

Village of La Grange Park
Youth Commission – Minutes
Monday, March 7, 2011

The meeting of the La Grange Park Youth Commission was called to order at 7:04 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2011 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 7:04 p.m. Members in attendance were:

Commission Members: Matthew Serafin
Hannah Husemann
Aubrey Aikens
Grace Flaherty
Daniel Golden
Jack Roache
Matt McGuinn
Abby Gies

Absent: Margaret Brewick
Grant Lundahl

Others Present: Julia Cedillo

The Commission determined that Matt McGuinn would Chair the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 10, 2011

The Commission reviewed the minutes of the January meeting. Mr. McGuinn moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Commissioner Gies seconded the motion. Motion carried and the minutes were approved.

3. REVIEW OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – February 8, 2011

Ms. Flaherty provided an overview of the Village Board Work Session of February 8, 2011. Ms. Flaherty first noted that a resident spoke at the Board Meeting who seemed very upset and had many questions. Ms. Flaherty then went on to report the Board's discussion on various items on the agenda.

New Zoning Code Publication: Ms. Flaherty noted that this was a discussion item only and that there were no comments or questions as a result. She further noted that the Commission discussed this update at their last meeting in January.

Engineering & Capital Projects Committee: Ms. Flaherty noted that this was a discussion and update item only and that there were no comments or questions as a result.

Budget Schedule: Ms. Flaherty noted that this was a discussion item only and that the Chair of the Finance Committee asked other members of the Committee if the

scheduled dates worked with their calendars. All reported that the dates worked well and there was no further discussion.

Water Rate (information only): Ms. Flaherty noted that this was a discussion item only and that the Village staff would get back to the Village Board if there was a recommendation for a water rate increase.

Blizzard Response (information only): Ms. Flaherty noted that this was a discussion item only and that there was a discussion regarding Village Staff response for the blizzard which resulted in over 20 inches of snow. Generally speaking, the staff worked well together in a crisis and everyone helped each other out illustrating a true team effort.

Public Works Garage Committee Project Update: Ms. Flaherty noted that there was a staff memo outlining the various options for the Village to move forward on this project. Staff noted that further architectural design was needed but wanted direction from the board as to whether any work should be done since the fate of the Capital Bill, which funds about half of the project, is so uncertain. There was no consensus on this item but the matter would be discussed further at the Village Board Meeting in two weeks.

4. DISCUSSION – WORK SESSION AGENDA – March 8, 2011

Meeting Chair, Matt McGuinn facilitated the discussion of the various items on the March 8, 2011 Agenda.

IPBC Renewal: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager. Mr. McGuinn stated that the Village would have to consider whether to remain in the IPBC for employee healthcare benefits. If so, then they would have to pass a resolution to maintain membership for three years. In general, the Commission supported the recommendation made by staff. The Commission felt that because the Village had been a participant for so many years, that it must be working well. One member felt that since the IPBC offered some flexibility on plans, that it is still a good option for the Village for now and the future.

Waste Hauling Contract: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager. Generally speaking there were five options outlined for the Village Board to consider. Staff was recommending one option which provided for the same structure as what the Village currently has – and it offers the addition of a twin toter program. The two programs together offer something for retirees who tend to throw away little waste, while still offering a toter program for the busy families. The Commission discussed the options available and agreed with Staff's recommendation for the new contract.

Digital In-car Video System: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager and Dan McCollum, Police Chief. The report stated that staff went out to bid for the video system packages and received six bids. Staff was

recommendation that the purchase be awarded to AMR out of Woodridge. The price was the lowest for the specifications, and the company was local. The equipment also came with a three year warranty. For these reasons, the Commission supported the recommendation made by Staff in the memo.

Sale of Surplus Vehicle: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Dan McCollum, Police Chief. The report stated that staff was recommending the sale of a 1999 Ford Taurus. If approved the Village will solicit bids for the sale of the vehicle. The Commission discussed whether or not the Village had a use for this vehicle and inquired as to what the costs may be for the upkeep and maintenance. Generally speaking, the consensus of the Commission is that the Village should sell the vehicle since there is no need to keep it.

Renewal of Paramedic / Firefighter Contract: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Dean Maggos, Director of Fire and Building. The report stated that staff was recommending to extend its contract with PSSI for another three years. The reasons stated for such a recommendation were such that the contract included a price reduction for the first two years, staff has found that the company is responsive to Village needs, and that the Village has found that the employees are both reliable and dependable. It was the consensus of the Commission to support staff's recommendation.

Authorization to Purchase Salt: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Julius Hansen, Director of Public Works. The memo presented an opportunity for the Village to purchase salt from the Village of Hodgkins at a reduced cost from what the state's bid system provides. If the Village proceeds with the purchase, the Village would see a substantial savings to the Village. The purchase would not exceed \$20,000, which would come from the MFT fund. The consensus of the Commission was such that it agreed with staff's recommendation and that it is advantageous to look for cost savings whenever possible. Since the salt has a long shelf life, the Commission felt that this was a wise use of Village funds, even though the extra expense was not specifically budgeted for.

Draft Five Year Plan: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager. There was a general discussion about the purpose of the Five Year Plan.

Draft FY 11-12 Budget: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager. Ms. Cedillo provided a general overview of what was included in the proposed budget.

5. COMMUNITY VOLUNTARY WEEKEND

Ms. Cedillo confirmed with the Commissioners that April 30th and May 1st was the Community Volunteering Weekend.

6. ADJOURN

Julia Cedillo thanked the Youth Commissioners for a great meeting and reminded Commissioners that the next meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2011. With no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager