

MINUTES

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Village Hall Auditorium
53 South La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525

Monday, September 8, 2008 - 7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT: Trustees Kuchler, Langan, Livingston, Palermo, and Wolf

ABSENT: Trustee Horvath

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn
Assistant Village Manager Andrianna Peterson
Village Attorney Mark Burkland
Community Development Director Patrick Benjamin
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone
Assistant Public Works Director Mike Bojovic
Fire Chief David Fleege
Police Chief Mike Holub
Doings Reporter Jane Michaels

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Oath of Office – Firefighter / Paramedic Daniel Rietveld

President Asperger stated that a vacancy occurred within the Fire Department and the La Grange Board of Fire and Police Commission appointed Daniel Rietveld to the position of Firefighter / Paramedic effective September 2, 2008. President Asperger welcomed Daniel who is a licensed paramedic and certified firefighter. Village Clerk Milne administered the Oath of Office to Firefighter/Paramedic Daniel Rietveld.

President Asperger thanked everyone involved in the successful fund raising charity auction of “Lounging In La Grange Chairs” sponsored by the La Grange Business Association. President Asperger also noted the success of the West End Art Fair held on September 6 and 7.

President Asperger announced that the Robert E. Coulter American Legion Post is conducting a Patriot's Day ceremony on Thursday, September 11 at 7:55 a.m.

The 17th Annual Race Unity Day rally will be on Sunday, September 14 in the Village Hall Auditorium at 3:00 p.m.

The Village Board will host a series of Town Meetings throughout various locations with the first being on September 22, 2008 at Spring Avenue School. Residents were encouraged to attend and express comments on topics of interest to the Village.

Lastly, President Asperger noted that staff continues to work, as previously directed by the Board, toward preparing the framework for a redevelopment agreement for the proposed renovation of the La Grange Theatre. President Asperger noted that because of upcoming Town Meetings, there may be a Special Village Board meeting, to publicly review and receive comments relating to the La Grange Theatre. President Asperger stated that the date and time are yet to be determined, however notification will be publicized when available.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

John Edinger and Maria Nidos, 26 S. Ashland noted their presence if the Board had any questions regarding their request for a variation.

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

- A. Ordinance (#O-08-22) – Variation – Side and Rear Yard Regulations for Accessory Structure / John Edinger and Maria Nidos, 226 S. Ashland
- B. Ordinance (#O-08-23) – Variation – Fence Height on Corner Side Yard / 30 N. Brainard Avenue
- C. Ordinance (#O-08-24) – Variation – Side Yard Regulations for Accessory Structures / 1 N. Edgewood
- D. (Moved to Current Business for further discussion.)
- E. Purchase – Public Works Department / Replacement Dump Truck
- F. Consolidated Voucher 080908 (\$748,895.35)
- G. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, Monday, August 25, 2008

It was moved by Trustee Langan to approve items A, B, C, D, E, F, and G of the Omnibus Agenda, seconded by Trustee Livingston. Trustee Palermo requested

item 4-D be removed from the Omnibus Agenda and placed under Current Business for further discussion.

It was moved by Trustee Langan to amend the motion to approve items A, B, C, E, F, and G of the Omnibus, seconded by Trustee Wolf. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Kuchler, Langan, Livingston, Palermo, Wolf and President Asperger
Nays: None
Absent: Trustee Horvath

5. CURRENT BUSINESS

4-D. Purchase – Public Works Department / Replacement Asphalt Roller and Trailer: Referred to Trustee Palermo

Trustee Palermo presented the item by explaining that the current roller requires frequent maintenance and does not have safety features that are available on newer models. Trustee Palermo inquired why the Board is asked to waive the competitive bidding process when competitive quotations had been received from various vendors.

Finance Director Lou Cipparrone explained that the formal bidding process requires written solicitation, advertisement, and receipt of sealed bids. In certain circumstances, it is in the Village's best interest to solicit competitive quotations, which accomplish the same objectives as receiving sealed bids. Other times, the Village is limited to sole source vendors.

Trustee Palermo inquired the need for the equipment and Assistant Public Works Director Mike Bojovic indicated the roller currently being used is 17 years old and parts for repairs are obsolete. Mr. Bojovic noted the equipment is utilized frequently.

Trustee Palermo moved to waive the competitive bidding process and authorize staff to enter into an agreement with Volvo Construction of Villa Park, Illinois for the purchase of a DD24 roller at a cost of \$30,926, seconded by Trustee Livingston. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Kuchler, Langan, Livingston, Palermo, and Wolf
Nays: None
Absent: Trustee Horvath

6. MANAGER'S REPORT

Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn gave detailed information regarding voter registration noting requirements and deadlines. Mr. Pilipiszyn explained Cook County's options for early voting as well as absentee voting.

Mr. Pilipiszyn announced the Village has recently received information from Cook County regarding a new program providing for the safe disposal of medications. Mr. Pilipiszyn indicated that details would be posted on the Village website.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS NOT ON AGENDA

Pastor Debra Williams inquired about the reason for polling locations being changed. Village Manager Pilipiszyn noted that the Village is only an agent of Cook County and has no control over the County Clerk's decision to remove or relocate polling locations. Mr. Pilipiszyn indicated the best source for information on polling places is the County's website.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Kuchler encouraged safe driving habits, especially in and around schools. Trustee Kuchler inquired if schools and or the Police could coordinate a plan for patrolling traffic at school dismissal times. President Asperger noted that all schools have a plan in place; some are more effective than others in communicating with parents and thus achieve compliance.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:04 p.m. it was moved by Trustee Langan to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Livingston. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Elizabeth M. Asperger, Village President

ATTEST:

Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk

Approved Date