

Village of La Grange Park
Youth Commission – Minutes
Monday, December 13, 2010

The meeting of the La Grange Park Youth Commission was called to order at 7:03 p.m. on Monday, December 13, 2010 at the Village Hall, 447 N. Catherine Avenue, La Grange Park, Illinois.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commission Liaison Cedillo called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Members in attendance were:

Commission Members: Daniel Golden
Jack Roache
Aubrey Aikens
Grant Lundahl
Margaret Brewick
Matt McGuinn
Matthew Serafin

Absent: Grace Flaherty
Hannah Husemann
Abby Gies

Others Present: Julia Cedillo

The Commission determined that Grant Lundahl would Chair the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 8, 2010

The Commission reviewed the minutes of the October meeting. Ms. Aikens moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Commissioner Golden seconded the motion. Motion carried and the minutes were approved.

3. REVIEW OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – November 9, 2010

Commissioner Grant Lundahl provided an overview of the Village Board Work Session of November 9, 2010.

Residential Waste Contract: Mr. Lundahl explained that the Village's waste hauling contract with Allied will be expiring very soon. Village staff would like to attempt to renegotiate a contract with the existing hauler before it engages in a competitive bidding process. Mr. Lundahl stated that there was little discussion and that it was the consensus of the Work Session that Village staff move forward to try and renegotiate favorable terms. He stated that one trustee asked if the costs would remain the same under a temporary extension. Ms. Cedillo said she would ask the waste hauler and get back to the Village Board.

New IRMA Alternate: Mr. Lundahl provided a brief overview of this item. Mr. Lundahl stated that the Village needs to appoint a new alternative representative to the Village's Risk Pool to ensure active participation at meetings. He stated that there was little discussion on this item and that the consensus was to support staff's recommendation.

Variation at 1136 Maple Avenue: Mr. Lundahl explained that the variation is to add one more sign than what is allowed by ordinance. Overall, the Village Trustees supported staff's recommendation to allow the additional signage.

Cook County Health Department IGA: Mr. Lundahl noted that this discussion regarding the intergovernmental agreement occurs on an annual basis with the Village. Overall, there was little discussion and the Board supported staff's recommendation to continue on with the agreement with the County.

Engineering Contract – Baxter & Woodman: Mr. Lundahl noted that there was some discussion related to this item. He explained that the Village received a grant for a new emergency generator for Village Hall. Village Staff is recommending that the Village enlist the services of an engineering firm to help determine the full scope of the work. Mr. Lundahl stated that Village Staff recommended the company because it has done much engineering work for similar projects for municipalities in recent years. One Trustee was concerned about the agenda item because one piece of information regarding the company was missing in the agenda packet, but was provided at the meeting. However, the Board approved staff's recommendation after a review of the documentation at the meeting because they did not want the Village to delay the project.

4. DISCUSSION – WORK SESSION AGENDA – December 14, 2010

Meeting Chair, also Commissioner Lundahl facilitated the discussion of the various items on the December 14 Agenda.

Aging Care Contributions: Commissioner Lundahl outlined the points of discussion as presented in the memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager. The Commission had a discussion whether it felt it appropriate for the Village to provide a donation to Aging Care Connections for services rendered to residents in the Village. Overall it was the consensus of the Commission that any donation to a not for profit would set a precedent for the Village. The Commission commented that it is not the Village's role to decide who gets Village funds or tax payers' dollars and who does not. The Commission felt that Village revenues should be spent on Village services because that is what residents expect. Furthermore, the Commission stated that the Village cannot afford it and such a donation was not budgeted.

EECBG Grant Recipient Agreement: Commissioner Lundahl outlined the points of discussion as presented in the memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager. The Village recently received word that it was awarded an EECBG Grant in the amount of \$100,000 for the construction of a new Public Works Garage. In order to process the grant, the Village was obligated to sign off on a subrecipient agreement and pass a resolution that the Village would abide by the terms of the

grant. The Commission agreed that accepting grant money was a positive outcome and that the Village should agree to sign the agreement.

Sewer Alternative Recommendations: Commissioner Lundahl outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager and the attached memo by Paul Flood, Village Engineer. Overall, the Commissioners thought that sending the recommendations to a Committee made up of Village Board Members was a great idea. This is because many of the ideas need to be further developed and evaluated. The Commission thought that the option that required the purchase of several homes and had a large price tag was not realistic and not affordable and not therefore they recommended its removal from the list of viable options.

IGIG Grant: Commissioner Lundahl outlined the points of discussion as presented in the memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager. The Youth Commission asked some questions about the scope of the work to be performed as part of the grant project. Ultimately, the Commission agreed with staff's recommendation for choosing the public parking lot a Beach. The Commission commented that they were glad to see that the Village would set a positive example for what is possible in redevelopment with the environment in mind. The Commissioners also liked the idea of a permeable pavement and that the Village would not be contributing to the types of land surfaces that make flooding more likely.

Purchase of Police Vehicle: Commissioner Lundahl outlined the points of discussion as presented in the memo by Dan McCollum, Police Chief. The Commission agreed to the purchase of the vehicle but asked why another hybrid was not being considered for the purchase. Ms. Cedillo commented that the current hybrid models are not ideal types for patrol cars because they are not roomy enough to transport people who are under police custody. The Commission then agreed that a Ford Crown Victoria would be appropriate purchase.

7. ADJOURN

Julia Cedillo thanked the Youth Commissioners for a great meeting and for volunteering their time at the Holiday in the Park event. Ms Cedillo reminded Commissioners that the next meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2011. With no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager