent to Award to Berger Excavating the Route 120 Watermain Extension & North Street/Hainesville Road Watermain Extension contingent upon receiving the IEPA Loan

Trustee Derenoski motioned to approve the Intent to Award to Berger Excavating the Route 120 Watermain Extension and North Street/Hainesville Road Watermain Extension contingent upon receiving the IEPA loan; seconded by Trustee Walkington.

Roll Call:

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

Absent: Trustee Barrett

Motion carried.

Trustee Duberstein motioned to adjourn the October 11th, 2011 Regular Board Meeting; seconded by Trustee Walkington.

All in favor say aye, motion carried.

The October 11, 2011 Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Metzler, RMC, CMC
Village Clerk