



**Village of Algonquin
Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting
Held On April 18, 2023
Village Board Room
2200 Harnish Dr. Algonquin, IL**

Trustee Auger, Chairperson, called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 1: Roll Call to Establish a Quorum

Present: Trustees, Jerry Glogowski, John Spella, Laura Brehmer, Maggie Auger, Robert Smith President Debby Sosine and Clerk Fred Martin.

Absent Trustee, Brian Dianis

A quorum was established

Staff in Attendance: Tim Schloneger, Village Manager; Nadim Badran, Public Works Director; Dennis Walker, Police Chief; Jason Shallcross, Community Development Director; and Kelly Cahill, Village Attorney

AGENDA ITEM 2: Public Comment

None

AGENDA ITEM 3: Community Development

Mr. Shallcross:

A. Consider an Amendment to the School District 158 Square Barn Road Campus PUD for a Solar Panel Installation

Huntley Community School District 158 is requesting an amendment to the Planned Development for the Huntley School District 158 Square Barn Road Campus to install additional solar panels between the Administration Building and one of the existing solar panel installations.

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed the request for the amendment to Ordinance 2003-O-51 and as amended as Ordinance 2018-O-26 at the April 10, 2023, Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting. The Planning and Zoning Commission accepted (approved 7-0) staff's findings as the findings of the Planning and Zoning Commission and recommended approval, as outlined in the staff report for case PZ-2023-04 and subject to staff's recommended conditions.

The Subject Property was approved as a PUD, Planned Development, as Ordinance 2003-O-51 and then amended as Ordinance 2018-O-26 which approved the construction of two (2) solar panel utility installations. A condition of this Ordinance was a requirement that any future expansion or addition to the solar panel installations come back before the Planning & Zoning Commission and Village Board for review as a separate PUD Amendment.

For this request, the Petitioner will be constructing the 0.7-acre solar panel addition to meet the increased electrical needs of the School District's buildings and fleet. The solar panel addition includes an enclosure fence that matches the seven-foot (7') existing fence to the north and will include native plantings throughout the site. The initial solar panel installation will occur in the 0.7-acre area represented in the green polygon to the right. With this approval, the Petitioner is also requesting that only a staff review with approval from the Community Development Director be required for future solar panel installations in the blue polygon areas as long as the future installations have the same character as the existing installations and can meet all conditions. Key conditions include the same height and style of fencing and the continuation of the six-foot (6') trees along the west side of the installation between the solar panels and the farm field. If these conditions cannot be met, the Petitioner will need to come back for Planning & Zoning Commission and Village Board Approval.

Staff recommends approval of an amendment to Ordinance 2003-O-51 and as amended as Ordinance 2018-O-26, as outlined in the staff report for Case No. PZ-2023-04, subject to the following conditions:

- The conditions of Ordinance 2018-O-26 shall still be in effect except that Solar Panel additions that have the same character as the existing installation and are installed in the areas highlighted in the Future Solar Panel Expansion Plan, submitted on March 14, 2023, shall only require Community Development Director approval.

It is the consensus of the Committee to move this on to the Village Board for approval.

AGENDA ITEM 4: General Administration

None

AGENDA ITEM 5: Public Works & Safety
None

AGENDA ITEM 6: Executive Session
None

AGENDA ITEM 7: Other Business
None

AGENDA ITEM 8: Adjournment
There being no further business, Chairperson Auger adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Submitted: _____
Fred Martin, Village Clerk