

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

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled on March 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 began with the Pledge of Allegiance. 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
Public Works Director: Brendan McLaughlin
Fire Chief: Dean Maggos
Police Chief: Dan McCollum
Finance Director: Pierre Garasche

President Discipio began with a presentation to retiring Finance Director Pierre Garesche for his 29 years of service to the Village of La Grange Park. President Discipio thanked Finance Director Garesche for his service to the Department as well as his service to the Board. President Discipio and Village Manager Cedillo presented Finance Director Garesche with a plaque for his service.

Public Participation

President Discipio moved on to Public Participation. Barb Noches of 521 N. Brainard commented on the residential waste hauler contract and the possible effect on retired residents on a fixed income.

Consent Agenda

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

- A. Approval of Minutes
- (i) Strategic Planning Work Session Meeting- January 30, 2014
 - (ii) Village Board Meeting- February 25, 2014
 - (iii) Executive Session Meeting- February 25, 2014
 - (iv) Work Session Meeting- March 11, 2014
 - (v) executive Session Meeting- March 11, 2014
- B. Action- Street Segment Overlay- Various Areas in the Village *Motion: To accept the lowest bid from Brothers Asphalt Paving in the amount of \$63,850, for completion of asphalt overlay patching to be performed in the Village of LaGrange Park.*
- C. Action-Water Rate Increase *Motion: Approve an Ordinance Amending Chapter 51, Section 51.43 of the Village of LaGrange Park Municipal Code Establishing Water Rates*
- D. *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*
- E. *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 April 22, 2014 subsequent approval of the Payroll Register and Voucher Register by the Board of Trustees at its regular meeting to be held on April 22, 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 discussing the Budget Binder that was given to each member of the Board. Village Manager moved on by summarizing the Village Board Agenda Memo of March 18, 2014 regarding Finance Director Appointment. *Trustee Mesick made a motion to appoint Larry Noller as Director of Finance effective April 3, 2014. The motion was seconded by Trustee Rocco and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Robert Lautner read the Administration Report. He started with the Rose Clippings which should be delivered to resident's homes in early April. He moved on to Community Volunteer Weekend that has been scheduled for Saturday May 3rd from 9:00 am-1:00 pm which is hosted by the village's Youth Commission. He moved on to Arbor Day 2014, in keeping with our status as a Tree City the Village will plant a tree in memory or in honor of a person or group that has made a positive contribution to the community.

Trustee Lautner moved on to his next item by reading the Village Board Agenda Memo of March 25, 2014 regarding 2014-2019 Residential Waste Hauler Contract-Allied Waste Services. Discussion began with the additional option of a Landscape Toter. Discussion moved to all the work by staff. At the end of discussion there was a *motion by Trustee Lautner to approve a Contract for Residential Collection and Transportation of Municipal Solid Waste with Allied Waste Services of North America. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

This concluded the Administration Committee report.

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Michael Sheehan said there were 20 building permits were issued in February, compared to 45 in February 2013. He said estimated Construction Costs for the month were significantly higher than compared to February of 2013, mostly due to the issuance of a new home permit, the final home to be built in the Heatherdale Subdivision. Permit Fees Collected were also slightly up. He said there were 64 inspections conducted during this past February, compared to 108 conducted in February of 2013. Of such, 10 were not approved. He said staff met with Fire Safety Consultants, Inc. to discuss updates to re-writing of our Fire Prevention Code, and also to work on reviewing other code sections, and correlating them with proposed new building codes. He said New Hong Kong restaurant had to close for a couple of days during an order to safely complete plumbing repairs and related concrete work. He said a permit issued towards the end of the month for the interior renovations for Amusement Bark. He said the Certificate of Occupancy and Business License was issued for a new antique and resale shop, Passed to Present, located at 1013 E. 31st Street.

This concluded his report.

