

Village of La Grange Park
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled on February 25, 2014 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 7:30 pm. President Discipio introduced Troop 66 who led the Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance. Pack 66 was also in attendance working on their Citizenship Award. After the Pledge, he asked Village Clerk Seidel to call the roll.

Board Members in attendance were:

Trustees:

Scott Mesick
Patricia Rocco
Michael Sheehan
James Kucera
Mario Fotino
Robert Lautner

Village President: James Discipio

Also in Attendance were:

Village Manager: Julia Cedillo
Assistant Village Manager: Emily Rodman
Village Clerk: Amanda Seidel
Village Attorney: Cathleen Keating
Village Engineer: Paul Flood
Village Treasurer: Chad Chevalier
Fire Chief: Dean Maggos
Police Chief: Dan McCollum
Finance Director: Pierre Garasche

President Discipio began the meeting asking for a moment of silence for the passing of Resident, former Trustee and friend Lorraine Kawalek.

President Discipio began by introducing Representative Chris Welch. Representative Welch began by presenting the Village with a check in the amount of \$416,500 for the IEPA Downspout Disconnect Grant. He continued his presentation by discussing the grant and how everyone worked together to make this grant happen. The Board thanked Representative Welch.

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President Discipio moved on to the next item appointment of probationary Police Office Christopher Dempsey. Village Clerk Seidel performed the swearing in and the oath of office. Chief McCollum introduced Officer Dempsey and his family and performed the pinning ceremony. The Board congratulated Officer Dempsey.

Public Participation

President Discipio moved on to Public Participation. Fred Weisse of 627 N. Brainard commented on the Downspout Disconnect program and how reimbursement to residents will work as well as his comments and concern with the program.

Consent Agenda

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

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - (i) Village Board Meeting- January 28, 2014
 - (ii) Work Session Meeting- February 11, 2014
- B. Action- 2014 Emerald Ash borer Treatment Program *Motion: To Approve the Proposal from Robert Kinnucan Tree Experts and Landscaping Company dated January 22, 2014 in the amount of \$7,160.40*
- C. Action-Change Order- Lawn Mowing and Flower Bed Maintenance Contracts *Motion: To Approve the Proposals from Landscape Concepts Management in the amount of \$4,360 for Lawn Mowing various Areas Throughout the Village, \$1,840 for Lawn Mowing at the Water Plant, and \$2,520 for Flower Bed Maintenance.*
- D. Action-Audit Services Agreement *Motion: To Adopt a Resolution Approving the Audit Services Agreement Dated January 8, 2014*
- E. *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*
- F. *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 March 25, 2014 subsequent approval of the Payroll Register and Voucher Register by the Board of Trustees at its regular meeting to be held on March 25, 2014.*

After Clerk Seidel finished reading the Consent Agenda President Discipio asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read. *The motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read was made by Trustee Mesick and seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.*

Village Manager's Report

Village Manager Julia Cedillo began by summarizing the Illinois Green Infrastructure Grant. She summarized the highlights of the IGIG Grant Agreement listed in the Village Board Agenda Memo of February 20, 2014. Village Manager Cedillo clarified the comments on

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allowable/excluded costs. Attorney Keating clarified the liability as well as that there is no penalty to the Village. Village Manager clarified all questions and discussed the reimbursement program. At the end of discussion *Trustee Rocco made a motion to approve Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Illinois Green Infrastructure Grant Financial Agreement in the Amount of \$416,000 with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for the Downspout Disconnection Assistance Program. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Robert Lautner read the Administration Report for February. He started with the Arbor Day Nominations; National Arbor Day is Friday, April 25th. He moved on to Retirement Reception for the Finance Director Garasche which will be held at 6:45 on Tuesday, March 25th. He moved on to Village Establishing Eligibility List for Position of Police Officer. He moved on to Village Seeking New Members for Youth Commission.

Trustee Lautner moved on to his next item by reading the Village Board Agenda Memo of February 25, 2014 regarding proposal for residential waste hauler contract-follow-up from 2/11/14 Work Session. Assistant Village Manager Rodman began a power point presentation. She discussed: process, current contract, current program challenges, status quo alternative, all totor program alternative, totor program pricing, and comparison of cost across communities. Discussion began over option 1A versus option 1B. The Assistant Village Manager answered all question of the Board. At the end of discussion the Board commented on how they look forward to resident feedback on this issue for further discussion at the March 11th Work Session Meeting.

This concluded the Administration Committee report.

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Michael Sheehan said there were 31 building permits were issued in January, compared to 39 in January 2013. He said estimated Construction Costs for the month were slightly lower than compared to January of 2013, and Permit Fees collected were also down somewhat. He said there were 94 inspections conducted during this past January, compared to 75 conducted in January of 2013. Of such, 11 were not approved. He said during the month, interior remodeling plans were submitted for Amusement Bark to be located at 23 E. 31st Street. He said the permit for the interior build-out for The Fruitful Yield at the Village Market was issued during the month. He said also during the month, re-inspections took place for the Premier Tile Shop located at 1016 E. 31st St. and as a result of such; the Business License and Certificate of Occupancy were issued.

