

VILLAGE OF ALGONQUIN  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
Meeting Minutes  
Algonquin Village Hall Board Room  
November 25, 2008

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

Present: Chairperson – Trustee Sosine; Trustees Dianis, Glogowski, Smith, Spella, and Steigert; and President Schmitt.

Staff Members Present: William Ganek, Village Manager; Jenna Kollings, Assistant Village Manager; Russ Farnum, Community Development Director; Kelly Cahill, Village Attorney

**AGENDA ITEM 2:** Community Development

A. Consider Ordinance Amending Subdivision Ordinance Appendices and Section 22.08 Regarding Installation of Subdivision Improvements

Mr. Farnum presented to the Committee proposed changes to Section 22.08 of the Municipal Code. Changes would include revisions to the required updates to incorporate the Ecological Compliance Assessment Tool and revisions to the standard form for the Letter of Credit.

Mr. Smith asked if the Village can require that a percentage of the dollar amount of the Letter of Credit be in cash. Ms. Cahill stated that banks require collateral before issuing the letters. Mr. Smith then asked if the Village can dictate what banks the builders use. Ms. Cahill replied that is covered by the annexation agreements by listing criteria the banks have to meet.

Mr. Dianis commented that this is a proactive step and is happy that it has been put together.

President Schmitt asked if this would apply to existing as well as new projects. Mr. Farnum stated that it would be extremely difficult to make this policy retroactive.

The Committee of the Whole recommended unanimously that the Ordinance Amending Subdivision Ordinance Appendices and Section 22.08 Regarding Installation of Subdivision Improvements be forwarded to the Village Board for consideration.

**AGENDA ITEM 3:** General Administration

A. Consider Ordinance Amending Section 43.08, Open Burning and Recreational Fires

Mr. Ganek provided a brief overview of the amendment needed to make this section of the Municipal Code consistent with other changes made per the International Fire Code. Open burning regulations have been changed to reflect the International Fire Code, which includes adding the definition of an approved container for recreational burns which do not need a permit. Also, the Fire Protection District will be responsible for issuing Open Burn Permits which do not qualify as an approved recreational burn.

The Committee of the Whole recommended unanimously that the Ordinance Amending Section 43.08, Open Burning and Recreational Fires, be forwarded to the Village Board for consideration.

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

A. Consider Ordinance Declaring Certain Property as Surplus

Mr. Ganek provided a brief description of the two items that were to be listed as surplus.

The Committee of the Whole recommended unanimously that the Ordinance Declaring Certain Property as Surplus be forwarded to the Village Board for consideration.

B. Consider Reducing the Speed Limit on Wentworth and Talaga Drives to 25 MPH

Mr. Ganek summarized the request to reduce the speed limits on Wentworth Drive and Talaga Drive to 25 miles per hour. He referenced studies conducted by the Police Department and their recommendation to reduce the speed limits.

The Committee of the Whole recommended unanimously that the Ordinance Reducing the Speed Limit on Wentworth and Talaga Drives to 25 MPH be forwarded to the Village Board for consideration.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: Executive Session**

No items to discuss.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: Other business**

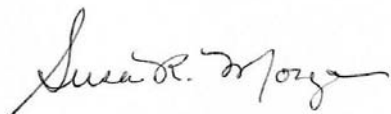
A. President Schmitt mentioned to the Committee of a letter he received from the Village of Kirkland that praises the Village and our Public Works staff for their time and efforts in the sale of a bucket truck to Kirkland.

B. President Schmitt wanted the Committee to be aware of a letter he is sending to Governor Blagojevich opposing the Governor's proposal on the "Emergency Budget Act of Fiscal Year 2009" that could affect funds received into the Village by the State. President Schmitt is not advocating the proposal because it draws funds from the Local Government Distributed Fund.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chairperson Sosine adjourned the meeting of the Committee of the Whole at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Morgan, Recording Secretary