

Village of La Grange



**SPECIAL
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

MONDAY, MAY 7, 2007

7:30 p.m.

Village Hall Auditorium

53 S. 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, May 7, 2007 – 7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

*President Elizabeth Asperger
Trustee Richard Cremieux
Trustee Mike Horvath
Trustee Mark Langan
Trustee Tom Livingston
Trustee Nicholas Pann
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 Lieutenant Eligibility Register and is working on developing a new Police Promotional Sergeant Eligibility Register and a Firefighter/Paramedic Eligibility Register. The BOFPC has been working on amending their rules and regulations to coincide with the Firefighters Promotional Act, and this project should be finalized in the next couple of months.

Mark A. Lies, II, Chairman	—	8 years
Larry Gess	—	4 years
Wayne Vantluka	—	10 months

We would also like to recognize and thank Bob Neuneker who stepped down from the BOFPC after serving the Village for 12½ years.

Introduction: Trustee Barb Wolf

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 2006-07 the DRC has reviewed five (5) Design Review Permit applications and one (1) Facade Loan application.

Andrea Barnish, Chairman* — 15 years

* Chairman Barnish also participated on the Zoning Code Review Committee, which completed its analysis and forwarded its recommendation for comprehensive zoning code amendments to the Plan Commission.

Edward Marcisz — 16 years

Regina McClinton — 16 years

Francesca Siciliano-Andrews — 8 years

Matthew S. Malec, III — 7 years

Mark Ozer — 5 years

Introduction: Trustee Nick Pann

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(3-year term)

On call for matters of significant economic development activity, the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) advises the Village Board and staff on new and recurring economic development initiatives. Although this Commission has been less active in the recent past due to the Village's significant undertakings through its TIF projects, the EDAC has provided significant input relating to the Village's attempts to revitalize and improve the business areas within our community, and has worked closely with neighborhood groups, community organizations and the Village's business leaders. Examples of their past contributions include the Village's economic development strategy and the Ahhh! La Grange street banner program.

Taylor Jaeger, Chairman	—	11 years
John Moellman	—	17 years
Joleen Tschaikovsky	—	17 years
Roger Laven	—	16 years
Steve Palmer	—	7 years

Introduction: Trustee Mike Horvath

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. Although this Commission has been less active in the recent years, 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.

Glenn Wentink, Chairman	—	19 years
Harlan Hirt	—	33 years
Patty Weber	—	27 years
Richard Battistoni	—	17 years
F. Peter Gabrek	—	8 years

Introduction: Trustee Tom Livingston

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. The Commission has also conducted studies on parking availability and considers issues relating to parking meters.

The Village Board considered seven (7) recommendations from the Parking Commission this past Fiscal Year.

Mary Nelson, Chairman	—	28 years
Richard Mann	—	18 years
Jimmi Marshall	—	10 years

We would also like to recognize Jim O'Rourke who passed away suddenly this past year. Jim served on the Parking Commission for 8½ years.

Introduction: Trustee Mark Langan

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. In 2006, the Plan Commission reviewed and recommended Zoning Code amendments for the Single Family Residential Districts which is under consideration by the Village Board of Trustees. Other projects reviewed by the Commission this past year include: the reconstruction of “Victorian Manor” on Ninth Avenue, proposed addition to the La Grange Bible Church on Seventh Avenue, and proposed construction of a second medical office building on the La Grange Memorial Hospital campus.

Stephen Randolph, Chairman* — 17 years

* Chairman Randolph participated on the Zoning Code Review Committee, which completed its analysis and forwarded its recommendation for comprehensive zoning code amendments to the Plan Commission.

Roger Tyrrell — 19 years

Wayne Kardatzke — 12 years

Jerry Reich — 7 years

We would also like to recognize and thank the following Commissioners who have stepped down from the Plan Commission this past year.

David Mc Carty — 11 years

Robert Adducci — 4 years

Jennifer Delisi — 1 year

Introduction: Trustee Richard Cremieux

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

(5-year term, 7 members)

The Zoning Board of Appeals 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 yard setbacks, building coverage, signage, fences, garage size requirements, and the like. In Fiscal Year 2006-07, six (6) cases were heard by the ZBA.

Ellen Brewin, Chairman* — 13 years

* Chairman Brewin participated on the Zoning Code Review Committee, which completed its analysis and forwarded its recommendation for comprehensive zoning code amendments to the Plan Commission.

Nat Pappalarado — 24 years

Charles Benson, Jr. — 17 years

William Holder — 8 years

Nancy Pierson — 1½ years

Ian Brenson* — 1½ years

* Ian Brenson previously served on the Plan Commission for 9 years.

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 13 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 7 years.

Introduction: Lou Cipparrone, Finance Director