

Village of La Grange Park
Work Session Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2021

A Work Session Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled July 13, 2021, at 7:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

Village President James Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. President Discipio asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. President Discipio then asked Village Clerk Meghan Kooi to call the roll.

Board Members in attendance were *(unless otherwise noted)*:

Trustees:	Robert Lautner Jamie Zaura Amanda Seidel Karen Koncel Michael Sheehan Jermaine Stewart
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Village President:	James Discipio
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Also in Attendance were:

Village Manager:	Julia Cedillo
Assistant Village Manager:	Maggie Jarr
Finance Director:	Larry Noller
Village Clerk:	Meghan Kooi
Village Attorney:	Cathy Keating
Village Engineer:	Mark Lucas
Public Works Director:	Rick Radde
Police Chief:	Tim Contois
Director of Building and Fire:	Dean Maggos

Village Clerk Kooi informed President Discipio that a quorum was present.

Recognition of Police Sergeant Felix Hernandez on His Retirement

President Discipio recognized Police Sergeant Felix Hernandez on his retirement. President Discipio thanked Sgt. Hernandez for his 34 years of service and presented him with a plaque from the Village.

Swearing-In of Timothy Jania to the Office of Sergeant of Police

Village Clerk Kooi conducted the swearing-in of Sergeant Timothy Jania. Police Chief Tim Contois thanked Sgt. Jania for his service to the Village and congratulated him on his promotion.

Public Participation (Agenda & Non-Agenda Related Items)

Ms. Donna Draganaitis of the 700 block of Barnsdale Road addressed the Board regarding her concerns about the recent flooding in the Village. Ms. Dorren Gertsen-Briand and Ms. Bogart addressed the Board in support of preserving the historical integrity of the structures in La Grange Park. Ms. Dorin (?) referenced the potential sale of the American Nuclear Society and asked that the Village Board look into an adaptive reuse of the building.

Administration Committee Items

Trustee Karen Koncel read the Agenda Memo Item Health Insurance Intergovernmental Agreements. Trustee Koncel stated the agreement would be beneficial for all of the agencies involved and she was in full support. Trustees Lautner and Sheehan stated the agreements were something that had been done in the past and they were in full support. *At the*

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end of the discussion, Trustee Koncel made a Motion: (1) To Approve an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of La Grange Park and the Community Park District of La Grange Park. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Trustee Koncel made a Motion: (2) To Approve an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of La Grange Park and the La Grange Park Public Library District. The motion was seconded by Trustee Seidel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Building and Zoning Committee Items

Trustee Jamie Zaura provided information on the American Nuclear Society Property. The owners of the property had expressed that they would likely be putting the property up for sale in July or August of 2021. When sold, the special use permit that was given to the property in 1976 will expire, and the property will go back to being zoned for single family homes. Village Attorney Cathy Keating stated the property must be reverted to single family homes based on the current law that was addressed in both 2006 and 2011. As there is no current petitioner to buy the property, and since it is not on the market, the Village Board cannot address what the property will be once sold. A new petitioner may want to petition to rewrite the zoning code that is in place, but the process will need to play out in the future and follow the proper channels.

Trustee Zaura read the Agenda Memo Item Fiscal 2021/22 Budget Amendment – Sewer Back-Up Prevention Program. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Zaura made a Motion: To Approve a Resolution Amending the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/22 for the Village of La Grange Park. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lautner and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Public Works Committee Items

Trustee Michael Sheehan read the Agenda Memo Item FY 21/22 Sewer Cleaning and Televising – Edwin Hancock Engineering Agreement. *At the end of the discussion, there was Consensus to place the Motion: To Approve And Authorize The Village Manager To Execute Agreements Between The Village Of La Grange Park And Edwin Hancock Engineering For Engineering Services In An Amount Not To Exceed \$7,500 For Design And Construction Engineering For The 2021/2022 Sewer Cleaning And Televising Program on the July 27, 2021 Village Board Consent Agenda.*

