

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE VILLAGE OF PORT BARRINGTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LAKE AND MCHENRY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

October 20, 2021

President Vogeler called to order the regularly scheduled Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 7:01 pm. The following Trustees were present: Fecske, Grothendick, Tuke, Fleissner and Cillo. Trustee Corrigan attended virtually. Becky Bateman Alexopoulos was present.

President Vogeler asked the Board to set the agenda affirming no conflicts of interest and Trustee Grothendick motioned to set the agenda. Trustee Tuke seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Tuke motioned to approve the consent agenda with the minutes of the August 18, 2021 Board Meeting, September 15, 2021 Board minutes, Executive Session minutes from September 15, 2021, Amended bills payable July 22 through August 18, 2021, September 2021 Treasurer's Report included. Trustee Fleissner seconded. Roll call was taken; 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. The motion was approved.

Bills payable through October 20, 2021 was before the Board. Trustee Cillo motioned to approve the Bills Payable. Trustee Grothendick seconded. Roll call was taken: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

Resident Peter Hajdr was present to offer input on electric car purchase and charging station initiative. He described his experience and offered to answer any questions regarding the vehicles. President Vogeler recapped that the grant award is \$10,000.00 and the Village would pay the difference for a small electric car with wrap to identify as Village owned and electric. Mr Hajdr asked about charging stations. Trustee Fleissner stated that Lake Zurich has one in their parking lot. Mr. Hajdr stated there is an app called Plugshare to advertise. The award letter requires fulfillment by March 31, 2022. There is Federal legislation pending to offer a \$12,500.00 credit if a new electric vehicle is purchased. Mr. Hajdr stated that January or February would be good timing for purchase and recommended Nissan Leaf or VW Eagle cars. Trustee Fleissner will send a letter about the Board's intentions to qualify for grant requirements. Trustee Tuke asked if the charging station presented any liability concerns or increased insurance costs.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Mike Weiner stated that the Comprehensive Plan still needed photos.

A variance packet was sent to the Village. Frank DeSort will be asked for input.

Mike Weiner stated that the electrical code should be updated and recommended IBC 2015.

President Vogeler responded that the 2015 IBC requires residential sprinklers and since the Village is on wells for water it would require underground tanks. It is not feasible.

PBERT

Trustee Fecske put together an emergency response plan for the former Village President. He asked if the Board would care to review. The response was a unanimous yes.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Trustee Fecske stated there were many written warnings regarding code compliance. There was a truck parked on Oak Street that was issued a citation. Most of the warnings were regarding parking in a cul-de-sac. Trustee Fecske asked if those would be designated as fire lanes. President Vogeler stated that the current ordinance was not being altered, but there is a plan to do so. The Village must work with the Wauconda Fire Department.

Trustee Fecske stated that there are options for a Covid response.

- A) Require face covering and employee testing
- B) Require vaccination
- C) Do nothing.

He asked to poll the Board for opinion. Becky Bateman Alexopoulos stated that the employee handbook doesn't address vaccination, but just follow CDC guidelines. Other municipalities have amended the handbook to include a pandemic policy and this is her recommendation to codify and add language that is searchable. She stated the alternative option would be to pass a Resolution.

Trustees Tuke, Grothendick, Fleissner and Cillo polled to pass a resolution. Trustee Fecske preferred no action. Trustee Corrigan asked if the Village would terminate for non-compliance. There was discussion about testing frequency. It was determined that the majority recommended twice weekly. A resolution would be prepared for consideration.

The Intergovernmental Agreement with the Moorings for snow removal was not complete and therefore tabled.

STREETS AND ROADS

Trustee Corrigan stated that striping had not yet been done.

Trustee Corrigan stated that Village Ordinance already prohibits parking on the curve on South Circle just after Center Street ends. Signs must be placed there to enforce.

Rusty Issleb accompanied Manhard Engineering to do borings at eight locations for paving. If the budget could support it could be accomplished this year.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Trustee Cillo stated that ILM has the permit from the IEPA for a burn around Hermann pond.

