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VILLAGE OF BARRINGTON HILLS

Minutes of the Special Continued Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Monday, September 29, 2014

President McLaughlin called the Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call.

Present

Martin J. McLaughlin, President
Fritz H. Gohl, President Pro Tem
Joseph S. Messer, Trustee
Karen S. Selman, Trustee
Patty Meroni, Trustee
Colleen Konicek, Trustee
Michael Harrington, Trustee

Michael Murphy, Police Chief
Rich Semelsberger, Deputy Chief
Patrick Bond, Temporary Village Attorney
Robert Kosin, Village Administrator
Dolores Trandel, Village Clerk

Guests

Pamela Cools, resident
Linda Cools, resident
Mary Naumann, resident
Jean Maddrell, resident
Barbara Kemp, resident
Jan C. Goss, resident
Leslie Coolidge, resident
Jim Hammond, resident
Sandra Boston, resident
Jack Reich, resident

PUBLIC SESSION

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Public Comments were given by the following:

P. Denise Israel

Audio on these comments can be located at the Village Web Site – www.vbhil.gov. Any written comments handed to the Village Clerk will be posted as an attachment to the Agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Selman motioned to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 26, 2014 meeting that are merely a summary and an attempt to reference comments that took place on the Board. Trustee Meroni seconded. Trustees Messer previously questioned an insertion of an opinion letter from Attorney Bond. Trustee Harrington motioned to table these minutes so the Board had the opportunity to read these minutes in whole. Trustee Selman seconded. Trustees Messer, Selman, Meroni, Konicek, Harrington and President McLaughlin said Aye. Trustee Gohl abstained.

Motion Table

FINANCE – Karen S. Selman

Bills for Approval - Trustee Selman stated that there was a question on the Woodland Landscaping bill. Trustee Selman explained that there were two separate bills, one from June 24th for \$6,537.27 for three days and three crews and the other for July 30th for \$3,487.50 for one day, one crew. Trustee Selman motioned to approve the bill from Woodland totaling \$10,024.77. Trustee Konicek seconded. Trustee Meroni suggested that the Village get another bid next year. Roll Call.

Ayes: 7 (Harrington, Konicek, Selman, Meroni, Messer, Gohl, McLaughlin)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion Approved

PUBLIC SAFETY – Fritz H. Gohl

Public Safety Answering Point Report – Trustee Gohl presented this report which was included in the Board of Trustees meeting packet and advised that there will be a public meeting on October 7, 2014 at the Village Hall in reference to the feasibility of outsourcing Police Dispatching. Mr. Jerry Black of Precepts Concepts & Solutions PCS gave a presentation on consolidating communication centers. President McLaughlin commented that this was an evaluation.

Competitive Races or Events Ordinance – Trustee Gohl motioned to approve the Competitive Races or Events Ordinance. Trustee Selman seconded. Trustee Selman had proposed several corrections and changes. Trustee Konicek proposed that we penalize somebody for not obtaining a permit as that gives teeth to this ordinance. If someone is having an event here without obtaining a permit, we can penalize them through a fine. We can institute a fine against the organizer and the participants. She also felt that having consecutive numbers on participants would be a burden. Trustee Messer suggested the wording of having three events unless authorized in a particular year upon the discretion of the Village Board with a majority vote. Trustee Konicek would like the wording on violating the ordinance as follows:

It is unlawful and constitutes an infraction for any person, corporation or city club organization, etc. to violate or fail to comply with the provisions of this ordinance. The violation for failure to comply may be punishable by a fine of \$50.00 against any person

and \$250.00 against any corporation, city club organization, etc., that has violated or failed to comply with the provisions of this ordinance. Trustee Gohl wanted to revisit the dollar figure for up to \$750.00 for any corporation, city club organization, etc.

Trustee Meroni motioned to table this ordinance to further review it after corrections have been made. Trustee Gohl seconded. All present said Aye.

Motion Tabled

BUILDING AND ZONING – Joseph S. Messer

Permit Report – Nine building permits were issued in August, 2014.

Enforcement Report

3 Saville Row – At the September 10, 2014 Special meeting, the Zoning Board of Appeals upheld the Code Enforcement Officer's February 27, 2014 letter for the resident to cease operation of his business on the property. The ZBA Attorney, the Village Prosecutor and the resident's attorney will compile agreed findings of fact by the end of September. The resident has thirty days after the findings of fact are signed to file a petition for court review.

335 Ridge Road Update – As-built drawings were received on August 18th. Based on the Village Engineer's review the septic system was installed in general conformance with the approved plan and complies with the Village septic ordinance.

