

Village of La Grange



**SPECIAL
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2008

7:30 p.m.

Village Hall Auditorium

53 South La Grange Road

La Grange, IL 60525

Elizabeth M. Asperger
Village President

Robert N. Milne
Village Clerk

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING

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AGENDA

Monday, April 28, 2008 – 7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

*President Elizabeth Asperger
Trustee Mike Horvath
Trustee Mark Kuchler
Trustee Mark Langan
Trustee Tom Livingston
Trustee Jim Palermo
Trustee Barb Wolf*

2. RECOGNITION OF CITIZEN VOLUNTEERS

At this time, President Asperger and the Village Board would like to proclaim their gratitude to numerous citizen volunteers who have rendered thoughtful and dedicated service to the Village by participating on various advisory boards and commissions over the past year. Their contributions of talent and energy, and the sacrifice of time away from their families and other pursuits, in no small part continues to make La Grange a wonderful Village.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The Village of La Grange is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who require certain accommodations so that they can observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions, regarding the accessibility of the meeting or the Village's facilities, should contact the Village's ADA Coordinator at (708) 579-2315 promptly to allow the Village to make reasonable accommodations for those persons.

Introduction: Fire Chief Dave Fleege

BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

(3-year term, 3 members)

In accordance with state statute, the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners (BOFPC) oversees certain personnel matters within the Fire and Police Departments. More specifically, they are responsible for the initial appointment of all full-time firefighters/paramedics and police officers; make promotional appointments; and administer disciplinary action.

This past year, the BOFPC has developed a new Police Promotional Sergeant Eligibility Register, Police Officer Eligibility Register and a Firefighter/Paramedic Eligibility Register. The BOFPC has also amended their rules and regulations to coincide with the Firefighters Promotional Act.

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| Mark A. Lies, II, Chairman | — | 9 years |
| Larry Gess | — | 5 years |
| Wayne Vantluka | — | 1½ years |

Introduction: Trustee Mark Langan

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

(3-year term, 9 members)

This past October, we amended the Village Code to restructure the Economic Development Commission into a newly formed commission called the Community and Economic Development Commission (CEDC). The CEDC was established to advise the Village Board and staff on matters related to economic development and relationships among residential neighborhoods and commercial areas within the community.

The CEDC discussed policy points related to the renovation of the La Grange Theater and recommended to the Village Board that the theater is a community asset and one which should be preserved. The CEDC is currently considering business concerns relating to continued growth and reinvestment in our west end corridor.

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| Taylor Jaeger, Chairman | — | 12 years |
| Roger Laven | — | 17 years |
| Steve Palmer | — | 8 years |
| Jeff Nowak | — | 8 mos. |
| Peter O'Connor | — | 8 mos. |
| Margaret Carlson | — | 6 mos. |
| Mark Reich | — | 6 mos. |
| Elizabeth Stiles | — | 6 mos. |
| Lester Williams | — | 6 mos. |

We would also like to recognize and thank John Moellman and Joleen Tschaikovsky who stepped down from the EDAC after serving the Village for 17 years .

Introduction: Trustee Mark Kuchler

DESIGN REVIEW COMMISSION

(3-year term, 7 members)

The Design Review Commission (DRC) reviews matters related to the Central Business District Facade Renovation/Restoration program; reviews and offers recommendations to the Village Board on Design Review applications within the Design Overlay District (which encompasses La Grange Road from Ogden Avenue to Brewster Avenue; Hillgrove Avenue from Ashland Avenue to Arlington Street; Burlington Avenue from Kensington Avenue to Brainard Avenue; and Ogden Avenue from La Grange Road to East Avenue); and reviews appeals denying sign permits.

In fiscal year 2007-08 the DRC has reviewed one Design Review Permit application for 512 W. Burlington Avenue.

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| Andrea Barnish, Chairman | — | 16 years |
| Edward Marcisz | — | 17 years |
| Regina McClinton | — | 17 years |
| Matthew S. Malec, III | — | 8 years |
| Mark Ozer | — | 6 years |
| Tim Reardon | — | 1 year |
| Gary Young | — | 1 year |

We would also like to recognize and thank Francesca Siciliano-Andrews who stepped down from the DRC after serving the Village for 8 years.

Introduction: Trustee Jim Palermo

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION

(2-year term, 7 members)

The Environmental Quality Control Commission inventories sources of environmental pollution which may have a harmful effect upon the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village. Public Notices from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to the Village are referred to them for review and comment. Examples of past contributions include advising the Village Board on the proposed expansion of the Deep Tunnel into the McCook Quarry (TARP); the proposed mining expansion of the McCook Quarry; and the proposed wood-burning incinerator in McCook.