Exercise equipment should arrive October 28, 2021 and Trustee Cillo will work with Rusty Issleb for placement.

The Halloween party and Trick-or-treat are scheduled for 10/31/2021.

The Chili cook-off is scheduled for 11/14/2021 but may be cancelled due to Covid.

Trustee Fleissner is looking into a new PA system.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Trustee Tuke found an alternative Port Barrington Facebook page. He contacted Facebook to report as unauthorized, but there are no enforcement options. The Village can create another page and designate as “official”.

The Facebook presence would promote the REC committee and need for new member volunteers as well as events.

Trustee Tuke is scheduled to do meet with Village business’ the first week of November.

FINANCE

Trustee Grothendick stated that the ARPA prove up was pushed to April to submit intentions to spend \$202,000.00. The Cares Act money could allow the Village to purchase a tent and PA system and provide for electrical connections to hold meetings outdoors in the event of a surge in the virus. It will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

President Vogeler contacted the insurance company about the settlement and an additional \$4,000.00 was received. Another claim will be filed as the salt was polluted with fibers during the fire.

Trustee Grothendick stated that the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District had no interest in adding the Village vehicle tax as a line item. Prairieland waste disposal has not yet responded. Collections continue for past due amounts. President Vogeler recommended sending to a collection agency. Trustee Corrigan had information about two companies used by neighboring municipalities.

President Vogeler asked Becky Bateman Alexopoulos to discuss \$200.00 gift cards for residents. She stated that it doesn't fit requirements unless it is used as incentive to get vaccinated and could then apply under ARPA. Those who recently rejoined the workforce could qualify as encouraging economic development. Reporting goes 5 years beyond expenses so a separate fund should be set up for reporting. A written statement of how much was spent with each business and a record of who got the cards and why must be kept. Discussion will continue at the next Committee Meeting.

BUILDING AND ZONING

President Vogeler stated that there is an update on Riverwalk rill permits. An agency gave the HOA a wetland exclusion that is sunsetting. Phases will take 3 years. Manhard Engineering is to make inspections and issue permits for clean-out. Their intent is to run the rills in future.

President Vogeler stated there is a floodway buy-out opportunity through FEMA with 100% reimbursement. The only issue is that the Village would have to buy those houses and then get paid back. Donna Erfort stated there was a meeting to discuss further tomorrow.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

Ordinance 2021-10-1 was before the Board to amend "canvassers, peddlers and solicitors" under Chapter 112 of the Village Code. Trustee Tuke motioned to approve. Trustee Grothendick seconded. Roll call was taken; 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion approved.

President Vogeler directed the Village Attorney to review fines and liens on the Cheeseman properties and report to the Board.

ENGINEERING

There is a meeting tomorrow to discuss FEMA buyout options.

ADMINISTRATION

EJ's phone was damaged while working. A replacement was purchased for \$300.00. Trustee Grothendick suggested reimbursement for half the costs. The Board agreed to \$150.00.

PUBLIC WORKS

Storm sewer repairs are underway.

There is a tree down in the channel at Nichols Park. It is not blocking the channel. Volunteers will cut it up.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

President Vogeler stated he met with the REC committee about welcome bags for new residents. Village businesses will contribute toward content. Trustee Tuke was asked to write the welcome letter from the Board.

President Vogeler stated that Mike Polito quoted \$650.00 to run electricity to the pavilion. Fixtures and a timer would add another \$200.00. There was no objection from the Board. The payment would come from the Cares Act fund.

OLD/NEW

Trustee Fecske stated that he was asked for a date from the shredders. Trustee Grothendick responded May 21, 2022.

The meeting was open to the floor at 8:58pm.

No questions or comments were heard.

Trustee Cillo motioned to adjourn. Trustee Grothendick seconded. Roll call was taken: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Bachal, Village Clerk

AYES 4
NAYS 0
ABSENT 2 – Cillo, Corrigan
ABSTAIN 0
APPROVED November 17, 2021