

Village of La Grange Park
Youth Commission – Minutes
Monday, May 9, 2011

The meeting of the La Grange Park Youth Commission was called to order at 7:10 p.m. on Monday, May 9, 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 7:10 p.m. Members in attendance were:

Commission Members: Matthew Serafin
Aubrey Aikens
Daniel Golden
Matt McGuinn
Hannah Husemann

Absent: Margaret Brewick
Grant Lundahl
Jack Roache
Abby Gies
Grace Flaherty

Others Present: Julia Cedillo

The Commission determined that Matt McGuinn would Chair the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 7, 2011

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

3. REVIEW OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – April 12, 2011

Ms. Cedillo provided an overview of the Village Board Work Session of April 12, 2011. Ms Cedillo noted that the meeting began with a budget hearing for which a budget presentation was provided. The presentation included an overview of the highlights and capital projects included in the FY 11-12 Budget Draft Document.

Cagwood Consulting: Ms. Cedillo noted that generally speaking, the Village Board was very supportive of retaining the services of Cagwood Consulting. Most members felt that the support, connection, and communication received were worthwhile as it concerned matters of legislation and grant funding.

Engineering Work for Sewer Line: Ms. Cedillo noted that the Village Board was very supportive of the work that would televise and evaluate the integrity of the newly discovered sewer line along the IHB. The line has potential for being integrated into a sewer system solution in the future.

JAG Grant: Ms. Cedillo noted that there was not much discussion on this matter as the Village Board has always been supportive of the grant application and the Police Programs that are supported by those funds.

Budget Amendment: Ms. Cedillo explained that the Board was supportive of the amendment and understood why the amendment was necessary as the budgetary year comes to a close.

Five Year Plan: Ms. Cedillo stated that the Chair of the Finance Committee provided a very nice overview of the Five Year Plan. The Village Board provided feedback on various items and it was placed on the consent agenda for the next meeting.

Annual Budget: Ms. Cedillo noted that the Board made mention of an incorrect calculation in the budget presentation. There was also some concern expressed about the projected revenue for the sales tax for the upcoming budget. The Village Board decided that although there was support for what they have seen thus far with the budget, it would not go on the consent agenda for the next meeting. The Village Board wanted the opportunity to provide further feedback, if necessary.

Salary Adjustment: Ms. Cedillo explained that the Board did not discuss this item too much and was supportive of the plan.

4. DISCUSSION – WORK SESSION AGENDA – May 10, 2011

Meeting Chair, Matt McGuinn facilitated the discussion of the various items on the May 10, 2011 Agenda.

Amusement Tax Abatement: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager. The Commission debated the pros and cons and ultimately decided that they were open to the idea and thought more information about the process would be valuable before making a decision.

MFT Operations: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the memo by Julius Hansen, Director of Public Works. Generally speaking the Commission was very supportive of the work to be done. There were some questions about the specific work included and Ms. Cedillo provided those Responses.

Beach Avenue MFT Paving Project: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Julia Cedillo, Interim Village Manager and Julius Hansen, Director of Public Works. Overall, the Commission was glad to see that the Village was moving forward with a street project for the coming year.

Vehicle Purchase: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Julius Hansen, Director of Public Works. There

were some questions about why there was a difference between the purchase cost and the total amount budgeted for the equipment. Ms. Cedillo explained that once the truck is purchased, the Village has the truck equipped with special options that allow it to complete the necessary services of the Public Works Department – such as heavy duty parts and equipment and plow, etc.

Sale of Surplus Vehicle: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Julius Hansen, Director of Public Works. The Commission was supportive of the online auction approach since it might provide the Village with additional revenue over what has been bid for the trade-in value and cost.

MFT Appropriation: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by Pierre Garesché, Director of Finance. There was very little discussion on this matter and it was the consensus of the Commission to support staff's recommendation.

Resolution Opposing Reduction of the LGDF: Commissioner McGuinn outlined the points of discussion as presented in the cover memo by the Village President. Ms. Cedillo provided an overview of the issue for the Commission and the Commission was very supportive of the measure.

5. COMMUNITY VOLUNTARY WEEKEND

Ms. Cedillo thanked the Commissioners for their hard work during the Community Volunteering Weekend.

6. FIELD TRIP

Ms. Cedillo noted that she is trying to secure a field trip to Cellular Field for this summer.

7. ADJOURN

Ms. Cedillo noted that Matt Serafin would be the representative at the next Board Meeting. Ms. Cedillo thanked the Youth Commissioners for a great meeting and reminded Commissioners that the next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 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