

MINUTES

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

Monday, February 14, 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 (arrived at 7:40 p.m.), Eastman, Langan, Livingston and Pann with President Hansen presiding.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn
Assistant Village Manager Sharon Peterson
Village Attorney Katie Cunningham
Community Development Director Patrick Benjamin
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone
Public Works Director Ken Watkins
Utilities Superintendent Mike Bojovic
Police Chief Michael Holub
Fire Chief David Fleege
Reporter from the Suburban Life Sara Luneburg

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Hansen announced that the Village has withdrawn its proposal to restructure the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District. President Hansen indicated that School Districts 102 and 204 did not endorse the restructuring concept stating that it did not meet the needs of the school districts, therefore, they have declined to participate. President Hansen noted the Village respects the decision from the school districts and welcomes future intergovernmental communications with the taxing bodies. President Hansen explained that withdrawing the proposed restructuring of TIF does not affect the funding for the parking structure.

President Hansen invited the public to attend the Plan Commission Public Hearing regarding the Comprehensive Plan at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15 in the Village Hall Auditorium. The purpose of the meeting is to help everyone understand what the Comprehensive Plan is and to provide answers to questions. President Hansen also invited residents to view the Village's website at www.villageoflagrange.com to review the Comprehensive Plan's most frequently asked questions.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

None

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

- A. Quotes – Paint Striping Machine – Thomas Equipment of Elk Grove Village, Illinois - \$5,495
- B. Consolidated Voucher 050214 - \$856,575.42
- C. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, Monday, January 24, 2005.
- D. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Executive Committee Workshop, Monday, January 31, 2005.

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

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

5. CURRENT BUSINESS

- A. Budget Amendment (Resolution R-05-03) – E.T.S.B. Fund & Purchase of Dispatching and records Management Software: Referred to Trustee Langan

Trustee Langan explained that the Fiscal Year 2004-05 Emergency Telephone System Board (E.T.S.B.) budget provides for the replacement and upgrade of the Village's radio console and communications equipment as well as for the upgrade of both dispatching and records management software. The Police Chief evaluated the department's existing software applications and concludes that current dispatching and

records management systems do not meet the needs of the department, recommending they be replaced with more current technology. The estimated total cost of the replacement software package is \$100,000. Trustee Langan explained that there are sufficient reserves in the ETSB Fund, however, it would be necessary for the Board to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$75,000 added to the existing \$25,000 already budgeted in order to provide for this upgrade. Trustee Langan requested Police Chief Holub to elaborate on the vendor chosen for the upgrade.

Police Chief Holub indicated that the process for upgrading the dispatching and records management systems was initiated in 2003. Considerable amounts of time were spent with nine different vendors and departmental staff was given the opportunity to review what each vendor offered. Chief Holub then reviewed staff's input and thus narrowed the vendors down to three. These three vendors gave in-depth presentations conducted on-site and were evaluated on the needs of the department. Chief Holub believes that Valor Systems of Westmont, Illinois offers the best product to accommodate the needs of the department and will interface well with statewide communication networks.

Trustee Langan moved that the Village Board waive the competitive bidding process and authorize staff to enter into an agreement with Valor Systems of Westmont, Illinois for the purchase of dispatching and records management software in an amount not to exceed \$88,185, seconded by Trustee Asperger.

Trustee Eastman questioned the terms of the agreement with Valor Systems and was informed that the maintenance fee was included in the purchase price.

Trustee Cremieux questioned funding and was informed that sufficient reserve funds are available.

It had been moved and seconded that the Village Board waive the competitive bidding process and authorize staff to enter into an agreement with Valor Systems of Westmont, Illinois for the purchase of dispatching and records management software in an amount not to exceed \$88,185, approved by roll call vote.

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

Trustee Langan moved to approve the Resolution to adopt a budget amendment to transfer funds in order to purchase Computer Aided Dispatch software and Records Management Systems software. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

6. MANAGER'S REPORT

Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn had no additional items to report.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON AGENDA

Kathy Deane, 110 S. Ashland, expressed questions regarding the end date of TIF and the term of the bonds to be issued for the parking structure.

President Hansen replied that the exact end date of TIF will be determined by the County; the term of the bonds and interest rate will be determined by the market at a time when the bonds are issued.

Finance Director Lou Cipparrone explained that taxes levied in 2009 would be received in 2010 and legal counsel for the County on behalf of the State will decide the date TIF ends.

Trustee Asperger added that because existing TIFs throughout the state are coming to an end and some have been extended these questions are being addressed for the first time.

Trustee Cremieux questioned if the end of TIF would have any influence on TIF funds being used for the parking structure and was informed by Finance Director Lou Cipparrone that there would be reserves available in the TIF fund at its ending.

Trustee Langan added that if the Village receives federal grant funds it would be able to pay off the bonds early and that option would be included when the bonds are issued.

Mike Horvath, 123 S. Madison asked what would happen to the balance of TIF funds if the Village does in fact receive federal grant funds. President Hansen explained that whatever money left in TIF, if not used for a redevelopment project, would go back to the taxing bodies and it will be a decision of the Village Board at that time.

Steve Wolf, 213 S. Ashland asked if it would be beneficial to end TIF early. President Hansen explained that the Village is still in the process of repaying debt issued for the Triangle and will issue new debt for the parking structure, which will also be repaid over the remaining term of TIF. President Hansen added that it

may be possible to defray that debt with federal money and the Village Board would determine what is best for the community as a whole at that time.

Kathy Deane, 110 S. Ashland inquired as to the cost of a callable feature on the bonds and expressed her belief that the Village needs to line up its financing.

President Hansen responded that the Board conducted several Executive Committee sessions whereby various financing options were discussed and is quite confident the Village is in a good financial position.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Closed Session to Discuss Matters of Personnel

It was moved by Trustee Langan and seconded by Trustee Asperger to adjourn to Closed Session to discuss personnel matters immediately following this evening's Village Board meeting. Approved by roll call vote:

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

9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

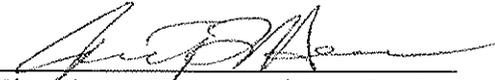
Trustee Asperger announced that staff has developed a new enhancement to the Village's website which gives the ability to click on agenda items and view Board Reports. This information will be available every Friday, prior to a Village Board meeting and future enhancements will be to view all attachments. Trustee Asperger requested Finance Director Lou Cipparrone to elaborate on the specifics.

Finance Director Lou Cipparrone explained that residents should access the Village Calendar section. Under "Village of La Grange Regular Board Meeting," click on "More Details" and the agenda will appear. Then click on the agenda item highlighted in blue to open the Board Report for viewing. Mr. Cipparrone added that future items to be posted will include the Village Code and Village Budget.

Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn specifically recognized and commended Finance Director Lou Cipparrone and Administrative Secretary Ellie Elder for their work on implementing this enhancement to the Village's website.

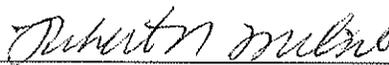
10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10 p.m. it was moved by Trustee Langan and seconded by Trustee Pann that the Village Board adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

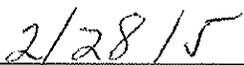


Timothy R. Hansen, Village President

ATTEST:



Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk



Approved Date