Trustee Sheehan read the Agenda Memo Item 2021/2022 Sewer Repair Program – Engineering Agreement. *At the end of the discussion, there was a Consensus to place the Motion: To Approve And Authorize The Village Manager To Execute Agreements Between The Village Of La Grange Park And Edwin Hancock Engineering For Engineering Services In An Amount Not To Exceed \$20,000 For Design And Construction Engineering For The 2021/2022 Sewer Repair Program on the July 27, 2021 Village Board Consent Agenda.*

Trustee Sheehan read the Agenda Memo Item Sewer Lining Program – Edwin Hancock Engineering Agreement. *At the end of the discussion, there was a Consensus to place the Motion: To Approve And Authorize The Village Manager To Execute Agreements Between The Village Of La Grange Park And Edwin Hancock Engineering For Engineering Services In An Amount Not To Exceed \$16,000 For Design And Construction Engineering For The 2021/2022 Sewer Lining Project on the July 27, 2021 Village Board Consent Agenda.*

Trustee Sheehan read the Agenda Memo Item MFT General Maintenance Resolution. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Lautner requested that the Motion: To Adopt A “Resolution For Maintenance Of Streets And Highways By Municipality Under The Illinois Highway Code” For The Expenditure Of \$448,974.00 In MFT Funds not be placed on the July 27, 2021 Village Board Consent Agenda. The Agenda Memo Item will be placed as a discussion and action item under the Public Works Committee Report at the July 27, 2021 Village Board Meeting.*

Public Works Director Rick Radde provided the Village Board with a presentation on the Geographical Information System (GIS). Public Works Director Radde provided information on the desktop version of myGIS, an example of the Water System Dashboard Suite, and the App that will be available for smartphones. Mr. Ralph Nikischer, the Village’s

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MGP Account Client Manager, also attended the meeting to provide the Board with information and answer any questions.

Finance Committee Items

Trustee Robert Lautner read the Agenda Memo Item PMA Investment Services. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Lautner made a Motion: (1) To Approve “A Resolution Authorizing PMA Financial Network, Inc. and PMA Securities, Inc. to Provide Investment Services for the Village of La Grange Park, Cook County, Illinois. The motion was seconded by Trustee Seidel and passed unanimously by roll call vote. Trustee Lautner made a Motion: (2) To Approve an “Ordinance Designating Village Depository and Financial Institutions and Authorized Signers.” The motion was seconded by Trustee Seidel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Other Reports

President Discipio called upon Village Manager Julia Cedillo for a report. Village Manager Cedillo had one item to report on. Village Manager Cedillo provided an update on the June 26, 2021 storm event that had resulted in flooding throughout the community. The total rainfall accumulation was 4 ½ inches, with over 2 inches of rain falling in less than 2 hours. Assistant Village Manager Jarr had helped to arrange a special garbage pick-up for flood damaged items over the course of 2 days following the storm event. Residents were encouraged to visit the Village’s website and review the 2012 Flood Mitigation Plan for additional information on the Village’s response to flood events in the community. Village Manager Cedillo reviewed several projects that Village Staff were working on to bring some flood relief to residents. The Village was working with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) on a Green Intersection Project, the grant application for Rebuild Illinois was still pending state approval, and Village Manager Cedillo and President Discipio would be meeting with Representative La Shawn Ford to discuss the community need for funding to help mitigate the flooding issues.

President Discipio called upon Village Clerk Kooi for a report. There was nothing to report.

President Discipio had several items to report on. President Discipio commended the Village Board for the successful Board Retreat that took place on July 10, 2021. He stated the Village Board and Staff golf outing had been scheduled for August 13, 2021 and more information would be sent out shortly.

New Business

There was none.

Adjourn

Since there was no further business to be brought before the Village Board, President Discipio stated he would entertain a motion to move into Executive Session. *Trustee Lautner made a Motion: To move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body according to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1). The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Meghan Kooi
Village Clerk