

Village of La Grange Park
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
November 24, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled on November 24, 2015 at 7:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

President Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, he asked Village Clerk Seidel to call the roll.

Board Members in attendance were:

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| Trustees: | Scott Mesick Patricia Rocco Michael Sheehan James Kucera Robert Lautner Jamie Zaura |
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| Village President: | James Discipio |
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Also in Attendance were:

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| Assistant Village Manager: | Emily Rodman |
| Village Clerk: | Amanda Seidel |
| Village Attorney: | Cathleen Keating |
| Public Works Director: | Brendan McLaughlin |
| Village Engineer: | Paul Flood |
| Police Chief: | Ed Rompa |
| Fire Chief: | Dean Maggos |
| Finance Director: | Larry Noller |

Presentation

President Discipio began with the first item. Village Clerk Seidel performed the swearing in of Probationary Police Officer David Escamilla. Chief Rompa talked about Mr. Escamilla's background & experience and moved on to the pinning ceremony. Mr. Escamilla introduced his friends and family. The Board congratulated Mr. Escamilla.

Public Participation

There was none.

Consent Agenda

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

A. Approval of Minutes

- (i) Village Board Meeting- October 27, 2015
- (ii) Work Session Meeting- November 10, 2015

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- B. Action- Resolution for Construction on State Highways- Motion: To approve Resolution for Construction on State Highway.
- C. Action- 2016 Meeting Schedule: Motion: To approve a Resolution approving the 2016 Meeting Dates.
- 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 January 26, 2016 subsequent approval of the Payroll Register and Voucher Register by the Board of Trustees at its regular meeting to be held on January 26, 2015.*

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 Sheehan and seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously on a roll call vote.*

Village Manager's Report

Assistant Village Manager Rodman mentioned that she was informed by Public Works Director McLaughlin that due to the recent snow leaf collection has been delayed. She moved on to mentioning that Village Offices will be closed Thursday the 26th and Friday the 27th in observance of Thanksgiving; however Police and Fire will remain open.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Robert Lautner read the Administration Report. He began with Village Offices Closed November 26th and 27th in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. He moved on to Small Business Saturday is November 28th. He moved on to the Tree Lighting Ceremony at Memorial Park is Friday, December 4th at 6pm. He moved on to Holiday in the Park at the Community Park District Center is Saturday, December 12th.

Trustee Lautner moved on to his next item Amendment to the La Grange Park Municipal Code-Liquor License Regulations. Trustee Lautner summarized the past discussions of the Board. At the end of discussion *Trustee Lautner made a motion to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 112 of the Title XI of the LasGrange Park Municipal Code Regulating Liquor Sales and Licenses. 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 Jamie Zaura said there were 105 building permits were issued in October, c. ompared to 138 which were issued in October of 2014. She said estimated Construction Costs and Permit Fees Collected were also substantially down from what they were in October of 2014. She said there were 227 inspections conducted during this past October, of such, 30 were not approved. She said the critical structural roof repairs to the Ace Hardware were completed, allowing for all of the interior shoring to be removed, and the front of the

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store to be opened to customers. She said plans were submitted for the Dinner Club, which will be located at the Village Market south building.

This concluded her report.

ENGINEERING & CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE
A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee James Kucera began with the October report and said only closeout items remain to be completed on the IDOT contract for Kemman Avenue Resurfacing Project (from 31st Street to 26th Street). He said the repaving of Cleveland Avenue (from 30th Street to 26th Street) is also complete with only punch list and closeout items remaining to be performed. He said the resurfacing of Pine Tree Lane and the portion of Finsbury Lane that was not part of the McNaughton development is complete; the contractor G-A Paving still has landscape restoration work to perform and punch list items to complete.

This concluded his report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Scott Mesick started with the Police Department Summary. He said the total numbers of crimes reported are very similar to the same as reported from last year. He said the total Police Department service and assistance calls remain lower than last year at this time. He said Sergeants and Patrol Officers on all shifts have been very active in writing tickets for a variety of infractions, 5665 to date thru October 2015 compared to 5194 from last year through October 2014. He said the combined effort of resources by the Village of LaGrange Park and Nazareth High School has made for a positive outcome in relation to the night football games that were hosted at their site throughout the year.

That concluded the Police Department report.

Trustee Scott Mesick moved on to the Fire Department Report. He said there were 148 EMS responses this month. There were 38 fire/rescue incidents this month. He said many fire safety education presentations took place throughout the month for our schools and other groups, as we celebrated Fire Prevention Week. He the Fire Department Open House took place on November 10th and Fire Station No. 1. He said on October 4th, firefighters conducted live fire training at the home located at 750 N. Brainard Ave. prior to it being torn down to make way for a new home. He said during the month, the pumps on our three Engines (pumpers) and our Ladder Truck were tested by Underwriters Laboratories.

This concluded his report.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Michael Sheehan read the monthly report for October. 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 36,380,000 gallons of water were purchased from the Brookfield-North Riverside Water Commission. 1,272 water

meters were read in section #1. 52 monthly accounts and 23 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. 170 utility locations were identified prior to excavations. 2 water main was repaired. 3 B-box repairs were made. A new Fire Hydrant was installed in the 300 block of Park.

This concluded his report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Trustee Patricia Rocco read the Financial Summary. She said fiscal year to date General Fund Revenue is at 55% of the annual budget. She said property tax receipts are about \$67,000 higher than last year at this time. She said sales tax revenue is essentially flat from the prior year. She said natural gas tax receipts have dropped about 48% from last year. She said permit revenue is 19% above last year. She said intergovernmental revenue is 10.5% greater than last year due to increased receipts from state shared revenues including the income tax, personal property replacement tax and the use tax. She said charges for services are about \$63,000 higher than last year. She said Fine Revenue is 13% higher than the prior year. She said miscellaneous revenue is about \$55,000 higher than the prior year. She said total general fund expenditures are with expectations at 45% of the annual budget and \$936,000 lower than last year.

Trustee Rocco moved on to her next item by reading the Village Board Memo regarding 2015 Property Tax Levy. At the end of discussion *Trustee Rocco made a motion to approve an ordinance providing for the Annual Tax Levy for the Village of LaGrange Park, Cook County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Trustee Rocco made a motion to approve an ordinance providing for Specific Reductions of the 2015 Property Tax Levy Pursuant to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Trustee Rocco made a motion to approve an ordinance abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2015 to pay the principal of and interest on &3,495,000.00 General Obligation refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2014, of the Village of LaGrange Park, Cook County, Illinois. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

This concluded her report.

OTHER REPORTS

VILLAGE CLERK

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Clerk Seidel said she had nothing to report.

VILLAGE TREASURER

B. MONTHLY REPORT

Finance Director Noller summarized the Treasurer Report.

VILLAGE ENGINEER

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Engineer Paul Flood said he had nothing to report.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

A. MONTHLY REPORT

Village Attorney Cathy 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.*

COMERCIAL REVITILAIIZATION COMMITTEE

Chairman James Kucera began by summarizing the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Tax Increment Financing Consultant Services-S.B Friedman. Trustee Kucera mentioned that the Village Board and the CRC Committee has spent a lot of time discussing this item. Trustee Kucera thanked the Committee and staff for all their work. Trustee Lautner mentioned he looks forward to the results and the recommendation of SB Friedman. At the end of discussion *Trustee Kucera made a motion to approve a resolution authorizing the Village Manager to execute an engagement letter with S.B. Friedman and Associates for consultant services to conduct a Tax Increment Financing Feasibility Study in an amount no to exceed \$29,260. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

President Discipio wanted to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays.

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 roll call vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda G. Seidel-Village Clerk