

COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF PORT BARRINGTON  
LAKE AND MCHENRY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
September 1, 2021

President Vogeler called the monthly Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 pm. The following Trustees were present: Cillo, Grothendick, Fecske and Corrigan. Trustee Tuke was absent. There was one vacancy.

Minutes of the August 4, 2021 Committee meeting were before the Board. Trustee Grothendick motioned to approve. Trustee Cillo seconded. Roll call was taken: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. 1 vacancy. Motion approved.

Minutes of the August 4, 2021 Executive Session were before the Board. Trustee Cillo motioned to approve. Trustee Feske seconded. Roll call was taken: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent. 1 vacancy. Motion approved.

The meeting was open to the floor at 7:03pm.

Allen Shelton from 21 N. Circle addressed the Board to say that he wants to widen his driveway approach to 28' and was denied a permit. Per Frank DeSort the maximum is 18'. He stated he has a 75' wide lot and it is for convenience of not having to move cars around to get in and out. President Vogeler stated that the width allowance is by ordinance. The Village Board would refer him to the Zoning Board to go through the variance process.

#### PORT BARRINGTON WATERWAY COMMISSION

There is a blue green algae bloom in Illinois. There is concern for swimmers and it can kill dogs. Information has been presented in the Village newsletter and Facebook page. The Board considered an educational sign at the boat launch to help residents identify. Jody Thelin will research sign content from the IEPA.

#### ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

President Vogeler asked to poll for opinion of the Bateman Law firm who is currently acting as temporary interim counsel to the Village. Trustees Corrigan, Cillo, Fecske and Grothendick all agreed the relationship is acceptable and should be preserved. President Vogeler will send a letter to confirm that the Village requests the Bateman Law Firm represent the Village as Village Attorney. The Bateman's letter to the Village stated that their prices would stay the same.

## POLICE AND CODE ENFORCEMENT

President Vogeler asked Trustee Fecske to have code enforcement come into the Village Hall. Frank DeSort requested an opportunity to meet.

A resident has been confronting people who park at Fox Trail Park. They contacted Wauconda Police who refused to write tickets. President Vogeler wrote to the individual to say that parking there is not a violation of any Village ordinance. Rusty was asked to order signs that say “overflow parking” to post there.

Changes to the employee handbook were sent to Jim Bateman. A draft ordinance is now available to approve at the next Board Meeting.

Insurance adjusters were out after the last meeting regarding the insurance claim. The estimate is \$18,000.00 worth of damage. Jay Motley provided an estimate and confirmed quantities needed for supplies. Another estimate will be collected for comparison. The Port-o-potty was replaced.

Trustee Grothendick is seeking IML guidance to put the vehicle tax on real estate bills. He is in discussion with Prairieland and also Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District.

## HEALTH AND SAFETY

Trustee Fecske stated that the mask mandate in Illinois began yesterday. Donna Erfort stated that there was a template from the IML with information about IML policy and procedure for Covid enforcement including mandatory vaccination. The options included that the unvaccinated must be tested at intervals. A poll of the Board regarding mandatory vaccine requirements resulted in a 50/50 split. President Vogeler stated the matter would be considered at the next Board meeting.

## STREETS AND ROADS

Lake County DOT has not begun work to stripe crosswalks. They hope to start in 2 weeks. Rusty Issleb did repairs to the bridge prior to inspection. The report is not yet ready.

There is a new grant opportunity for bridges but the work must total more than one million dollars so the Village does not qualify.

A letter of request for the 80/20 grant was sent to DOT for bridge work.

Quotes to pave Peninsula and Channel were received but core samples must be pulled first.

SKC crack sealing is not scheduled to do bridge sealing yet.

Signs for parking restrictions have not been ordered yet. There was a recap of intention and how many at what cost.

## FORESTRY

A tree will be planted at the Garden Party

## PARKS AND RECREATION

The Garden Party will be 09/11/2021. Trustee Cillo received a donation from Camping World of 2 lounge chairs to raffle off. Volunteers are needed for the Garden Party.

## BEE CITY

Tallgrass will plant pollinator gardens on Friday.

## FINANCE

Trustee Grothendick stated that first quarter budget meetings were held. A Whistleblower ordinance was sent by Jim Bateman. Donna Erfort said that the State's Attorney sent an explanation and a form. It is the result of a State statute. Most of it is not relevant to the Village but will be approved at the next Board meeting.

## BUILDING AND ZONING

230 Eastwood was demolished, the sewer pulled and a silt fence is up there.

## ADMINISTRATION

Donna Erfort attended the Island Lake meeting and presented a letter of opposition to the zoning for cows. The did deny the permit to rezone.

Donna met with the individual with property adjacent to the Village boundary who clear cut a path on Village property. President Vogler stated the pictures make it appear at least 12 trees of substantial size were cut down. The Village Attorney will be instructed to write and inform of the violation and include an invoice. Donna will ask Jim Bateman if a police report should be filed.

## PUBLIC WORKS

President Vogeler stated that the bricks behind the community center would be finished in time for the Garden Party.

## OLD/NEW

Trustee Corrigan is looking into a "safe road to school" program that Lake and McHenry Counties mapped out. A path connecting Village to Cotton Creek is not included in the 5-year plan.

President Vogeler stated the Board would be asked to approve the ADT security system at the next Board meeting.

The meeting was open to the floor at 8:23. No questions or comments were heard. Trustee Grothendick motioned to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. Trustee Corrigan seconded. Roll call was taken: 4 Ayes, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 1 vacancy. Motion approved.

The Board moved to Executive Session at 8:25pm.  
The Regular Board meeting resumed at 9:10pm.

The Board did advise and consent President Vogeler appoint Tom Fleissner to Village Trustee for the remainder of a 2-year term. Trustee Cillo motioned to approve and Trustee Grothendick seconded. Roll call was taken; 3 Ayes, 1 Absent, 1 Nay, 1 Vacancy. Motion approved.

Trustee Cillo motioned to adjourn. Trustee Grothendick seconded. Roll call was taken: 4 Aye, 1 Absent, 0 Nays, 1 Vacancy. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy Bachal, Village Clerk

AYES   4    
NAYS   0    
ABSENT   2—Fescke, Grothendick    
ABSTAIN   0    
APPROVED   October 6, 2021