

Village of Algonquin
Committee of the Whole
Meeting Minutes
Algonquin Village Hall Board Room
December 14, 2010

AGENDA ITEM 1: Roll Call to Establish a Quorum:

Present: Chairperson – Trustee Debby Sosine; Trustees Jerry Glogowski, Trustee Brian Dianis, and President John Schmitt.

Absent: Trustee John Spella

Staff Members Present: William Ganek, Village Manager; Michael Kumbera, Management Assistant; Russ Farnum, Community Development Director; Katie Parkhurst, Senior Planner; Robert Mitchard, Public Works Director; and Jerry Kautz, Village Clerk

Chairperson Sosine called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and established a quorum with all Committee members present except for Trustee Spella. Trustee Spella arrived at 7:34 p.m. at the start of the Executive Session.

AGENDA ITEM 2: General Administration

A. Executive Session to interview with a potential candidate to fill a vacancy on the Planning & Zoning Commission.

1. Moved by Steigert, seconded by Smith, to recess to Executive Session to interview a potential candidate to fill a vacancy on the Planning & Zoning Commission. Roll call vote; voting aye – Steigert, Smith, Spella, Sosine, Glogowski, Dianis. Motion carried; 6-ayes, 0-nays. Recess at 7:33 p.m. Reconvene the Committee of the Whole at 7:59 p.m. Roll call found Trustees Sosine, Dianis, Glogowski, Steigert, Smith, Spella, and President Schmitt present. Report was that a prospect candidate was interviewed for the position.

B. Presentation of the Algonquin/LITH Food pantry Rehab Project

Mr. Dick Hoferle, Representative of the Food Pantry, gave an overview of plans to rehab the current building. He requested possible assistance in grant writing, and will provide more information regarding their fundraising efforts. Hopeful start of rehab would be in eighteen (18) months. No official action is necessary.

C. Consider Ordinance to Accept Land Donation of the Bluffs Northwest of the Routes 62 and 31 Intersection.

Mr. Ganek reported the ordinance is required to accept this valuable piece of land being donated to the Village with the condition the Village will be responsible 2010 property taxes.

Attorney for the donators, Mr. Scarpelli was present to answer any questions. The consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this matter to the Board for approval.

D. Consider Agreement with Clearwire for Wireless Equipment at Jacobs Water Tower.

It was reported that Clearwire will pay a one-time contribution to the Village of \$12,000 and pay an annual rent of \$24,000 with an increase of 4% per annum. The agreement is for five years, and automatically renews for three successive five year terms unless it is terminated. Clearwire must adhere to insurance and indemnification requirements. Staff recommends approval. The consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this matter forward to the Board for approval.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Community Development

A. Hobby Lobby – (2010-09) Lots 12, 13, & 14 in the Esplanade between Randall Road and Esplanade Drive, PUD Amendment and Final Plat of Resubdivision.

Ms. Katie Parkhurst reported this project is part of the Phase one of the Esplanade. Petitioner's architect, Charles Smith was present to answer questions or concerns. Mr. Steigert immediately said he does not like the south elevation in the current plan. Mr. Smith responded that some changes were made at the suggestion of the Planning & Zoning Commission of last night that would address his concerns. There will be offsets to the southern side of the building along with plenty of tall landscaping so that people on Randall Road going north would see a pleasant looking building. Mr. Glogowski stated he likes the plan and happy to have Hobby Lobby in the Village. Trustees Spella and Smith questioned if this location would take business from the other Hobby Lobby facilities in Crystal Lake and Elgin. They were told that Hobby Lobby is family owned and they do extensive research to see that the locations they choose do not conflict with their other properties. The plan also includes accommodations for recycling. After further questions, President Schmitt, along with the Board stated he likes the plan very much and is looking forward to having them in Algonquin. It was the consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this forward, with the changes discussed tonight, to the Board for approval.

AGENDA ITEM 4: Public Works & Safety

A. Consider Bids:

1. Manchester Lakes Overflow Storm Sewer Replacement

Mr. Mitchard reported the low bidder for the replacement of 1060 feet of 24 inch reinforced concrete pipe (Alternate 2) at the Manchester Lake project was Martam Construction with a cost of \$120,368. The Village will be responsible for \$65,368 costs and the balance will be paid by the Huntley Fire Protection District. Following discussion it was the consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this matter forward to the Board for approval.

2. Various Public Works Projects

Mr. Mitchard reported the three (3) following maintenance project bids need approval:

- Reconstruction of the limestone slab wall at Cornish Park, with the addition of rip-rap along the shoreline.
- Towne Park bridge abutment work and reinforcement on the foot bridge.
- Reconstruction of the failed modular block retaining wall at the end of Meadow Drive on the south end of the Village.

Two of the projects are in the budget, but the Meadow Drive project is an emergency caused by heavy rains this summer. Copenhagen Construction was the low bidder at \$78,097. The Village Engineers concur with staff regarding these bids. Funds will come from the Operating Fund of Parks & Forestry, and \$45,000 from the Road Construction Fund. It was the consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this matter forward to the Board for approval.

- B. Consider Ordinance Amending Chapter 41, Traffic, Adding a Two Way Stop on Westbourne at Wynnfield Drive and Establishing Creeks Crossing Drive as 25 MPH.

Mr. Kumbera reported staff recommends these changes to provide additional traffic safety in the areas of the Creeks Crossing Subdivision, which is now open to public traffic. The consensus of the Committee of the Whole was to move this matter forward to the Board for approval.

AGENDA ITEM 5: Executive Session None

AGENDA ITEM 6: Other Business

President Schmitt stated he is recommending Judi Zaplatynsky will be appointed to the Planning & Zoning Commission, with Jim Patrician appointed as Chairman to replace Maggie Auger who resigned to take a position as a Kane County Board Member

There being no further business, Chairperson Sosine adjourned the meeting at 9:10 PM.

Submitted: Jerry Kautz, Village Clerk