This concluded his report.

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Jim Kucera began with the January report and said project close out has been completed for the LaGrange Road Water Main Replacement Project, Phase II (Oak to Woodlawn Avenues) with Trine Construction. He said project close out has also been completed on the parkway restoration contract between the Village and Trine Construction on the La Grange Road Water Main replacement Project, Phase I (Woodlawn to Brewster). The Army Corps of Engineers is also working to close out their portion of the work, but still have a few unresolved contractual issues pending with Trine Construction.

This concluded his report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Mario Fotino started with the Police Department Summary. He said in the month of January, with its frigid conditions, affected some police activities, such as traffic accidents and citations issued, but did not measurably impact total incidents handled. There were 31 accidents during the month, compared to 20 during January of last year. Traffic citations issued totaled 127, compared to last Januarys 453. This represents a decrease of nearly 257% which is significant. Total police activity remained mostly unchanged, with a total of 567 incidents reported, compared to 552 during the first month of 2013. He said various Adopt-A-Cop appearances for January had to be canceled due to school closings attributable to the adverse weather conditions. He said the Police Department assisted other members of the Village staff in accommodating persons using the Community room as a warming shelter for 2 days in January. He said work on the garage floor project has begun, as well as restoration of one of the PD inner offices damaged by a ruptured water supply line.

That concluded the Police Department report.

Trustee Fotino moved on to the Fire Department Report. He said there were 143 EMS responses this month, compared to 155 in January of 2013. There were 80 fire/rescue incidents this month, compared to 45 in January of 2013. He said due to the extreme weather and low temperatures during the month, both fire stations were staffed on various occasions by paid-on-call personnel to ensure an adequate and timely response. He said on January 25th and 26th, our department hosted the course, "Senior Officer Development for the Twenty-First Century", which was presented by the Illinois Fire Chiefs Foundation and Office of the State Fire Marshal. He said plans were reviewed by Fire Prevention staff for three new fire alarms systems: and pressure testing was conducted on two new fire sprinkler systems. He said the fire Department responded to four Carbon Monoxide incidents during the month where alarms activated an elevated levels of carbon monoxide were found in the homes.

This concluded his report.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Scott Mesick read the monthly report for January. He read the summary of Public Works Operations. He moved on to Mechanic Maintenance; he said various repairs and preventative maintenance were performed on Public Works Vehicle & Equipment Units, Police Vehicles and Fire Vehicle and Equipment. He moved on to Water Department Operations; He said the Village purchased 40,450,000 gallons of water were purchased from the Brookfield-North Riverside Water Commission. 1,318 water meters were read in section #1. 50 monthly accounts and 18 final meter readings were taken. He said various inspections, appointments, and service calls were also performed. 15 water samples were taken and all samples successfully passed IEPA standards. 17 utility locations were identified prior to excavations. 2 B-box repairs were made. 7 water main breaks were repaired.

This concluded his report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Patricia Rocco read the Financial Summary. She said as we progressed through the fiscal year from December 31st to January 31st, we moved from being roughly 67% of the way through the fiscal year to being 75% of the way. She said we made our annual payment to IRMA, in the amount of \$205,108. She said the General Fund revenues of \$5,430,000 represent 69.5% of the budgeted revenues. They also represent a \$417,000 increase over last year at this time. This translates to an 8.3% increase. Much of the increase is attributable to permit fees, police fines, state income taxes, and the civic contribution. She said all of the above have produced an outcome in which the General Fund is currently experiencing a \$267,000 surplus.

This concluded her report.

OTHER REPORTS

VILLAGE CLERK

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Clerk Seidel said she had nothing to report.

VILLAGE TREASURER

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Treasurer Chad Chevalier handed out the Treasurer's Report of February 25, 2014. He gave a Police Pension Update and went over key pension fund statistics. He moved on by summarizing asset growth and portfolio return as well as asset distribution. This concluded his report.

VILLAGE ENGINEER

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Engineer Paul Flood said he had nothing to report.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Attorney Cathleen Keating said she had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE AND COLLECTORS REPORT

A. MONTHLY REPORT

There were no other reports; President Discipio said he would entertain a motion to approve the Committee and Collector reports as presented. *Trustee Mesick made the motion to approve the Committee and Collector reports as presented. Trustee Sheehan seconded the motion. The motion to approve Committee and Collector's reports passed unanimously by voice vote.*

VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

President Discipio began by thanking Public Works for the great service on the streets. He moved on to mentioning the ribbon cutting at Premier Tile. He moved on to mentioning the March 26th Springfield Drivedown.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Since there was no further business to be brought before the Village Board Meeting, President Discipio said he would entertain a motion to adjourn into Executive Session. *Trustee Mesick made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for purpose of discussing pending, probable or imminent litigation according to 5 ILCS 120.2 (c)(11). Trustee Sheehan seconded the motion and the motion to adjourn into Executive Session passed unanimously by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda G. Seidel
Village Clerk