Over the past year, the EQCC has advised the Village on the solid waste contract, reviewed several permit notices involving area industries, and most recently, participated in the “Cool Cities” Workshop series.

The Commission has and will continue to become increasingly active with heightened public awareness on environmental issues and initiatives.

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| Glenn Wentink, Chairman | — | 20 years |
| Harlan Hirt | — | 34 years |
| Patty Weber | — | 28 years |
| Richard Battistoni | — | 18 years |
| F. Peter Gabrek | — | 9 years |

Introduction: Trustee Barb Wolf

PARKING COMMISSION

(5-year term, 5 members)

Parking Commission reviews and makes recommendations to the Village Board on various matters pertaining to parking, particularly issues impacting our residential neighborhoods.

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| Mary Nelson, Chairman | — | 29 years |
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| Richard Mann | — | 19 years |
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| Jimmi Marshall | — | 11 years |
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Introduction: Trustee Tom Livingston

PLAN COMMISSION

(3-year term, 7 members)

The Plan Commission reviews and recommends applications for special use permits, planned development approval, site plan approval, amendments to the Zoning Code and official map, vacation of public rights-of-way, and subdivision plats.

Review of the redevelopment proposal for the YMCA occupied much of the Plan Commission's docket over the past year. The Plan Commission conducted six public meetings and workshops, and heard nearly twelve hours of public testimony on the matter. In the end, after many hours of discussion and collaboration with the developer, the Plan Commission unanimously recommended approval of the proposed development.

The Plan Commission will soon embark on the second phase of Zoning Code amendments involving residential districts.

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| Stephen Randolph, Chairman | — | 18 years |
| Roger Tyrrell | — | 20 years |
| Wayne Kardatzke | — | 13 years |
| Jerry Reich | — | 8 years |
| Tom Williams | — | 1 year |
| Laura Weyrauch | — | 1 year |
| William Holder* | — | 1 year |

*William Holder previously served on the Zoning Board of Appeals for 8 years.

Introduction: Trustee Mike Horvath

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

(5-year term, 7 members)

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) reviews applications for relief from one or more requirements of the Village's Zoning Code, conducts public hearings and makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees regarding those applications for zoning variations. Typical requests for zoning variations relate to front and rear yard setbacks, building coverage, signage, fences, garage size requirements, and the like.

In fiscal year 2007-08, fifteen (15) cases were heard by the ZBA. The ZBA also participated in a Village Board training workshop on variation standards and how they are to be applied.

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| Ellen Brewin, Chairman | — | 14 years |
| Nat Pappalarado | — | 25 years |
| Charles Benson, Jr. | — | 18 years |
| Nancy Pierson | — | 2 years |
| Ian Brenson | — | 2 years |
| Kathy Schwappach | — | 2 years |
| Rosemary Naseef | — | 8 mos. |

CITIZEN VOLUNTEERS APPOINTED TO INDIVIDUAL POSITIONS

1. Jim Liotta, Director, Police Auxiliary —

The Village of La Grange is fortunate to be served by an Auxiliary Police Force. These are unpaid public safety officers. They are led by Director Jim Liotta. Jim has been an Auxiliary Police Officer for the Village of La Grange for over 25 years. He has been Director for the past 14 years.

Introduction: Chief Mike Holub

2. Richard Holly, Trustee, West Suburban Mass Transit District —

The West Suburban Mass Transit District was created in 1970 through a federal endowment to: monitor passenger rail services provided by the Burlington Northern Railroad and METRA; provide financial assistance to member communities to implement commuter-related improvements; and financially support system-wide improvements, such as purchasing passenger rail cars to be used exclusively on the Chicago to Aurora rail line. La Grange is a charter member. As such, the Village appoints a resident to the District's Board of Trustees. The Village's current representative to the District is Richard Holly. Mr. Holly has served on the Board since 2002.

Introduction: Bob Pilipiszyn, Village Manager

3. Lawrence Kinports, Village Comptroller —

Lawrence Kinports is a former Village Trustee and currently serves the Village as its Comptroller. As Village Comptroller, Mr. Kinports provides oversight to the Finance Department, including review of the annual budget, audit and interim financial reports for the purpose of advising the Village Board on the financial position of the Village. He has been the Village Comptroller for 8 years.

Introduction: Lou Cipparrone, Finance Director

