

Village of La Grange Park  
**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**  
July 23, 2019

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled on July 23, 2019 at 7:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

Village President James Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m. President Discipio asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. He then asked Village Clerk Meghan Kooi to call the roll.

Board Members In attendance were **(unless otherwise noted):**

Trustees: Scott Mesick  
Michael Sheehan  
James Kucera  
Robert Lautner  
Jamie Zaura  
Amanda Seidel

Village President: James Discipio

Also in Attendance were:

Village Manager: Julia Cedillo  
Assistant Village Manager: Emily Rodman  
Village Clerk: Meghan Kooi  
Village Attorney: Cathy Keating  
Village Engineer: Paul Flood  
Public Works Director: Rick Radde  
Police Chief: Tim Contois  
Fire Chief/Bulding Director: Dean Maggos  
Finance Director: Larry Noller

Village Clerk Kooi Informed President Discipio that a quorum was present.

Community Invitation to National Night out, Presented by Sgt. Matt Fellers

Sgt. Matt Fellers gave a brief history and description of National Night Out. He mentioned that over 1,000 departments participate each year, that this will be the second year the Department is pairing with the military to organize the event, and it is free to the public. US99 and AM 560 The ANSWER will also be at the event. President Discipio thanked the department for all of their hard work and encouraged everyone to come to the event.

Public Participation (Agenda Related Items)

There were a number of participants Interested in speaking during Public Participation. A one and a half minute time frame was given to each speaker addressing the Board. President Discipio asked that everyone be respectful of each other's opinions.

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Mr. John Nichols first addressed the Board about Lake Shore Recycling and the addition of a \$2.00 administrative fee that is being added to the bills of costumers who are paying through the mall instead of online. He asked the Board to look into the matter.

Mr. James Drury, Mr. Tom Egan, Mr. Jack Bone, Ms. Dawn McCormick, Mr. Mark Washburn, and Ms. Sue Jeffries addressed the Board on the matter of the keeping of chickens in La Grange Park. The concerns mentioned were health issues, including salmonella and several forms of meningitis, and concerns that chickens would attract predators such as coyotes and hawks. Additional concerns were the health and upkeep of the chickens themselves, the lot sizes and the possibility of property values decreasing. Mr. Washburn distributed handouts to the Board in regards to the meningitis concerns.

Mr. Chris Rodgers questioned why the issue hadn't been sent to a referendum after the Board received the survey results.

Ms. Nancy Razzano, Ms. Pam Podolner, Mr. Aaron Podolner, Miss Kiera Connolly, Miss Lola Podolner, Mr. Ian Hansen, Ms. Tracy Connolly, and Ms. Anne Roth addressed the Board in support of the keeping of chickens. It was mentioned that several other nearby towns allow the keeping of chickens and have rules in place, that predators would not be an issue if the coops were built properly, and that being vigilant about washing hands and shoes would prevent the spread of diseases. They encouraged the Board to allow a trial of a few families to keep chickens with a set of rules and regulations.

### Consent Agenda

Village Clerk Kooi said the following items were on the Consent Agenda for approval:

**A. Approval of Minutes**

*I. Village Board Meeting – June 25, 2019*

*II. Work Session Meeting – July 9, 2019*

**B. Action - Noise Restrictions Exception – Nazareth Academy Night Football Games – Motion: To Grant an Exception to the Nuisance Regulations Contained in Section 93.04.C.5 (as amended) of the Village Municipal Code, for the Purpose of Allowing Nazareth Academy to Operate Their Sound System Until 10:00 p.m. on September 6th, September 13th, September 27th, October 4th, and for a Potential Playoff Game on November 1st, 2019**

**C. Action - Purchase of a 2020 Police Interceptor – Motion: To Authorize Staff to Purchase a New 2020 Ford Interceptor Utility (Police Patrol Package), for a cost of \$32,947.00, from Currie Motors Fleet in Frankfort, IL, Through the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Contract #152 and Increase the Overall Budgeted Amount to Not Exceed \$40,000.00 to Cover the Equipment and Up-Fitting**

**D. Action - Street Sweeper Repairs – FY19/20 – Motion: (1) To Accept the Service Estimate from Standard Equipment Company in an amount not to exceed**

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- \$15,000.00 and (2) To Authorize the Village Manager to Execute the Contract Documents*
- E. Action - 2019/20 – MFT General Maintenance Resolution – Motion: To Adopt a "Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code" for the Expenditure of \$306,000 in MFT funds*
  - F. Action - Road Striping Program – FY19/20 – Motion: (1) To Accept the Proposal From Superior Road Striping, Inc., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$19,5000 and (2) To Authorize the Village Manager to Execute the Contract Document*
  - G. Action - Authorized Signers for Village Financial Accounts – Motion: (1)To Approve An Ordinance Designating Village Depository and Financial Institutions and Authorized Signers (2) To Approve an Account Resolutions Certificate for Treasury Management Services for Fifth Third Bank*
  - H. Action – Motion to Authorize the President and Chairperson of the Finance Committee to sign the register for bills, and authorize the Treasurer and Village Clerk to sign checks in payment of operating bills and salaries as itemized in the Check Registers*
  - I. Action – Motion to Authorize the Village Treasurer and Village Clerk to sign checks in the payment of payroll and other bills that become due between this date and August 27, 2019 with subsequent approval of the Payroll Register and Voucher Register by the Board of Trustees at its regular meeting to be held on August 27, 2019*

*The motion to approve the Consent Agenda as Presented was made by Trustee Sheehan. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Village Manager's Report

Village Manager Julia Cedillo had one item to report. She stated that the evaluation of three financial software vendors that were selected for demonstration was wrapping up, and she expects to bring a recommendation to the Board next month.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Amanda Seidel read the monthly report for June 2019. The report included a reminder of the 2019 National Night Out, the sales of Village Vehicle Stickers, and a reminder to check on the Village's website for construction updates. This concluded the Administration Committee report.

