

## MINUTES

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

Monday, August 26, 2013 - 7:30 p.m.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Livingston. On roll call, as read by Village Clerk John Burns, the following were present:

PRESENT: Trustees Holder, Kuchler, Langan, McCarty, Nowak and Palermo

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn  
Assistant Village Manager Andrianna Peterson  
Village Attorney Betsy Gates  
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone  
Community Development Director Patrick Benjamin  
Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham  
Fire Chief William Bryzgalski  
Police Chief Michael Holub

President Livingston requested Clerk Burns lead the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Although the Board has not convened for a while, President Livingston indicated that Village business continues without interruption. President Livingston noted that Village Trustees have been in attendance at various Advisory Board and Commission meetings. President Livingston provided updates on the Maple Avenue Relief Sewer Project; Stone Avenue Train Station Renovation; improvements to parking lot 13; and street resurfacing projects. Adding that the Liquor Commission met earlier this evening, President Livingston noted that further discussion on liquor related policies would be forthcoming at a future Board meeting.

President Livingston advised residents that the Village has been and continues to communicate with ComEd regarding several power outages and storm related happenings to work together for resolutions to those issues.

Recognizing the new enhanced location for the A T & T store at 1 N. La Grange Road, President Livingston encouraged residents to shop locally.

President Livingston extended his thanks to Commissioner Liz Gorman and representative from Senator Kirk's office for meeting with him.

President Livingston announced that the Village has received a federal grant in the amount of \$162,356 to be utilized for fire safety personnel and expressed his thanks to Fire Chief Bryzgalski for his endeavors in pursuing such a grant.

#### A. Appointments & Re-appointments – Advisory Boards and Commissions

President Livingston noted that he had met with the various chair persons and members for the Advisory Boards and Commissions and noted their willingness to continue to serve. President Livingston recommended the re-appointments to the various Advisory Boards and Commissions.

Trustee Langan moved to approve the re-appointments as noted in the Board Report, seconded by Trustee Holder.

Trustee Palermo noted his opposition to the Finance Director being appointed to the Police Pension Board and believes best decisions would be had with another resident serving on the board.

Trustee Langan is in favor of the Finance Director serving as fiduciary on the Police Pension Board.

Trustee Holder is also in agreement with the Finance Director serving on the Police Pension Board.

President Livingston duly noted Trustee's comments.

Motion approved by voice vote

#### B. Appointment – Zoning Board of Appeals

With the recent resignation of Nathaniel Pappalardo, President Livingston requested approval to appoint Mr. David Schwartz as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Langan moved to approve the appointment, seconded by Trustee Nowak.

Trustee Holder expressed his thanks to Mr. Pappalardo for his years of service. Trustee Langan added his gratitude to Mr. Pappalardo for representing the Village and favors Mr. Schwartz as the new appointment.

Motion approved by voice vote.

C. Appointment Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

With the recent resignation of Kathy Schwappach, President Livingston requested approval to appoint Ms. Elyse Hoffenberg as a member of the Board of Fire and Police Commission for a term to expire in 2014. Trustee Langan moved to approve the appointment, seconded by Trustee Holder.

Trustee Langan expressed his thanks to Ms. Schwappach for her years of service.

Motion approved by voice vote.

President Livingston directed Village Manager Pilipiszyn to notify all of those newly appointed.

D. Proclamation – Community Diversity Group 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Race Unity Rally

President Livingston proclaimed Sunday, September 8, 2013 as Race Unity Day and indicated that the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rally would be held in the Village Hall Auditorium beginning at 3:00 p.m. President Livingston noted that Marian Honel-Wilson was in attendance and expressed his thanks for her involvement in this an annual event for all to gather and celebrate diversity in the community. Trustee Langan moved to approve the Proclamation, seconded by Trustee Nowak.

Trustees Langan and Nowak noted their appreciation to Marian for her efforts in achieving diversity through this event.

Motion approved by voice vote

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

None

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

- A. Cossitt Avenue Resurfacing Project From Gilbert Avenue to Brainard Avenue: (1) Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement for Federal Participation; (2) Engineering Task Order; (3) Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation

Cossitt Avenue Water Main Replacement Project from Gilbert Avenue to Leitch Avenue (1) Engineering Task Order

- B. Resolution (#R-13-15) – Ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Village of La Grange and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council (Telecommunicators)
- C. Award of Contract – ((1) Construction of Hillgrove Avenue Sidewalk Improvement Project; (2) Construction Engineering Services Agreement
- D. Award of Contract – Village Hall Painting – Dormers and Soffits
- E. Ordinance (#O-13-20) – Disposal of Surplus Property – Forfeited Vehicle
- F. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, Monday, July 8, 2013
- G. Consolidated Voucher 130722 – (\$846,375.12)
- H. Consolidated Voucher 130812 – (\$1,483,740.85)
- I. Consolidated Voucher 130826 – (\$705,676.55)

