

MINUTES

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

Monday, May 9, 2005 - 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 Hansen. On roll call, as read by Village Clerk Robert Milne, the following were:

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

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn
Assistant Village Manager Sharon Peterson
Village Attorney David Warner
Community Development Director Patrick Benjamin
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone
Public Works Director Ken Watkins
Police Chief Michael Holub
Fire Chief David Fleege
Village Planner Angela Mesaros
Numerous Dignitaries and Residents

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Hansen requested Caroline Coryell to come forward while he and the Board presented her with a Resolution of Appreciation for her dedication and commitment to the Village of La Grange through her service with the La Grange Public Library. It was moved by Trustee Langan to adopt the Resolution of Appreciation honoring Caroline Coryell, seconded by Trustee Pann. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

President Hansen announced that once again the Village of La Grange has received the Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting which is the

highest governmental accounting award. Congratulations were extended to Finance Director Lou Cipparrone and his entire department on this award which the Village has now earned for ten consecutive years.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

Mary Nelson, 1200 Carriage Lane expressed her delight in honoring Caroline Coryell for her dedication and hard work with the La Grange Public Library. Ms. Nelson encouraged adoption of the Ordinance being considered to consolidate lots for Mr. and Mrs. Thornton. Ms. Nelson encouraged the Board to approve the official Comprehensive Plan, noting she was on the Steering Committee and believes this is a wonderful document for future utilization. Lastly, Ms. Nelson honored retiring Village President Timothy Hansen and outgoing Village Trustee Ken Eastman for their years of service to the Village of La Grange.

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

- A. Ordinance (O-05-05A) – Consolidation of Lots / Christopher and Stephanie Thornton, 535 South Blackstone
- B. Resolution (R-05-09) – Request to Close State Highway / La Grange Pet Parade
- C. Ordinance (O-05-06) – Disposal of Surplus Property
- D. Consolidated Voucher 050905 - \$667,192.87
- E. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, Monday, April 25, 2005

It was moved by Trustee Asperger to approve items A, B, C, D, and E of the Omnibus, seconded by Trustee Langan. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Asperger, Cremieux, Eastman, Langan,
Livingston, Pann and President Hansen
Nays: None
Absent: None

5. CURRENT BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance (O-05-07) – Amendment to the Official Comprehensive Plan of the Village of La Grange and Adoption of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Corridor Plan: Referred to Trustee Livingston

Trustee Livingston explained that after considerable discussion and deliberation at the April 25, 2005 Village Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the Comprehensive Plan in concept, subject to a review of the changes to the wording and tabled the final vote on the adoption of the plan to this May 9, 2005 Village Board meeting. Trustee Livingston noted that as directed by the Village Board on April 25, 2005, Trustee Asperger, Plan Commission Chairman Stephen Randolph and staff summarized the changes requested by the Village Board and provided the Village Board with the final revisions to the plan. Trustee Livingston stated it had been moved and seconded at the April 25, 2005 Village Board meeting to adopt the Comprehensive Plan and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Corridor Sub Area Plan as amended. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Asperger, Cremieux, Eastman, Langan,
Livingston, and Pann
Nays: None
Absent: None

President Hansen added his thanks to Community Development Director Patrick Benjamin, Village Planner Angela Mesaros, the Plan Commission, the Advisory Task Force, Phil Hanegraaf of HNTB and all those involved in the making of this outstanding Village document.

- B. Ordinance – (1) (O-05-08) Vacation of Right-Of-Way, (2) (O-05-09) Zoning Map Amendment, (3) (O-05-10) Amendment to an Existing Special Use Permit / New Site Plan Approval to Construct an Addition to the Existing Religious Organization (SIC #866), 850 S. Seventh Avenue, La Grange Bible Church: Referred to Trustee Pann

Trustee Pann explained that Village staff has been working with the La Grange Bible Church for the construction of a “community life center” which will house a fellowship hall, gymnasium, and classrooms for choir and youth programs. Trustee Pann noted that three items are before the Village Board for approval and in accordance with State Statute, the approval of the Vacation of Public Right-of-Way will require a three-fourths majority vote by roll call of the Trustees currently holding office or five out of six Trustees. Trustee Pann added that the Plan Commission has unanimously voted to recommend approval of the Amendment to an existing Special Use Permit and new Site Plan Approval with specified conditions.

Trustee Pann stated that La Grange Bible Church has paid the Village the fair market value of the vacated right-of-way in the amount of \$47,000.

It was moved by Trustee Pann to approve the vacation of Right-of-Way of 20 feet by 50 feet and 20 feet by 144.37 feet dedicated alley adjoining the northeast corner of the property, seconded by Trustee Langan. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Asperger, Cremieux, Eastman, Langan,
Livingston, and Pann
Nays: None
Absent: None

It was moved by Trustee Pann to approve the Zoning Map Amendment to rezone the parcels located at 809 S. Sixth Avenue, 813 S. Sixth Avenue and 824 S. Seventh Avenue from the current classification of R-4 Single Family residential to the I-B Institutional Buildings District, seconded by Trustee Eastman. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Asperger, Cremieux, Eastman, Langan,
Livingston, and Pann
Nays: None
Absent: None

It was moved by Trustee Pann to approve the Amendment to a Special Use Permit, and approval of a new site plan to construct an addition to the existing religious organization at 850 S. Seventh Avenue, seconded by Trustee Langan. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Asperger, Cremieux, Eastman, Langan,
Livingston, and Pann
Nays: None
Absent: None

