

Village of La Grange Park
Village Work Session Minutes
October 13, 2015

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 13, 2015.

Village President James Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:30 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:

Scott Mesick
Patricia Rocco
Michael Sheehan
James Kucera
Robert Lautner
Jamie Zaura

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
Finance Director: Larry Noller
Village Engineer: Paul Flood
Police Chief: Ed Rompa
Village Inspector: Rob Wierzba
Director of Public Works: Brendan McLaughlin

Clerk Seidel informed President Discipio a quorum was present.

Public Participation

There was none.

Village President Discipio said that item 5. A will be moved to Building & Zoning Committee Items instead of Administrative Committee Items.

Building & Zoning Committee Items

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Trustee Zaura summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Zoning Application No. 2015-05: 1618 Finsbury Lane. The Board was provided with answers to a Trustees inquiry regarding permitting, village code, LaGrange, and the ZBA. Discussion began with Trustee Zaura mentioning she does not see a hardship and how she does not want to set a precedence. Trustee Rocco discussed how she doesn't see room at the back of the house and believes its current location is the best location for the generator. Trustee Kucera mentioned precedence and asked why the petitioner was not present for the meeting. Trustee Lautner mentioned the importance of precedence and discussed the installer lack of responsibility. Trustee Sheehan mentioned the cost savings for the resident for the generator being in its current location. Trustee Mesick mentioned the Zoning Code and the reasons for it. Assistant Village Manager Rodman discussed hardship, unique circumstances, and character of locality. She discussed ways to accommodate for the generator to be at the rear of the house as well as discussing maximum fees to a homeowner and the process. Attorney Keating clarified the legal perspective and the contractor resident relationship. Village Manager Cedillo mentioned the importance for residents to obtain permits for project. At the end of discussion there was not consensus so the motion will be placed on the Agenda at the October Village Board Meeting for further discussion.

Trustee Zaura summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Cook County Health Inspections. At the end of discussion there was consensus to place the *motion approving the Resolution authorizing execution of a Health Inspection Services Agreement with the County of Cook, and authorize the Village President to execute the necessary contract documents on the Consent Agenda at the October Village Board Meeting.*

Public Safety Committee Items

Trustee Mesick read the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Occupational Medical Evaluations. At the end of discussion there was consensus to place the *motion to approve the payment of \$10,501.00 to Health Endeavors, SC, of Lombard, IL for this year's annual Occupational Medical Evaluations* on the consent agenda at the October Village Board Meeting.

Public Works Committee Items

Trustee Sheehan read the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Emerald Ash Borer. Public Works Director McLaughlin did a presentation regarding Tree Removal Report/Funding and Emerald Ash Borer. At the end of discussion *Trustee Sheehan made a motion to authorize staff to reprioritize its spending plan to cut crack sealing, pavement markings and the power lift gate to fund for \$36,500 for the removal of the 122 trees that have been identified of having a higher risk of failure. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Finance Committee Items

Trustee Rocco read the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding 2015 Property Tax Estimate. Finance Director Noller clarified any question of the Board. At the end of discussion there was consensus to place the *motion that the President and Village Board of Trustees estimate that the amount necessary to be raised from the 2015 property tax levy for the 2015/126 fiscal year is*

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\$3,500,132; which amount is less than 5% greater than the amount of taxes extended for 2014 on the Agenda at the October Village Board Meeting.

Other Reports

President Discipio called upon Village Manager Julia Cedillo for a report. Village Manager Cedillo mentioned she would send Public Works Director McLaughlin's report to the Village Board.

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 mentioned the State of the Village Address. He moved on to mention the upcoming presentations for the upcoming referendum and the importance of communication to residents. He moved on to mention the improvements going on at the 31st Street Railroad Crossing. He ended by mentioning the progress at Ace Hardware.

New Business

Trustee Rocco asked a question regarding the Nazareth Badminton Courts project.

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 Mesick made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the selection of a person to fill a public office (commission/committee) according to 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(5). Trustee Sheehan seconded the motion and the motion to adjourn into executive session passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Amanda G. Seidel
Village Clerk