

VILLAGE OF ALGONQUIN  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
Meeting Minutes  
Algonquin Village Hall Board Room  
June 23, 2015

**AGENDA ITEM 1:** Roll Call to Establish a Quorum

Present: President John Schmitt, Trustees Brian Dianis, Jerry Glogowski, Debby Sosine, Jim Steigert, John Spella, and Robert Smith

Staff Members Present: Tim Schloneger, Village Manager; Bob Mitchard, Public Works Director; and John Bucci, Police Chief. Kelly Cahill, Village Attorney, and Jerry Kautz, Village Clerk, were also in attendance.

Chairperson Jim Steigert called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and announced those in attendance. A quorum was established.

**ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE:**

Clerk Kautz administered the Oath of Office to new Police Officer Mitch Slabinski.

**AUDIENCE:**

1. Donald V. Purn, 1662 Edgewood, Algonquin, said he received a request from former Algonquin Village President Raymond Bangert's family asking why a street has not been named after him. He was elected in the 1970s and served a couple of terms. President Schmitt took this matter under advisement.

**AGENDA ITEM 2:** Community Development  
Nothing to report.

**AGENDA ITEM 3:** General Administration

A. Consider Agreement with RHMG Engineers, Inc. for a Comprehensive Water and Sewer Rate and Fee Study

Mr. Schloneger is recommending that the village authorize an agreement with RHMG Engineers, Inc. for a Comprehensive Water and Sewer Rate and Fee Study with an estimated cost of \$29,880. RHMG offers both expertise in the rate setting field and a detailed scope of work that will ensure that the updated rate structure covers all costs of day-to-day operations, growth, depreciation and debt service for any capital improvement projects. Maintaining safe drinking water and environmentally sound sewer services is one of our most important responsibilities. We are faced with the constant challenge of balancing our interests in offering these fundamental public health services at an affordable price against the necessity of managing our systems in a financially sustainable manner. Water, sewer and all other utilities are businesses, regardless of who owns them. The village's water and sewer utilities are businesses that just happen to be owned by government. Through the study we will ensure that the water and sewer rates are not only fair and equitable but are also based on an accurate cost of service analysis.

Consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this item on to the Village Board for approval.

B. Consider Ordinance Amending Chapter 33, Liquor Control and Liquor Licensing, Amending the Number of Available Class F Liquor Licenses

Mr. Schloneger reported, in accordance with an ordinance passed in 2013 limiting the number of allowable liquor licenses in all classes to the number of licenses issued at that time, the attached proposed ordinance increases the number of available Class F liquor licenses by one. This change is the result of a request from Pie Five to be able to serve beer and wine.

The consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move on to the Board for approval.

C. Consider Ordinance Amending Chapter 33, Liquor Control and Liquor Licensing, Regarding Remote Sales and Curbside Pickup of Alcohol and Tobacco

President Schmitt reported the village has had a couple of queries about whether or not the village allows delivery of alcohol by our liquor license holders and about whether or not we allow curbside pickup of alcohol and tobacco. The State of Illinois does not prohibit curbside pickup and leaves it up to the local municipality as to whether or not they choose to allow it. We are not aware of any other community that allows curbside sales/pickup. As justification to not allow this practice: (1) In the middle of winter, how careful is the store employee going to be in checking ID? (2) How can you tell if the person presenting the ID is the actual person buying the alcohol when they are all bundled up in their car and it is dark? (3) Minors would be more brazen in the dark car than if they had to walk into a lighted store. (4) If minors buy liquor this way and are in a fatal accident, the finger may be pointed at us as to why we would allow this practice. As far as allowing alcohol and tobacco delivery, this would be a bad precedent as there would be no way of monitoring to whom the items were being delivered. We are also amending the liquor code to indicate that alcohol liquor purchases shall only be conducted within the licensees' premises and not curbside. During discussion Mr. Smith asked about allowing actual drive-thru liquor sales as done in other states. Following, it was decided to leave the proposed amendment as is and make a decision in the future if a retailer requests drive-thru.

The consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move on to the Board for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM 4:** Public Works & Safety

A. Consider Waiving of Bidding Requirements for the Purchase of a New International Hook Lift Truck

Mr. Mitchard reported there is currently no state bid contract for large trucks. The state expects to bid these units by late August at the earliest. Public Works has been working with Jeff Flagg from Rush Truck Center on the purchase of a new cab, chassis, and up-fit that will suit the village's needs. Staff requests an expedited no-bid purchase of this unit which will allow the following to occur:

- (1) We will have consistency in fleet product by maintaining International as our truck brand.  
(The state bid could be let to any manufacturer.)
- (2) Our access to parts locally will support good maintenance and efficient repair.
- (3) We will take equipment delivery, potentially for snow season, but at least during this fiscal year.  
(There is a queue of 40 plus vehicles awaiting fabrication once the state bid is let; this will likely postpone our delivery well in to the next fiscal year.)
- (4) We can secure the unit with pricing that is based on expected annual increases of the original state bid.

The price quoted to us by Rush Truck Center is the expired state bid price which includes minor inflationary increases each year since the bid expired (2011). This base price, when coupled with adjustments and additions to meet current emission control and fabrication standards, would be \$81,884.47. Rush Truck Center also works with our fabrication company, Bonnell Industries, to provide the hook-lift unit, dump box, v-box salt spreader, electronic controls, lighting systems, etc. The additional fabricating of the unit, which is standard for all large truck units purchased, will be \$163,144.17. Staff recommends that the Board waive the requirement for bidding and award the purchase of this unit, as noted, to Rush Truck Center in the amount of \$245,028.64. The cost of this unit comes in well below the \$260,000 budgeted.

Following discussion, the consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to pass on to the Board for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM 5:** Executive Session  
Nothing to report.

**AGENDA ITEM 6:** Other Business

1. President Schmitt stated that the village will write a factual communication response to the things being written by the Longmeadow Parkway opposition group. There are several mistruths being spread regarding the plans for the project. The village response will also be available on the website.
2. Mr. Schmitt also reported that he, Mr. Schloneger and Mike Kumbera met with the IDOT secretary regarding funding for major road improvements and projects.

**AGENDA ITEM 7:** Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Steigert adjourned the meeting of the Committee of the Whole at 8:07 p.m.

Submitted: Jerry Kautz, Village Clerk