

## MINUTES

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

Monday, August 14, 2006 - 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 7:35 p.m. by President Asperger. On roll call, as read by Village Clerk Robert Milne, the following were:

PRESENT: Trustees Cremieux, Horvath, Langan, Livingston, and Pann with President Asperger presiding.

ABSENT: Trustee Wolf

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  
Suburban Life Reporter Joe Sinopoli

### 2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Asperger introduced and welcomed Andrianna Peterson as the newly hired Assistant Village Manager. President Asperger noted that Andrianna brings with her extensive experience and knowledge, having worked in municipal government since 1990, most recently as the Village Administrator of Berkeley.

#### A. Oat of Office – Firefighter / Paramedic Jason a. DeAngelis

President Asperger stated that a vacancy occurred within the Fire Department and the La Grange Board of Fire and Police Commission appointed Jason De Angelis. President Asperger welcomed Jason who is a licensed paramedic and certified Firefighter II. Village Clerk Milne administered the Oath of Office to Firefighter/Paramedic Jason De Angelis.

B. Oath of Office – Firefighter / Paramedic Christopher J. Conrad

President Asperger noted that a second vacancy occurred within the Fire Department and the La Grange Board of Fire and Police Commission appointed Chris Conrad. President Asperger also welcomed Chris who is a licensed paramedic and certified Firefighter II and Village Clerk Milne administered the Oath of Office.

C. Proclamation – Community Diversity Group 15<sup>th</sup> Annual race unity Rally

President Asperger proclaimed Sunday, September 10, 2006 as Race Unity Day and indicated that the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Rally would be held in the Village Hall Auditorium beginning at 3:00 p.m. President Asperger noted this as an annual event for all to gather and celebrate diversity in the community. President Asperger invited Community Diversity member and former Village Trustee Ken Eastman to elaborate on the scheduled activities.

Mr. Eastman noted the featured guest speaker for the Rally would be the Reverend Finley Campbell, a Unitarian Universalist minister and added that weekend events including a movie at the Community Center are being planned. Mr. Eastman invited everyone to participate.

Trustee Langan moved to approve the Proclamation, seconded by Trustee Pann. Approved by unanimous voice vote

D. Appointment – Emergency Telephone System Board

President Asperger submitted the appointment of Trustee Barb Wolf to serve on the Emergency Telephone System Board for a period ending April 30, 2007. Although Trustee Wolf is absent this evening, she has previously indicated her willingness to serve. Trustee Langan moved to approve the appointment, seconded by Trustee Horvath. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

President Asperger stated that the Plan Commission met on August 8 and discussed recommendations to zoning code amendments including side yard regulations, limitation of window wells in side yards, height regulations, and limited roof line extensions. The Plan Commission agreed not to finalize the issues until digital models are provided to help the Commission and audience visualize the proposed changes. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 12 and President Asperger encouraged residents to actively participate.

President Asperger introduced Mr. Ralph Gutekunst of “Aging Well” and invited him to speak.

Mr. Gutekunst thanked the Village Board for the opportunity to give an update on Aging Well and introduced Ms. Annette McClain, the new Volunteer Coordinator for the Community Partnerships for Older Adults (CPFOA). Ms. McClain briefly described the history and commented on current news regarding Aging Well's Strategic Plan in Lyons Township which is also supported by the Community Memorial Foundation.

Mr. Gutekunst described specific Aging Well programs sponsored in La Grange. The first being Walk for Health which was supported by the Park District and the RichPort YMCA encouraging individuals to adopt a healthy lifestyle. The second, is the File of Life which provides a uniform method to make medical history available to first responders in the event of an emergency. And the third initiative is to establish an Older Adult Discount Day through local merchants.

Lastly, Mr. Gutekunst encouraged anyone who has questions or needs relating to older adults to contact the Southwest Suburban Center on Aging or as is commonly known as the Senior Center.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

Mark Lutekehans, Vice President of Paul H. Schwendener, Inc. expressed his pleasure in working with the Board and staff on the construction of the parking structure. Mr. Lutekehans noted his availability to answer any questions regarding agenda item 5.B.

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

- A. Ordinance (#O-06-26) – Variation – Required Front Yard, Alexander Ramirez, 135 Washington Avenue
- B. Professional Services Agreement – Police / Fire Facility Emergency Generator (Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer and Associates, Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin - \$5,500)
- C. Purchase – Emergency Services and Disaster Planning – Replacement of Outdoor Warning Siren System (Braniff Communications, Inc., Crestwood, Illinois \$16,668)
- D. Purchase – Community Development Department / Replacement of Administrative Vehicle (Resolution #R-06-15-Budget Amendment) (Westfield Ford, Countryside, Illinois \$10,600)
- E. Purchase – Department of Public Works / Walk-Behind Lawn Mower (Russo Power and Equipment, Schiller Park, Illinois \$5,251.16)
- F. Resolution (R-06-16) – Investment Authorization for Village Treasurer

- G. Resolution (R-06-17) – Appointing a Delegate and Alternate to the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA) Board of Directors
- H. Consolidated Voucher 060724 - \$544,510.63
- I. Consolidated Voucher 060814 - \$1,252,434.07
- J. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, Monday, July 10, 2006

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

Ayes: Trustees Cremieux, Horvath, Langan, Livingston, Pann and President Asperger  
Nays: None  
Absent: Trustee Wolf

5. CURRENT BUSINESS

- A. Special Event – La Grange Business Association “West End Art Festival”: Referred to Trustee Pann

Trustee Pann stated that the Village has received a request from the La Grange Business Association to conduct the “West End Art Festival” on September 9 and 10, 2006.

