

Village of La Grange Park
Village Work Session Minutes
October 9, 2012

A Work Session meeting of the Village Board of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was held in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building on October 9, 2012.

Village President James Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm. He asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. He then asked Village Clerk Seidel to call the roll.

Board Members in attendance were:

Trustees:

Rimas Kozica
Scott Mesick
LaVelle Topps
Marshall Seeder
Susan Storcel
Patricia Rocco

Village President: James Discipio

Also in Attendance were:

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

Clerk Seidel informed the President a quorum was present.

Public Participation

President Discipio said the first item on the Agenda was Public Participation. He asked if there were any citizens who wished to address the Board. David Raditz of 30 Stonegate Rd had a complaint with landscapers and would like to see more licensing and regulations for landscapers in the community.

Presentation by Seldon Fox, Ltd.- Auditor Report

Hank Demlow of Seldon Fox was introduced to present the Auditors report. He summarized the report context and how it is designed to be user friendly. He clarified the notes to the financial statements which include disclosure as well as supplemental notes. He went through the requirement fund balance and net disclosure in accordance to GASBE54, clarified reconciliations on page 11 and page 14, and clarified the note disclosure for the police pension fund. He then moved on to SAS 114 which highlights adjustments that need to be met as well as the three exhibits to SAS 114. He then moved on to the management letter criteria and how the changes the Village needs to make all fell under “other matters”. Hank Demlow answered and clarified any questions.

The Board thanked Hank Demlow and Staff for all their work on the Audit report.

President Discipio introduced Matt McGuinn who was the Youth Commissioner attending the Work Session. Matt McGuinn commented on the great audit report.

Administration Committee Items

President Discipio called upon Trustee Susan Storcel for discussion of Installation of Private Equipment for Private Use on Village Property with Findings.

Trustee Storcel started by summarizing the Village Board Memo from October 2, 2012 regarding installation of private equipment for private use on village property with findings. At the August 14th Work Session, the Village Board considered a request by DRW Holdings d/b/a/ China Cat Productions, LLC to install two satellite dishes on the Village’s water tower located at 937 Barnsdale Road. The dishes would be used solely for the company’s internal communications.

Discussion began on how residents could benefit from \$24,000 a year. A few questions were clarified and it was agreed by consensus for staff to move forward. Matt McGuinn commented how the Youth Commission was in consensus.

Public Safety Committee Items

President Discipio called upon Trustee Lavelle Topps for discussion of Sale of Surplus Vehicles.

Trustee Topps proceeded to read the Village Board Agenda Memo of October 1, 2012 regarding has two surplus vehicles; a 1999 Ford Taurus and a 2006 Ford Crown Victoria. In order to list the vehicles for sale an ordinance must be approved declaring the property as surplus and authorizing the Village Manager to solicit bids.

After all questions were answered it was agreed by consensus that this ordinance be placed on the Consent Agenda for formal approval at the October 23, 2012 Village Board Meeting. Matt McGuinn commented how the Youth Commission was in consensus.

Public Works Committee Items

President Discipio called upon Trustee Scott Mesick for discussion of 2012 Leaf Loading, Transportation and Disposal.

Trustee Mesick proceeded to read the Village Board Agenda Memo of October 3, 2012 regarding 2012 Leaf Loading, Transportation and Disposal.

After all questions were answered it was agreed by consensus that a Resolution accepting the proposal of rainbow Farms Enterprises, Inc. for the disposal of leaves in the amount of \$21.25 per bucket, and authorize the Village President to execute the necessary contract documents be placed on the Consent Agenda for formal approval at the October 23, 2012 Village Board Meeting. Matt McGuinn commented how the Youth Commission was in consensus.

Finance Committee Items

President Discipio called upon Trustee Patti Rocco for discussion of the Tax Levy Estimate.

Trustee Rocco proceeded to read the Village Board Agenda Memo of October 2, 2012 regarding Tax Levy Estimate.

After questions were clarified it was agreed by consensus to place the motion moving the President and Board of trustees concur with the recommendation of the Finance Director and determine hereby that the amount of money estimated to be necessary to be raised from the 2012 real property tax levy for the 2012-13 fiscal year is \$3,336,684; which amount is less than 5% higher than the amount of taxes extended for 2011 be placed on the Consent Agenda at the October 23, 2012 Village Board Meeting. Matt McGuinn commented how the Youth Commission was in consensus.

Engineering & Capital Projects Committee Items

President Discipio called upon Trustee Marshall Seeder for discussion of the Flood Mitigation Report.

Trustee Seeder proceeded to summarize the Village Board Agenda Memo of October 4, 2012 regarding Flood Mitigation Report. Trustee Seeder presented an overview of the report and the recommendations to move forward. It was mentioned that the Report should be placed on the Village Website.

Village Manager Julia Cedillo and Village Engineer Paul Flood presented a Power Point Presentation of the Flood Mitigation Report which was developed by the LaGrange Park Engineering & Capital Projects Committee with assistance from Village Management Staff. The report utilized engineering and survey data provided by the Village Engineers, Hancock engineering, and staff research on community flood mitigation efforts. The presentation included the following; Background, Evaluation, Flood Mitigation Strategies-Non Engineering, Flood Mitigation Strategies-Engineering, Findings and Recommendations and Attachments.

After the presentation discussion occurred over next steps and feasible options moving forward including infrastructure, downspout disconnect, detention ponds, and vortex valves. Engineer Flood went over resident incentive programs and how other communities are dealing with flooding issues as well as the Anonymous Flood Survey. Questions were answered regarding Flood Mitigation strategies both Engineering and Non-Engineering methods. Discussion occurred over applying again for the IGIG grant. It was mentioned to use legislative influence to help with grants. All involved with the report were thanked for their time and effort.

After questions were clarified it was agreed by consensus to discuss Flood Mitigation Strategies at the November Work Session.

President Discipio moved on to other reports.

Other Reports

He called upon Village Manager Julia Cedillo for a report. Village Manager Cedillo had nothing to report.

He then called upon Village Clerk Seidel for a report. Clerk Seidel had nothing to report.

The next report was from President Discipio. President Discipio wanted to mention the progress with Subway on 31st Street, Chamber Night which was well attended and how Elaine Kowalek was chosen for the Senior Citizen Award.

New Business

This concluded Other Reports so President Discipio moved on to New Business. There was none.

Adjournment

Since there was no further business to be brought before the Village Work Session, President Discipio said he would entertain a motion to adjourn into Executive Session. Trustee Seeder made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing Executive session minutes according to 5 ILCS 120/2.06. Trustee Mesick seconded the motion and the motion to adjourn into Executive Session passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda G. Seidel
Village Clerk

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