

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ALGONQUIN,
McHENRY & KANE COUNTIES, IL HELD IN VILLAGE HALL ON JANUARY 6, 2004**

CALL TO ORDER: Acting Village President John Schmitt called the regular meeting to order at 8:00 PM. Village Clerk Jerry Kautz called the roll.

ROLL CALL: Present: Trustees Constance Donner, Robert Smith, John Spella, John Schmitt, Barbara Read, Jim Steigert. A quorum was established.
Staff in attendance: Administration – William Ganek, Robert Mitchard, Jeff Mihelich, Russell Laine.
Attorney – Dave Rogers, Engineer – Frank Cuda.

PLEDGE TO FLAG: Clerk Kautz led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA: Moved by Smith, seconded by Read, to adopt tonight's agenda as printed, including item 15, Executive Session to discuss litigation.
Voice vote; ayes carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

1. Al Benson, 2041 Tahoe, Algonquin, questioned why Algonquin does not conduct a Citizen Police Academy as in the past. He attended a previous one and said it was very good experience but is concerned that Lake in the Hills has one and not our Village. Chief Laine responded that due to budgetary constraints, we had to postpone the past year and this one, but will hope to schedule one in the future when monies become available.

CONSENT AGENDA: The following items are considered routine in nature and were approved/accepted by one motion with a voice vote;

A. **Meeting Minutes of Boards, Committees & Commissions:**

1. Regular Village Board meeting of 12/16/03

Moved by Smith, seconded by Read, to approve the Consent Agenda of January 6, 2004 as listed.
Voice vote; ayes carried.

OMNIBUS AGENDA: No Items

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Moved by Read, seconded by Steigert, to approve the List of Bills for payment, as funds become available, and as recommended by the Village Manager; Bills dated 01/06/04 in the amount of \$797,105.39 and Payroll dated 12/31/03 in the amount of \$311,935.99.

Roll call vote; voting aye -- Read, Schmitt, Donner, Smith, Spella, Steigert.

Motion carried; 6-ayes, 0-nays.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General Fund	\$141,444.86
Cemetery Fund	1,970.00
Motor Fuel Tax Fund	470,298.72
Street Improvement Fund	4,559.25
Swimming Pool Fund	40.16
Park Fund	111,260.01
W & S Operating Fund	41,445.51
W & S Improvement Fund	1,479.32
W & S Construction Fund	1,286.20
Village Construction Fund	11,049.53
Vehicle Maintenance Fund	<u>12,271.83</u>
Total	\$797,105.39

COMMITTEE & CLERK'S REPORTS:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ~ No Report. The December 23rd meeting was cancelled.

VILLAGE CLERK ~ Mr. Kautz announced upcoming scheduled Village meetings.

STAFF REPORTS:

VILLAGE MANAGER ~ Mr. Ganek reported the following:

The new Village Calendar that also includes the Annual Report was recently mailed to all residents. It includes other valuable Village information. He thanked Jenna Kollings and her Staff for their efforts. He also reported his Staff has worked on two annexation agreements with the last month. In addition he spent time working on the new budget.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ~ Mr. Mitchard reported the following:

Staff is preparing for the opening of the new Public Works facility this coming Saturday morning. He also has been working on the budget, and recruitment of employees.

COMMUNITY PLANNING DIRECTOR ~ Mr. Mihelich, reported the following:

The Economic Development Commission meeting for this month has been cancelled but hopes to discuss their budget in the near future. His Staff has also been preparing the Department's budget for the new fiscal year.

VILLAGE ENGINEER ~ Mr. Cuda, reported the following:

Bids for the Braewood sanitary sewer pump station have been let. His Staff has been reviewing several development plans.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ~ Chief Laine reported the following:

He has nominated State Senator Klemm as Public Official of the Year for his past efforts in support of police matters. The recognition will take place January 12 in Rosemont, IL. Through a grant from the federal government, the department is receiving a "Video Detective" that enhances video pictures helping law enforcement and is the state of the art equipment. His Staff is also working on the new budget.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY ~ Mr. Rogers reported the following:

His staff has involved with personnel matters and annexation agreement reviews.

CORRESPONDENCE & MISCELLANEOUS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

RECESS: Moved by Smith, seconded by Steigert, to recess into Executive Session to discuss litigation.

Voice vote; unanimous ayes carried.

Acting President Schmitt recessed the Regular Meeting at 8:15 P.M.

RECONVENED: The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:25 P.M. with the following Trustees answering a roll call; Donner, Smith, Spella, Schmitt, Read, Steigert. A quorum was established.

REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION: Attorney Rogers reported the Board discussed the status of the Primeco and Cellular Defendant subclass litigation in Cook County. There are two sub classes involved and he felt there was no benefit for the citizens of Algonquin to be involved and has opted out as discussed in the last executive session of December 16. He requested the following action to ratify the exclusion.

1. Moved by Read, seconded by Smith, to ratify the action of the Village Attorney taken on December 12, 2003 in filing a request to be excluded from the Primeco defendant Subclass in the class action pending before Judge Patrick E. McCann in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, County Department, Chancery Division, Case Number 98 CH 5500.

Roll call vote; voting aye -- Read, Steigert, Donner, Smith, Spella, Schmitt.

Motion carried; 6-ayes, 0-nays.

2. Moved by Read, seconded by Spella, to ratify the action of the Village Attorney taken on December 19, 2003 in filing a request to be excluded from the Cellular defendant Subclass in the class action pending before Judge Patrick E. McCann in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, County Department, Chancery Division, Case Number 98 CH 5500.
Roll call vote; voting aye -- Read, Steigert, Donner, Smith, Spella, Schmitt.
Motion carried; 6-ayes, 0-nays.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, it was moved by Smith, seconded by Read, to adjourn.
Voice vote; ayes carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved this 20th day of January, 2003:

Village Clerk, Gerald S. Kautz

Acting Village President, John Schmitt