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Jim Kucera began with the February report and said planning for the Villages 2014 Roadway Program has begun. Preliminary discussions with Staff regarding project scope and identification of specific streets are underway. This information is used for developing project cost estimates used for budgeting purposes to assist the Village Board in making future decisions. He said preliminary work has begun on evaluation the replacement of the Villages water main on Ogden Avenue between Park Avenue and Edgewood Avenue. The existing small diameter main is located under the pavement making it difficult and costly to repair. It has been repaired several times this winter; however due to its small diameter it no longer meets fire flow requirements. Since this water main is located within an IDOT right-of-way that is in the corporate limits of LaGrange, additional coordination will be required. Initial cost estimates are being prepared for use in future discussions with the Village.

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 February, total crimes reported for the first two months are 28% lower than last year, with 25 thus far in 2014, compared to 32 in 2013. He said overall police activity is 5% higher, with 1,156 incident handled by police this year, compared to 1,097 during January and February of 2013. He said the garage floor restoration project was completed during February. Also, replacement chairs were obtained for placement in the report writing and conference rooms. He said the Board of Directors of the Illinois Association of Law Enforcement Executives met at the LaGrange Park Village Hall on Thursday February 27th, The Group is planning to work with various units of government to highlight the seriousness of the heroin epidemic and increase awareness of the problem and encourage the distribution of overdose antidote kits to area law enforcement agencies.

That concluded the Police Department report.

Trustee Fotino moved on to the Fire Department Report. He said there were 118 EMS responses this month, compared to 121 in February of 2013. There were 58 fire/rescue incidents this month, compared to 27 in February of 2013. He said due to the impending extreme weather, both fire stations were staffed on February 1st by paid-on-call personnel to ensure an adequate and timely response. He said on February 12th, personnel conducted a Community CPR class in conjunction with the Park District. He said during the month, our Fire Prevention Division Chief witnessed the fire sprinkler hydrostatic test and fire pump test for the new addition at Deslauriers, located at 1245 Barnsdale Rd. He said final testing of the fire alarm and sprinkler systems took place at 1 Stonegate Rd., which is a newly renovated residence owned by Helping Hand.

Trustee Fotino moved on to his next item by reading the Village Board Agenda Memo of March 20, 2014 regarding Renewal of Paramedic/Firefighter Contract. Discussion began over the job well done by staff getting a slightly reduced increase as well as putting together comparison data. At the end of discussion there was a *motion by Trustee Fotino to approve resolution to allow the Village Manager to execute a certain agreement with Public Safety Services, Inc. to provide Paramedic/firefighter personnel from May 1, 2014 to April 30, 2017 for an amount not to exceed \$1,544,333.00. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

This concluded his report.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Scott Mesick read the monthly report for February. 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 42,720,000 gallons of water were purchased from the Brookfield-North Riverside Water Commission. 1,470 water meters were read in section #2. 50 monthly accounts and 14 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. 32 utility locations were identified prior to excavations. 2 B-box repairs were made.

This concluded his report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Patricia Rocco read the Financial Summary. She said the Village of LaGrange Park is now approximately 83% of the way through the 2013-14 fiscal year. General Fund revenues of \$7,570,000 are 7% higher than last year at this time and appear poised to exceed the annual budgeted revenues by the end of March. She said overall, our revenues continue doing well. She said Village staff will be reviewing the status of estimated year-end expenditures in comparison to the budget and will likely be recommending a few budget revisions to the Board at its April Work Session. She said at the present time the General Fund is experiencing a sizeable operating surplus and it is expected there will be a surplus at the end of the year as well. The Villages finances are in good shape.

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 was not present at the evenings meeting.

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 Sheehan made the motion to approve the Committee and Collector reports as presented. Trustee Mesick seconded the motion. The motion to approve Committee and Collector's reports passed unanimously by voice vote.*

VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

President Discipio began by mentioning the March 26th Springfield Drivedown and the importance of residents to contact their Legislators. President Discipio moved to mentioning Village Manager Cedillo's birthday. President Discipio ended his report by mentioning how the Village was invited to the Library's Strategic Planning Meeting to be held April 1st.

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. *Trustee Lautner made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Mesick seconded the motion and the motion to adjourn passed unanimously by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda G. Seidel
Village Clerk