

MINUTES

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

Village Hall Auditorium
53 S. La Grange Rd.
La Grange, IL 60525

Monday, October 10, 2016 - 7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Village Clerk, John Burns. On roll call, as read by Village Clerk John Burns, the following were:

PRESENT: Trustees Arnett, Holder, Kotynek, Kuchler, McCarty, and Trustee Langan presiding as Chairperson Pro Tem.

ABSENT: President Livingston

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn
Assistant Village Manager Andrianna Peterson
Village Attorney Mark Burkland
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone
Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham
Community Development Director Charity Jones
Police Chief Renee Strasser
Fire Chief Don Gay

Village Clerk John Burns announced that President Tom Livingston was unable to attend the Village Board Meeting. Clerk Burns requested a Motion be made to elect senior Trustee Mark Langan to preside the meeting as Chairperson Pro Tem.

Trustee Kuchler moved to elect Trustee Langan as Chairperson Pro Tem, seconded by Trustee Kotynek.

Motion approved by voice vote.

Chairperson Langan asked Village Clerk Burns to lead the audience in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Chairperson Trustee stated he is saddened by the new of DeVries closing. DeVries not only defined the West End Business District but also characterized the Village's small town character. Chairperson Langan thanked DeVries for their exemplary business operation and customer service over the years.

Chairperson Langan provided an update on ComEd's infrastructure improvements. ComEd is in the process of replacing underground electrical cables under Cossitt Avenue from Gilbert Avenue to Tilden Avenue, and on Brainard Avenue from Hillgrove Avenue to Cossitt Avenue. Work is generally scheduled to occur Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The work, including restoration, is expected to be completed by the end of November, 2016. For more information regarding the scope of work, residents should visit the Village's website at www.villageoflagrange.com.

Chairperson Langan thanked Chief Gay and the La Grange Fire Department for providing an excellent opportunity for residents to learn about services provided by the Fire Department and also fire prevention tips at its annual Open House.

Stone Avenue Train Station has been honored with the 2016 Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Preservation Award for restoration. Chairperson Langan congratulated everyone who helped with restoration efforts, an example of successful collaboration between residents, businesses, governmental partners, transportation agencies and citizen volunteers.

Chairperson Langan invited everyone to join local businesses for the Fall Festival and Halloween Walk around downtown La Grange on Saturday, October 29. A Trick or Treat parade will be held by local businesses starting at 10 a.m. at Cossitt School and continue until noon. Visit www.lgba.com for more information.

Halloween Trick or Treating hours on October 31st are 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

A permanent electronics recycling site is located in Burr Rudge at 451 Commerce Street and is open to residents Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more details, please visit the Village website at www.villageoflagrange.com.

The Drug Enforcement Administration is coordinating a national effort to collect unwanted, unused, and expired medications. The La Grange Police Department, located at 304 W. Burlington Avenue, will serve as a regional drop off facility on Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The La Grange Police Department also has a permanent drug disposal box for these items in its lobby.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments regarding agenda items.

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

- A. Award of Contract – Public Works/ 2016 & 2017 Tree Trimming Program
- B. Material Purchase – Public Works/ FY 2016-2017 Tree Planting Program
Resolution – Public Works/ Suburban Tree Consortium
- C. Ordinance – Disposal of Surplus Property/ Miscellaneous Personal
Property/ Police Department
- D. Consolidated Voucher 161010
- E. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting,
Monday, September 26, 2016

Trustee Holder asked Director of Public Works Ryan Gillingham about the details of the Tree Planting Program. Director Gillingham explained the Village is planting 185 trees after having removed 51. The 185 trees will fill empty spaces throughout the Village.

With no further comments, Trustee Holder moved to approve the Omnibus Agenda, seconded by Trustee McCarty. Approved by 6 to 0 roll call vote:

Ayes: Trustees Arnett, Holder, Kotynek, Kuchler, Langan and McCarty
Nays: None
Absent: President Livingston

5. CURRENT BUSINESS

None.

6. MANAGER'S REPORT

No report.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON AGENDA

None.

9. CLOSED SESSION

Not applicable.

8. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Kuchler commented on DeVries closing. Trustee Kuchler applauded their support in the Village over the years and wished them the best.

Trustee McCarty congratulated Assistant Village Manager Andri Peterson and contributing staff for the Stone Avenue Restoration Award. Trustee McCarty also noted that Cook County published "Connecting Cook County," a report on Cook County's transportation plans that residents should read to better understand impacts of the County's future plans.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:42 p.m. Trustee Holder moved to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Kotynek. Motion approved by a voice vote.



Thomas E. Livingston, Village President

ATTEST:



John Burns, Village Clerk

Approved Date: