

MINUTES

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

Monday, June 9, 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 7:37 p.m. by President Asperger. On roll call, as read by Village Clerk Robert Milne, the following were present:

PRESENT: Trustees Kuchler, Langan, Palermo, and Wolf

ABSENT: Trustee Horvath and Trustee Livingston

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

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Resolution of Appreciation – Retirement of Public Works Director, Ken Watkins

President Asperger recited a Resolution of Appreciation for Public Works Director Ken Watkins and on behalf of the entire Village Board expressed sincere gratitude and deepest appreciation for his many years of public service by presenting him with an engraved plaque.

It was moved by Trustee Langan to approve the Resolution of Appreciation for Public Works Director Ken Watkins, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

B. Re-appointments – Advisory Boards and Commissions

President Asperger recommended the reappointments of the following: Mr. Mark Lies who resides at 437 S. Spring to serve on the Board of Fire and Police Commission until 2010; Mr. Larry Gess who resides at 140 S. Sixth to serve on the Board of Fire and Police Commission until 2011; Ms. Taylor Jaeger who resides at 420 Burlington, #403 to serve on the Community and Economic Development Commission until 2011; Mr. Roger Laven who resides at 14 S. Ashland, #210 to serve on the Community and Economic Development Commission until 2011; Ms. Margaret Carlson who resides at 1105 W. Hillgrove to serve on the Community and Economic Development Commission until 2011; Ms. Andrea Barnish who resides at 1101 W. Cossitt to serve on the Design Review Commission until 2010; Ms. Regina McClinton who resides at 208 East to serve on the Design Review Commission until 2011; Mr. Matthew Malec who resides at 500 S. Edgewood to serve on the Design Review Commission until 2011; Ms. Barb Wolf, who resides at 213 S. Ashland to serve on the Emergency Telephone System Board until 2009; Mr. Lou Cipparrone to serve on the Firemen's Pension Board until 2011; Mr. William Holder who resides at 611 S. Waiola to serve on the Plan Commission until 2011; Mr. Wayne Kardatzke who resides at 79 S. Seventh to serve on the Plan Commission until 2010; Mr. Mike Holub to serve on the Police Pension Board until 2010; Ms. Ellen Brewin, who resides at 217 S. Park to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals until 2011; Mr. Ian Brenson who resides at 301 S. Park to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals until 2011; Mr. Nat Pappalardo who resides at 212 E. Elm to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals until 2011; and Ms. Nancy Pierson who resides at 408 Sunset to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals until 2011.

It was moved by Trustee Langan to approve the reappointments as recommended, seconded by Trustee Wolf. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

President Asperger expressed heartfelt sympathy to the DeVries family at the loss of Richard "Dick" Devries founder of DeVries Grocery and Market.

A thank you was extended to the departments of Public Works, Police and Fire for their hard work in the preparation related to the success of the recent Pet Parade.

Special thanks was also extended to the La Grange Garden Club for their efforts in designing and assisting with the plantings throughout the Village.

President Asperger proudly noted that La Grange was recently featured on CLTV's Metromix and invited residents to view the video clip at www.cltv.com.

The Robert E. Coulter American Legion Post 1941 will conduct a flag disposal ceremony on Flag Day, June 14, at 6:00 p.m. for residents who wish to respectfully dispose of unserviceable, torn or faded flags.

The public is invited to attend the continued discussion of the La Grange Theater which will be at the next regular Village Board meeting on June 23.

The fireworks display for the 4th of July at the La Grange Country Club will no longer be open to the public. Alternate viewing areas were announced.

Lastly, President Asperger noted that the Closed Session as listed on the agenda is canceled for this evening.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

Mary Nelson, 1200 Carriage Lane expressed her thanks to Public Works personnel. Ms. Nelson also expressed her hopes that DeVries family members would continue to operate the business.

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

- A. Ordinance (#O-08-13) – Special Use/Site Plan Approval to Allow Stone Cutting and Grinding with Outdoor Storage Within the I-1Light Industrial District, Granite Planet, Inc., 26 N. Beach Avenue
- B. Ordinance (#O-08-14) – Resubdivision of Lots, 71-75 S. La Grange Road
- C. Award of Contract – Replacement of Audio / Visual System, Village Hall Auditorium (Roscor, Mount Prospect, Illinois \$44,782.19)
- D. Professional Services Agreement – Executive Recruitment Services / Director of Public Works (PAR Group, Lake Bluff, Illinois - \$13,500)
- E. Ordinance (#O-08-15) and Resolution (#R-08-06) Continuation of Local Elevator Inspection Program
- F. Ordinance (#O-08-16) Prevailing Wages
- G. Consolidated Voucher 080526 (\$644,505.88)
- H. Consolidated Voucher 080609 (\$524,211.68)
- I. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, Monday, May 12, 2008

It was moved by Trustee Langan to approve items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I of the Omnibus Agenda, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Approved by roll call vote.

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

Trustee Palermo inquired about several issues relating to the purchase of the sound system for the Village Hall Auditorium and Assistant Village Manager Andrianna Peterson responded accordingly.

5. CURRENT BUSINESS

A. Special Event – La Grange Art & Craft Fair: Referred to Trustee Wolf

Trustee Wolf noted that the Village has received a request from the La Grange Business Association to hold the annual art and craft fair on Saturday and Sunday, July 12 and 13, 2008. The location utilized for the past few years was found to be favorable and is being requested again this year, however it will again be necessary for the Board to approve various road closures.

It was moved by Trustee Wolf to approve the closure of Harris Avenue west of La Grange Road to Ashland Avenue and Madison Avenue from Harris Avenue south to just north of the entrance to the parking lot located at Harris and Madison Avenues and the closure of Village Parking Lots 3 and 4 on July 12 and 13, 2008 for the 2008 La Grange Art and Craft Fair, seconded by Trustee Langan. Approved by a roll call vote.

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

6. MANAGER'S REPORT

Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn noted that the Des Plaines Valley Mosquito Abatement District has notified the Village that it has commenced with treatment operations for the 2008 mosquito season. Mr. Pilipiszyn indicated that the District may utilize chemical spraying as a preventative means and referred the public to the District's website at www.desplainesvalleymad.com.

Mr. Pilipiszyn reminded residents that sprinkling restrictions are in effect.

Lastly, Mr. Pilipiszyn publicly thanked Public Works Director Ken Watkins for his years of service and wished him well in his retirement.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS NOT ON AGENDA

Mary Nelson, 1200 Carriage Lane, as a Library Trustee invited the public to attend an Open House at the Library on Wednesday, June 18 in honor of retiring Library Executive Director Steve Moskal.

Harold Held, 124 S. Waiola Avenue, presented information relative to the environmentally safe and proper disposal of fluorescent light bulbs. President Asperger noted that the West Central Municipal Conference is working on locating areas to properly dispose of such items.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Closed Session – Purchase, Sale, or Lease of Real Property. *Cancelled.*

9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Palermo praised the youth from Lyons Township High Schools in their efforts to raise funds for cancer research with the “Relay for Life” event. Trustee Palermo also encouraged residents to drop off worn or unserviceable flags at the Fire Department for proper disposal.

Trustee Kuchler extended congratulations to retiring Public Works Director Ken Watkins. Trustee Kuchler expressed condolences to the DeVries family for their loss.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:20 p.m. it was moved by Trustee Langan to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Elizabeth M. Asperger, Village President

ATTEST:

Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk

Approved Date