- C. Ordinance (O-05-11) – Creation of a Category and Application for a Class H Retail and Catering Liquor License, La Belle Gourmet Ltd. 14-16 W. Calendar Avenue: Referred to Trustee Cremieux

Trustee Cremieux noted that Judy La Belle, President of La Belle Gourmet Ltd. and La Belle Garde Manger, has requested an amendment to the Village's liquor regulations to create a single liquor license. Currently Mrs. La Belle possesses two separate liquor licenses – one for the catering service and the other for the retail sale of liquor. Village Attorney Burkland believes that a single liquor license is appropriate as long as the two businesses are located at a single address and ownership of the two

entities is, and always remains the same. Trustee Cremieux noted that this new Class H Liquor License would be subject to the provisions already governing retail sales of alcoholic liquor (a Class D license) and service of liquor as part of a catering business (a Class G license) and the fee would be \$2,000.

It was moved by Trustee Cremieux to amend the liquor code to create a new Class H Retail and Catering Liquor License and that the new Class H Liquor License be issued to La Belle Gourmet Ltd. and made retroactive to May 1, 2005, seconded by Langan. Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes:	Trustees Asperger, Cremieux, Eastman, Langan, Livingston, and Pann
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

6. FAREWELL BY OUTGOING VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE TRUSTEE

Outgoing President Hansen stated how extremely proud he was to have served with the current and previous Boards and is certain the new Board under the direction of President Elect Asperger will continue in a successful direction for the Village of La Grange. President Hansen attributed the success of the community to many individuals and staff members who work together to achieve improvements to the Village.

Trustee Eastman indicated that in the past twelve years he has seen amazing things happen in the Village of La Grange. Trustee Eastman stated that outgoing Village President Hansen was the facilitator who provided direction and ability to do what is best for the community as a whole. Trustee Eastman stated that being Village Trustee is not about power but rather responsibility.

7. RECOGNITION OF RETIRING VILLAGE OFFICIALS

A. Resolution of Appreciation – Retiring Village Trustee Ken Eastman

President Hansen recognized outgoing Trustee Ken Eastman as a quiet, behind the scenes person who has made numerous contributions to the community. President Hansen commended Trustee Eastman's work with the Community Diversity Group, annual Race Unity Rally Day along with his ability to act as President Pro-Tem during critical Village Board meetings. President Hansen recited a Resolution of Appreciation for Trustee Eastman and presented him with an engraved plaque. It was moved by Trustee Langan to approve the Resolution honoring outgoing

Village Trustee Ken Eastman, seconded by Trustee Asperger. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

B. Resolution of Appreciation – Retiring Village President Timothy R. Hansen

President Elect Asperger thanked President Hansen on behalf of the residents, staff, business community and many individuals who have worked with him throughout his twenty five years of service. President Elect Asperger stated that La Grange is a better place because of Tim Hansen. President Elect Asperger recited a Resolution of Appreciation for Village President Timothy Hansen and presented him with an engraved plaque.

At 8:30 p.m. Village Manager Pilipiszyn stated there would be a short recess prior to the swearing in and seating of the newly elected Village Officials. Manager Pilipiszyn reiterated the honors to outgoing President Hansen and Trustee Eastman and the audience responded with a standing ovation.

8. SWEARING IN AND SEATING OF NEWLY ELECTED VILLAGE OFFICIALS

At 8:33 p.m. Village Manager Pilipiszyn reconvened the meeting and stated that those elected at the April 5, 2005 consolidated election would be sworn into office.

A. Swearing in of Newly-Elected Village President – Elizabeth M. Asperger.

Former Village President and Village Attorney Lee Burkey administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Village President Elizabeth M. Asperger.

B. Swearing in of Newly Elected Village Clerk – Robert Milne.

Village President Elizabeth M. Asperger administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Village Clerk Robert Milne.

C. Swearing in of Newly Elected Village Trustees – Mark Langan; Michael Horvath; and Barbara Wolf.

Village Clerk Robert Milne administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Village Trustees Mark Langan; Michael Horvath; and Barbara Wolf.

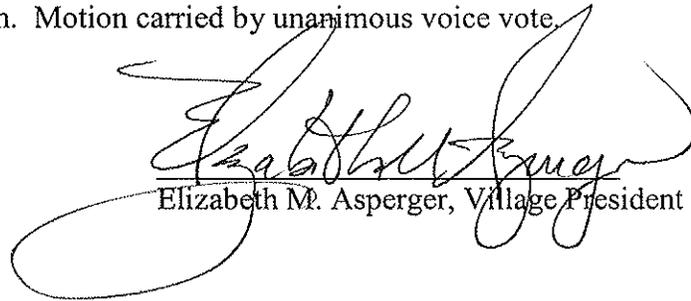
President Asperger thanked friends, family and residents for their support throughout her campaign. President Asperger indicated that she would do her very best to continue the practices of dedication and honesty during her term.

9. MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Pilipiszyn reflected on a new beginning, new challenges and the need to work together .

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:45 p.m. it was moved by Trustee Langan and seconded by Trustee Pann that the Village Board adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.



Elizabeth M. Asperger, Village President

ATTEST:


Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk

May 23, 2005
Approved Date