261 Steeplechase Rd Update – Title search received. During the week of September 15, 2014, Notice of Intent to Demolish Unsafe Property was sent to all necessary and relevant parties; Mr. Koulouris, Mr. Saltourous, their attorneys and Chase Bank (lender of record). If no response, Prosecutor will file with the court seeking an order of demolition.

385 Spring Creek Road Update – Residents have just moved into the home and will meet with their engineer and contractor in the next couple of weeks to design a plan of action. Residents are cooperative and the Building Department will continue to follow up.

551-553 Cuba Road Update – Inspection for compliance scheduled October 29th.

8 Jennifer Court Update – As-built engineering plans were reviewed by the Village Engineer and the drainage modifications were installed in substantial conformance and in compliance with Village requirements. A judgment of \$750.00 was granted in court on September 3, 2014 to be paid within thirty days.

ZBA Report – The Zoning Board of Appeals held Special Meetings on September 9th and 11th to discuss the Horse Boarding Text Amendment. Their recommendation to the Board was the LeCompte Text Amendment. They also had a Special Meeting on

September 10th to discuss the resident of 3 Saville Row, to cease operation of his business on the property. The ZBA Attorney, the Village Prosecutor and the resident's attorney have submitted their findings of fact on September 29th.

Building Code Permit Window and Generator Ordinance – Robert Kosin gave a synopsis of the adoption by the State of an Energy Code and how it preempts Home Rule. Because of this Energy Code, installation of generators and windows will now require a permit at a cost of \$100.00. The \$100.00 is the lowest cost the Village can charge. Trustee Konicek was concerned over charging residents \$100.00 whether they replace one window or five. Trustee Messer stated that the Village would be doing the residents a disservice if they were not aware of the new Energy Code. President McLaughlin asked Mr. Kosin to instruct Deputy Clerk, Anna Paul, to place these requirements by the State on our website. Trustee Selman motioned to approve an Ordinance amending Plan Review and Inspection of Title 4 of the Village Code by providing for generators and the energy Code requirements. Trustee Harrington seconded. Roll Call.

Ayes: 3 (Harrington, Selman, Messer,)
Nays: 4 (Konicek, Meroni, Gohl, McLaughlin)
Absent: 0

Motion Denied

Trustee Messer suggested that the Building Department have a pamphlet advising of the State Energy Code.

PLANNING – Colleen Konicek

The September 8, 2014 meeting was cancelled. The only item on the agenda is an application on the provisions of the Tree Preservation Ordinance. The applicant has asked for several continuances and is believed to be appearing at the October 15th Plan Commission meeting.

INSURANCE – Michael Harrington

Monthly Report – Trustee Harrington advised that the Insurance Committee met earlier this month and talked about three things. They received a preliminary assessment summary of 2013 and looked at 2014 expectations and thirdly, talked about Wellness programs. Workers Comp is down significantly and it looks like it will come down a couple of percent. The employees share of the deductible increased and for the first time, employee sharing in the premium has been implemented. Insurance quotes will be coming in October and we are very optimistic that the rate increases will be modest. We won't know on the Property and Casualty until November.

On the Wellness Program, only seven employees are using it and they are reimbursed \$250 or \$300 if they visit the health club 96 times a year.

HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Michael Harrington

Monthly Report

Village Hall: Geary Electric provided the report for the thermo scan conducted by Thermo-Optics and a quote for the recommended repairs of the main electrical distribution system at the Village Hall, not to exceed \$4,387.00.

Village Hall grounds: The large maple tree at the north entrance and two ash trees on the south side of the Village Hall are in need of replacement and the plan is to replace them this fall.

Fire Station: Kings Contracting completed the recommended repairs to the Fire Station roof on Friday August 22nd as quoted.

Village Police Department: A proposal was received from Gilcor Corporation to remove and replace damaged quarry tiles in lock-up and to remove and replace all flooring in the men's and women's locker rooms.

Trustee Harrington reported on the pumpkin collection at Prairieland Disposal & Recycling, keeping organic waste out of landfills that will take place in the months of October and November. He is also exploring a larger area for recycling Styrofoam, possibly by the barn. Trustee Gohl reported that Cuba Township is no longer taking paint.

Board of Health Report –On Tuesday, September 9th, 2014 the Board of Health met to consider a variance application for a septic system at 22 Spring Lane.

