

VILLAGE OF ALGONQUIN  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
Meeting Minutes  
Algonquin Village Hall Board Room  
June 22, 2010

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

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

Staff Members Present: William Ganek, Village Manager; Russ Farnum, Community Development Director; Bob Mitchard, Public Works Director; Kelly Cahill, Village Attorney; Jerry Kautz, Village Clerk

Chairperson Steigert called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. and established a quorum with all Committee members present.

**AGENDA ITEM 2:** Community Development

A. Update on the Randall Road Overlay District

Mr. Farnum reported staff is working on the proposed Overlay District and proceeded to explain where things stand. Instead of the overlay tier system as previously discussed, staff now is examining the concept of “cluster on a chain” where intersection corners would be held for retail/restaurant uses. Mid-blocks would be less restrictive for service uses along with retail. Current banks would be grandfathered in, but, if they should close and another bank does not move in within a year, the Village should have the option to restrict those locations to retail, tax-generating businesses. Mr. Smith stated he would rather see a bank open to help create jobs than see a vacant building. Mr. Dianis said he was in favor of restricting bank locations as did other trustees. Following discussion of the cluster plan, Chairman Steigert asked the Committee of the Whole for consensus and received it for the three specific areas: 1- Office/medical clusters would be restricted behind outlots (no frontage on Randall Road). 2 – Restrict corner intersections and outlots to restaurants and retail. Service-related businesses (hair salons, cleaners) would also be restricted to behind corner outlots but allowed in outlots mid-block. 3 – Algonquin Corporate Campus on the south end of the corridor would still allow for mixed use of industrial, office, and service businesses. Also discussed and agreed upon by the Committee of the Whole was that a gas station should be allowed at the southern end of the corridor on the southbound side and possibly on the northbound side of Randall. Any automotive service businesses should be contained in one particular cluster, behind outlots (no frontage on Randall), and not spread throughout the rest of the corridor. Mr. Steigert asked and received total consensus to allow staff to continue planning and moving forward with this revised concept.

**AGENDA ITEM 3:** General Administration

A. Consider Ordinance Amending Chapter 42.13, Judicial Review, of the Algonquin Municipal Code

Mr. Ganek and Attorney Cahill reported that this ordinance will state that when a respondent appeals a decision of our municipal court judge, the respondent will be required to reimburse the Village for the costs of having a transcript prepared of the audio tape and then certified. Currently, in the case of an appeal, the respondent only pays a filing fee with full burden on the Village to pay remaining costs. Staff recommends approval. During discussion, Messrs. Schmitt and Smith both asked if it was fair for the Village to charge the transcript fee to a respondent if

they are found not liable in a higher court. The other trustees agreed, so the consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to rewrite the ordinance to reflect a “losers pay” philosophy. Once Attorney Cahill rewrites the ordinance, it will move on for approval at the next Village Board meeting.

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

- A. Consider Resolution Reclassifying Certain Roads as Federal Aid Urban (FAU) Routes

Certain Village streets can now be classified as collector roads which enables the Village to apply for federal funding through the McHenry County Council of Mayors Surface Transportation Program (STP). Federal funding pays up to 80%, with a maximum of \$1 million per project. It is imperative to get these requests before the Council of Mayors in July. The streets are as follows; 1 - Bunker Hill Drive from Wentworth to Square Barn Road; 2 - Wintergreen Terrace/Fairway View from Square Barn to Bunker Hill Drive; 3 - Stonegate from Huntington North to County Line Road; 4 - Springhill Drive/Gaslight Drive/Cardinal Drive from Hanson to Edgewood Drive; 5 - Glacier Parkway from Highland Avenue to Lake Cook Road; and 6 - Longmeadow Parkway from Randall to Sleepy Hollow Road. Mr. Mitchard reported that in regard to Items 4 and 6, a letter of approval is needed as those streets are in Kane County. He will have the paperwork as soon as possible for those streets but would like approval now on Items 1, 2, 3, and 5. The consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this on for approval at the next Village Board meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM 5: Executive Session**

No items to discuss.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: Other business**

No items to discuss.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chairperson Steigert adjourned the meeting of the Committee of the Whole at 8:27 p.m.

Submitted: Jerry Kautz, Village Clerk