

COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF PORT BARRINGTON  
LAKE AND MCHENRY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
February 2, 2022

President Vogeler called the monthly Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:22 pm. The following Trustees were present; Corrigan, Grothendick, Fecske, Tuke and Fleissner were present and Trustee Cillo attended remotely.

Minutes of the January 05, 2022 Committee Meeting were before the Board. Trustee Cillo motioned to approve with one change included under Administration. Trustee Grothendick seconded. Roll call was taken: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion approved.

#### PLANNING COMMISSION

Keith Kotarski sent information to the Board about the Public Hearing for the Comprehensive Plan and clarified that process.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY

Trustee Fecske stated there was overnight patrol from Wauconda Code Enforcement on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of January. No citations were issued but 10 warnings were written. Trustee Fecske sent FOIA requests to both Lake and McHenry County Police. No response was received from McHenry. Lake County did respond but there was nothing remarkable. All Natural Hazard Mitigation planning meetings are beginning. Donna Erfort will forward information to Trustee Fecske.

#### STREETS AND ROADS

Donna Erfort stated that the Recreation Committee will renew the Adopt-a-Highway program. There is \$431,000.00 in the MFT fund.

#### FORESTRY

President Vogeler stated that Rusty Issleb counted and recorded sizes of the trees that were cut down on Village property by an adjacent property owner. The actual amount owed based on the Village ordinance should be \$48,000.00. There was one oak tree cut down that was 26" in diameter and likely 100 years old. The fine for just that tree is \$4,800.00. Rusty doesn't want to plant replacement trees under the thick canopy there. Trustee Corrigan stated that by ordinance the replacement trees must stay alive for 18 months. The average cost at the nursery for a 3" tree is \$200.00 and at least 12 other trees were cut down that should be replaced. The estimated cost to plant and keep it for 18 months adds another \$200.00 per tree. That brings the cost for 12 trees to \$4,800.00 and the oak tree is valued at \$4,800.00. Combined, the total fine to the property owner would be \$9,600.00. President Vogler will write a letter to send demanding that sum.

Trustee Tuke stated that the Deer Grove former HOA President said they've hired someone to clear the tree that fell into an adjacent yard. He wrote to the owner of that yard.

Donna Erfort stated that EJ is taking arborist classes. She told the professor that Port Barrington is a Tree City USA and he was impressed.

## PARKS AND RECREATION

Trustee Cillo stated that the Garden Party committee is looking for a band. The Garden Party will be on September 17, 2022. There was discussion of allocating more funds for this purpose. The Broken Oar requested a special event permit for St. Patrick's Day. St. Pat's is in the middle of the week so they request permits for bands on the weekend before and after. There was no objection from the Board.

Trustee Cillo stated that Basset training cards for the REC committee expire this year. The Village paid for that training before and will pay for it again. Attendees will be required to volunteer at least one REC Committee function.

Trustee Cillo stated there was a request for use of the Heron Room starting in April. It is a non-resident looking to use it for Boy Scout meetings. President Vogeler stated the Board would discuss and set policy at the next meeting.

Trustee Cillo is getting quotes for exercise equipment and a gazebo.

## BEE CITY

Donna Erfort stated that reports for the pollinator grant were underway.

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Board agreed to have the Bateman's review the Ordinance for increase in the fee for video gaming machines.

Trustee Tuke stated that the Bateman's will look at the easement by Roger's Automotive to consider a possible lease agreement.

Trustee Tuke met with the owner of No Wake and they suggested a "Social" for the three bars/restaurants in the Village.

President Vogeler stated that he would want the first nomination for "Hometown Hero" to come from the Village Board. He suggested hats to give away to those who are spotlighted for this purpose. Trustee Tuke stated that the Board must consider criteria for this award and would confirm at the next meeting.

## FINANCE

Trustee Grothendick stated his intention to schedule more quarterly budget reviews.

Trustee Tuke agreed to be on the Scholarship Committee. Trustee Corrigan will drop off of that committee.

Donna Erfort stated that Tim Viera, the IT representative, came in to discuss issues and security. Costs range from \$1,500.00 to \$4,000.00. The Village will request a written proposal. Trustee Grothendick stated that the Surface Pro computers were received. The Geek Squad will do set-up of Microsoft 365.

Cares Act expenses were submitted. They are asking for more information in a different format. An extension was granted for revision to submit for just under \$38,000.00.

There was discussion of new legislation regarding lobbyist activity. The Bateman's will be asked to offer an opinion on impact to the Village.

## BUILDING AND ZONING

Trustee Fleissner stated that the deadline for the Com Ed grant submission was 03/31/2022. President Vogeler stated that the initial expense was estimated at \$10,000.00, but now is likely nearer to \$25,000.00. He asked the Board to consider whether to pursue or not. Trustee Corrigan stated that there was more expense, but the Village cannot get what they want. It doesn't make sense to pursue. Trustees Fleissner, Cillo, Fecske and Grothendick agreed. Trustee Fleissner will ask for a 3-month extension now to see if price and availability will be in range.

Donna Erfort stated she put work into renewing CRS and it is approved.

## ROUNDTABLE

President Vogeler stated that Brian Cheeseman owned three properties in the Village. One went to foreclosure and the Village acquired, but with considerable expense. It cost \$10,000.00 to transfer the title, etc. He and his attorney will attend the next Board meeting to propose to sell the remaining two properties to the Village at \$80,000.00 each. President Vogeler stated that the Board could ask if the offer is negotiable. The subject would then be taken into consideration at Executive Session.

President Vogeler stated he has a meeting on February 6, 2022 with the Barrington Area Council of Mayors.

## ADMINISTRATION

Economic interest statements are coming by email. They must be completed and returned. Donna Erfort stated she still had an old email address from 5 years ago that forwards to the current email. The Board agreed to terminate.

The No Wake is holding a raffle in April and asked whether they need a permit. This will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

President Vogeler made a proclamation in support of the "I Love This Town" campaign. The Wauconda Chamber of Commerce sent information about it. The No Wake will join the Chamber. The Broken Oar already did.

Trustee Tuke volunteered to be the census contact.

President Vogeler asked Trustee Corrigan to speak about file sharing. Trustee Corrigan gave a presentation to compare google docs and SharePoint with Office 365 for a Cloud solution for file sharing. He recommended Office 365. The Board agreed.

Trustee Corrigan will contact Tim Viera about set up of Surface Pro computers with windows and Office 365.

OLD/NEW

Trustee Grothendick stated the submission date for ARPA was April 30, 2022.

The meeting was open to the floor at 9:42pm

There were no questions or comments heard.

Trustee Grothendick motioned to adjourn. Trustee Fleissner seconded. Roll call was taken: 6 Aye, 0 Absent, 0 Nays. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Nancy Bachal, Village Clerk

AYES   5  

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ABSENT   1 - Fecske  

ABSTAIN   0  

APPROVED   March 2, 2022