It was moved by Trustee Langan to approve items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I of the Omnibus Agenda, seconded by Trustee Holder.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Palermo, Nowak, McCarty, Langan, Kuchler, and Holder  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

## 5. CURRENT BUSINESS

- A. Special Event – La Grange Business Association “West End Art Festival” and “An Evening of Art & Jazz”: Referred to Trustee Nowak

Trustee Nowak noted his pleasure to introduce for consideration of Village Board approval the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual “West End Art Festival” sponsored by the La Grange Business Association on Saturday, September 14 and Sunday, September 15, 2013.

Trustee Nowak noted that in addition to the West End Art Festival, the La Grange Business Association will incorporate “An Evening of Art and Jazz” to be held on Friday, September 13. Trustee Nowak added that this year there will also be a culinary tent featuring the art of food with cooking demonstrations and tastings by local restaurants along with other activities for children.

Trustee Nowak 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 Nowak added that the Village Liquor Commissioner will separately consider a permission to sell and serve beer and wine for the Friday, September 13 event.

It was moved by Trustee Nowak that the Village Board approve the closure of Burlington Avenue, portions of Stone and Waiola Avenues for the "West End Art Festival" and "An Evening of Art and Jazz" on September 13, 14 and 15, 2013, seconded by Trustee Langan.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Langan, McCarty, Palermo, Holder, Kuchler, and Nowak  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

It was moved by Trustee Nowak that restrictions prohibiting outdoor display and sale of goods and services in the C-2 Zoning District be waived in conjunction with this event; and that all conditions be satisfied, seconded by Trustee Langan.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Kuchler, McCarty, Nowak, Palermo, Holder, and Langan  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

B. Appointments to La Grange 2020 Task Force: Referred to President Livingston

President Livingston indicated his reasoning for forming the La Grange 2020 Task Force and thanked all who expressed interest. Identifying the topics to be discussed by the upcoming advisory panel, President Livingston noted the variation of backgrounds and areas of interest of those chosen. Adding that Diane Gormely-Barnes has agreed to chair the advisory panel, President Livingston noted that meetings would be held monthly beginning on September 18 and although all are welcome to attend any comments will be addressed at regular Village Board meetings.

President Livingston added that staff will continue to prioritize budget and strategic planning and the advisory panel will focus on the future of La Grange. President Livingston recommended his appointments be approved.

Trustee Langan moved to approve the appointments to the La Grange 2020 Task Force as presented, seconded by Trustee Holder.

Trustee McCarty expressed his favor in the establishment of the task force and encouraged members to net-work with residents to stay on a successful path.

Trustee Palermo also expressed his favor noting value in citizen input and opinions.

Motion approved by voice vote.

President Livingston directed Village Manager Pilipiszyn to transmit an orientation packet to those newly appointed to the La Grange 2020 Task Force.

6. MANAGER'S REPORT

Village Manager Pilipiszyn announced the timely completion of the reconstruction of commuter parking lot 13. Adding that partial funding for the reconstruction was derived from a grant, Mr. Pilipiszyn thanked all involved for their patience and cooperation during the construction process.

Mr. Pilipiszyn provided valuable information regarding pedestrian and traffic safety rules now that school is in session.

Mr. Pilipiszyn reminded residents that refuse pick-up will be delayed by one day due to the upcoming Labor Day holiday.

Lastly, Mr. Pilipiszyn indicated that staff has and continues to meet and communicate with ComEd regarding the power outages which occurred in June. Mr. Pilipiszyn assured residents that the Village is committed to working with ComEd to improve electrical reliability.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON AGENDA

None

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

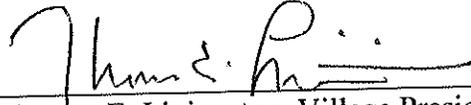
Trustee Holder expressed his thanks to Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham and staff in the timely completion of the reconstruction of parking lot 13.

Trustee Kuchler echoed the Village Manager's comments related to traffic and the safety of children in route to school.

Trustee Nowak congratulated the teen girl's softball team in their advancement to the state tournament.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10 p.m. Trustee Langan moved to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Holder. Approved by voice vote.

  
Thomas E. Livingston, Village President

ATTEST:

  
John Burns, Village Clerk

Approved Date: September 9, 2013