Trustee Seidel then read the Agenda Memo Item – Exchange Server Replacement. At the end of the discussion, *Trustee Seidel made a motion To Approve the Purchase and Installation of an Exchange Server from All Information Services (AIS) in an Amount Not to Exceed \$29,350. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

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Trustee Seidel moved on to the last item and read the agenda memo titled Keeping of Chickens – Additional Research. Trustee Seidel thanked staff for their hard work on the subject, and was in favor of moving forward with the keeping of chickens in La Grange Park. Trustee Kucera, Trustee Mesick, Trustee Sheehan, Trustee Lautner, and Trustee Zaura were not in favor of moving forward on the matter. They also thanked staff for their hard work on the matter. President Discipio thanked staff for their time and patience on the subject. He stated the matter of Keeping of Chickens in La Grange Park would not carry forward.

**BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE**

**A. MONTHLY REPORT**

Trustee Jamie Zaura read the Building Department Activity Memo dated July 17, 2019 regarding Building Department Activities for June. Trustee Zaura read the monthly report for June 2019 which included information on the CSJ building, the completion of the final inspections for The Montessori Children's School, located at 1905 E. 31<sup>st</sup> street, the completion of the façade at the Parkholm/31<sup>st</sup> street shopping center, and the status of the outdoor patio work at Mattone. This concluded the Building and Zoning Committee report.

**ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE**

**A. MONTHLY REPORT**

Trustee James Kucera read the monthly report for June 2019 which included information on the 2019 Street Paving Program, the Raymond Avenue Water Main Replacement Project, the Harding Avenue/Sherwood Road Resurfacing Project, and the 2019 Sewer Repair Project. This concluded the Engineering and Capital Projects Committee report.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**A. MONTHLY REPORT**

Trustee Robert Lautner started with the Police Department Summary of Activities for June 2019. The report included a reminder about National Night Out and Coffee with the Chief and Staff. The report also included a reminder to secure one's personal property at all times, and to lock all vehicles and residences. Trustee Lautner moved on to the Fire Department Activities for June 2019. This concluded the Public Safety Committee report.

Trustee Lautner then read the Agenda Memo Item - Sale of Surplus Vehicles and Equipment. At the end of the discussion, *Trustee Lautner made a motion To Approve an Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Property Owned by the Village of La Grange Park. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

**A. MONTHLY REPORT**

Trustee Michael Sheehan read the monthly report for June 2019 which included the summary of Public Works Operations, Mechanic Maintenance, and Water Department Operations. This concluded the Public Works Committee report.

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Trustee Sheehan then read the Agenda Memo Item – Payment Authorization for 31<sup>st</sup> and Robinhood Light Replacement. At the end of the discussion, *Trustee Sheehan made a motion To Authorize Payment to Lyons-Pinner Electric Company for the Purchase and Installation of a Street Light Pole on 31<sup>st</sup> Street in the Amount of \$19,737.82. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**A. MONTHLY REPORT**

Trustee Scott Mesick read the Financial Update - As of June 30, 2019. The memo summarized the Village's General Fund financial performance through June 30, 2019 and noted that the Village has completed two months or 17% of fiscal year 2020, which begins May 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020. This concluded the Finance Committee report.

**OTHER REPORTS**

**VILLAGE CLERK**

**A. MONTHLY REPORT**

Village Clerk Meghan Kool had nothing to report.

**VILLAGE TREASURER**

**B. MONTHLY REPORT**

Finance Director Larry Noller had nothing to report.

**COMMERCIAL REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE**

**C. MONTHLY REPORT**

Trustee James Kucera read the Commercial Revitalization Report. The Report summarized activities at the 7-Eleven Strip Center, the staff review and finalization of the design of the north Beach Avenue parking lot, and the June 28<sup>th</sup> ribbon cutting that was held for Bangs Beauty Bar. This concluded the Commercial Revitalization Committee Report.

**VILLAGE ENGINEER**

**D. MONTHLY REPORT**

Village Engineer Paul Flood had nothing to report.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

**E. MONTHLY REPORT**

Village Attorney Cathy Keating had nothing to report.

**COMMITTEE AND COLLECTORS REPORT**

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**F. MONTHLY REPORT**

There were no other reports; *President Disciplo made the motion to approve the Committee and Collector reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by voice vote.*

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT**

President James Disciplo thanked all staff that was involved in the meeting with the President of the Park District. He mentioned he was very proud of staff and the outcome of the meeting.

President Disciplo also commented on the need to look closely at the subject of Recreational Marijuana and asked Village Manager Cedillo to add it to the August Work Session.

President Disciplo then read the Proclamation, National Night Out 2019, thanked staff for their hard work on the event, and encouraged all residents to attend.

**Public Participation (Non-Agenda Related Items Only)**

There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Since there was no further business to be brought before the Village Board, *President Disciplo made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Meghan Kooi  
Village Clerk