A permit to replace the existing septic system at 22 Spring Lane was received on August 19, 2014 and reviewed by GHA. In order to meet the required 24" vertical separation from the limiting layer, the septic design engineer proposed a Type V mound septic system. As the Village Code does not include design criteria for this type of system, the system was designed in accordance with Lake County septic design standards and a variance was requested. Upon review and consideration of the documents, the Board approved a variance to allow the mound septic system at the property in question.

Flint Creek Testing Program – Currently, annual surface water quality testing is completed at six locations in the Village, four on Flint Creek and two on Spring Creek, pursuant to the requirements of the Village's NPDES permit. Annual water quality reports have been completed since 2009 and submitted to the IEPA, with the most recent report posted on the Village website.

Dr. Thomsen proposed to implement a more detailed testing program coordinated among the various BACOG communities. This coordination would eliminate duplicate tests (tests taken in substantially the same locations as a creek leaves one community and enters another), while testing for a number of analytes that are not currently

required. Dr. Thomsen noted that the program would establish a more complete baseline of water quality characteristics, allowing the Village to assess the current condition and evaluate how potential pollutant removal strategies may help improve water quality.

After consideration of the presentation by Dr. Thomsen, a motion was approved by the Board of Health to recommend that the Village Board support the concept of testing current water quality conditions in order to provide a baseline of current conditions and fulfill the Village's annual obligations under the NPDES permit, provided appropriate funding is available.

Trustee Meroni motioned to accept the Flint Creek Testing Program. Trustee Selman seconded. All present said Aye.

Motion Approved

Temporary ATTORNEY – Patrick Bond

Pending Litigation – Updates included in Board of Trustees packet.

Public Comment Rules – Since the adoption of rules for Public Comment, the Attorney General issued a binding opinion (14-009) that the requirement to provide an address as a condition to speak is a violation of the Open Meetings Act. Trustee Gohl motioned to approve the Public comment Rules. Trustee Meroni seconded. All present said Aye.

Motion Approved

ADMINISTRATION – President McLaughlin

Village Attorney RFQ – Trustee Selman made a motion to approve the RFQ as written. Trustee Gohl seconded. Trustee Konicek motioned to amend Section IX by only leaving the first sentence. Trustee Harrington seconded. Trustee Konicek motioned to further amend the RFQ that responses come back by October 15th by 5:00 p.m. and finalist in-person presentation and Q & A session on October 21, 2014. Trustee Meroni seconded. All present said Aye.

Motion Approved

Collective Bargain Negotiations Report – President McLaughlin stated that we have been notified by MAP to initiate and begin Collective Bargaining discussions with our sworn police officers. Initial negotiations will begin on October 16th. The current contract expires on December 31, 2014. Attorney Ted Clark, who was our attorney at the last negotiation, will also be involved in this.

The Hills are Alive Report – President McLaughlin gave a brief update on the Hills are Alive which will take place on Saturday, October 25, 2014. The Event is rain or shine as there is a large indoor venue if necessary. The Village is continuing to use donations to fund this Festival and has so far received approximately \$3,800. Deputy Clerk Anna Paul is still looking for more volunteers. No alcohol will be provided this year at the Event.

Village Survey Repost – President McLaughlin stated that the results of this survey are posted online and it is just a way to get feedback from residents on how well we are communicating topical issues.

Roads & Bridges Public Meeting – President McLaughlin stated that all of our Boards are public meetings. Roads and Bridges is not a public meeting, and with some of the issues like Longmeadow Parkway and the bicycle lane proposal, it might behoove us to make it a public meeting .

Trustee Meroni responded that there are definitely positives to this as we have some very long term projects, like the Cuba Road Bridge going into the fourth year. People don't understand how long this process can be with planning, contacting residents, all the regulations to follow, testing to follow federal requirements, IDOT, and waiting for approvals from various agencies before we can begin the process. The Longmeadow Parkway project that has been going on for twenty-three years, and no one thought it would ever happen and suddenly Kane County announced that it is coming forward. Roads and Bridges is a staff meeting with the Village Engineer and normally meets early in the week prior to the Board of Trustees meeting. She suggested having quarterly Roads and Bridges meeting open to the public and will come up with a schedule at the next Board meeting.

Trustee Selman motioned to adjourn Public and enter Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and matters of personnel at 8:44 p.m. Trustee Meroni seconded. All present said Aye.

Meeting Adjourned

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President McLaughlin opened the second public session at 9:13 p.m.

Trustee Gohl motioned to adjourn Public at 9:14 p.m. Trustee Meroni seconded. All present said Aye.

Meeting Adjourned

Approved _____