Trustee Pann explained that it is necessary for the Village to formally approve the temporary closure of Burlington Avenue and portions of Stone and Waiola Avenues for the outdoor display and to waive restrictions for the outdoor display and sale of goods and services in the C-2 Zoning District. Trustee Pann noted that Ms. Andrea Barnish, representing the La Grange Business Association is available to answer any questions.

It was moved by Trustee Pann that the Village Board authorize the La Grange Business Association to utilize Burlington Avenue from Waiola Avenue to Brainard Avenue for the “West End Art Festival” on September 9 and 10, 2006; that restrictions prohibiting outdoor display and sale of goods and services be waived in conjunction with this event; and that all conditions be satisfied, seconded by Trustee Langan.

Trustee Cremieux commented on the popularity of this annual event. Trustee Pann noted the positive exposure for the West End Business District. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

B. Parking Structure – Change Order Request: Referred to Trustee Cremieux

Trustee Cremieux congratulated all who have been involved with the parking structure project, noting that as in any undertaking of this magnitude inconsistencies are inevitable. Giving a recap of happenings, Trustee Cremieux explained that in 2005 the Village Board awarded Paul H. Schwendener, Inc. of Westmont, Illinois a contract in the amount of \$7,266,710 to construct the parking structure. During the course of construction four change order requests were approved by the Village Board for a revised contract amount of \$7,307,031.

Trustee Cremieux noted that installation of the caissons and relocation of the overhead utilities were two of the items of contention. The agreed upon compensation is \$148,033 for the caissons and \$81,967 for the relocation of utilities. Trustee Cremieux added that in return for this additional compensation to Paul H. Schwendener, Inc., the Village would receive extensions on the warranties for all concrete work performed on the parking structure for an additional year ending December 1, 2007 and extension of the warranty for all concrete work performed on the plaza until June 1, 2008.

Trustee Cremieux explained that the entire project came well within budget and there are sufficient amounts in the TIF Fund for the additional work. A budget amendment reflecting the addition of the change order would be prepared at the end of the current fiscal year.

Trustee Cremieux moved to approve Change Order Request No. 5 for the Parking Structure Project in the amount of \$230,000, seconded by Trustee Langan.

Trustee Pann recused himself from voting on this issue.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes:	Trustees Cremieux, Horvath, Langan, and Livingston
Nays:	None
Absent:	Trustee Wolf
Recuse:	Trustee Pann

6. MANAGER'S REPORT

Village Manager Pilipiszyn explained that the necessary repairs to the Ashland Avenue railroad crossing have been changed by Burlington Northern Santa Fe to September 14 through September 23. The Village will provide additional information to the public once scheduling is confirmed.

Manager Pilipiszyn reminded the audience to mark their calendar for the upcoming Town Meetings scheduled for September 25 at Ogden Avenue School, October 23 at the Community Center and November 27 at Seventh Avenue School.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON AGENDA

James Lowery, 61 N. Ashland expressed his thanks to Police Chief Holub for maintaining traffic enforcement at intersections.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

It was moved by Trustee Langan and seconded by Trustee Pann to convene in Executive Session to discuss the purchase, sale, or lease of real property. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Cremieux, Horvath, Langan, Livingston, and Pann  
Nays: None  
Absent: Trustee Wolf

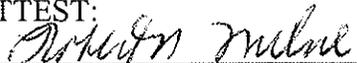
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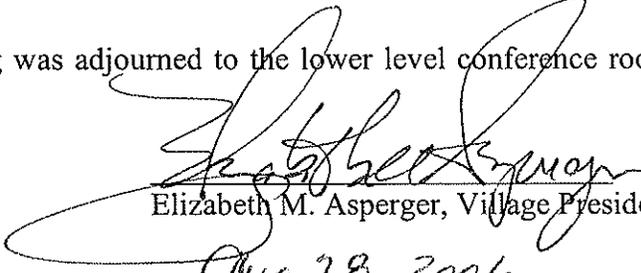
Trustee Livingston expressed his favor in having former Village Trustee Ken Eastman and his wife Linda in attendance. Trustee Livingston thanked them for their continued community involvement in promoting Community Diversity throughout the Village.

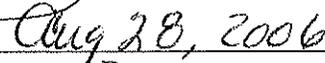
10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:25 p.m. the meeting was adjourned to the lower level conference room for closed session.

ATTEST:

  
Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk

  
Elizabeth M. Asperger, Village President

  
Approved Date