

COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF PORT BARRINGTON
LAKE AND MCHENRY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS
September 7, 2022

President Vogeler called the monthly Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 pm. The following Trustees were present; Corrigan, Cillo and Tuke, Grothendick, Lawrence and Fleissner.

There was no Committee Meeting held in August 2022. No minutes were presented for approval.

ERT

Trustee Corrigan stated that Joe Cali is interested in the ERT or Planning Commission vacancies. President Vogeler stated he spoke with him about both. Donna Erfort forwarded his contact information to Mike Weiner of the Planning Commission to contact him direct.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Trustee Grothendick stated that Clearwater Weed Cutters offered to do another weed cut in the channels. It was the 4th cut this year.

President Vogeler stated that the home at 142 Park Drive installed a very large playset 5' from the road in the front yard. Frank DeSort red tagged them as it is in the floodway and not allowed in the front yard. The resident sent a threatening email saying he had verbal permission and has it on audio. The house is for sale. Engineers determined it could be in the backyard if properly anchored.

President Vogeler stated there is a house on Eastwood with a garage under the house and they want to fill it in. Frank DeSort told them a permit is required.

Trustee Grothendick described an abandoned and vacant house in the Village. There was a hoarding situation and four dumpsters have been filled so far. President Vogeler stated that Frank DeSort is aware of the situation.

STREETS AND ROADS

Trustee Corrigan walked the Eastwood paving project with Manhard Engineering and created a punchlist.

All the paperwork for the bridge has been sent to the Engineers to work with IDOT for pre-planning.

Cary is seeking a meeting to gauge interest in participating in funding 20% of the Cary Partnership for Fox River Corridor Bike Trail. 80% of the cost is anticipated to come from grant funds.

FORESTRY

Trustee Corrigan stated that Goodmark Nursery is having a sale on trees with 40-50% off. Some fines were paid for tree removal and funds are available to buy trees.

President Vogeler stated that 5 trees were identified by Public Works that are 50' tall and dead. A verbal quote of \$3,200.00 was received. 2 additional trees were added and the quote went up to \$4,200.00.

President Vogeler stated that Public did tree trimming at Riverwalk. Last time the Village paid \$13,000.00 to have that work performed.

The Board voted unanimously to approve \$4,200.00 pending approval at the next Board Meeting.

Jody Thelin wants to have a Swamp Oak tree planted in the park near her in memory of her late husband. The Board agreed to pay for it and will get a memorial plaque to place there.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Trustee Cillo stated that Riverfest planning is confirmed. There will be a ribbon cutting for the pollinator gardens. She requested that Trustees participate in the Riverfest throughout the day. Baskets for raffle are nearly complete.

The price for Goosechasers went up. Their quote for August through November is \$2,500.00. Their proposal was for March – June of 2023 and Trustee Cillo is not certain they can commit to August – November for the additional \$2,500.00

Donna Erfort stated there are 2 properties in the Village up for auction. One is on North Circle and the other is on South Circle. The Village could purchase them for \$749.00. They must remain open space and be maintained, but not in desirable locations. Neither is buildable.

BUILDING AND ZONING

Trustee Fleissner discussed changing the ComEd grant request from an electric car to an electric utility vehicle. There was no response from the grant contact at ComEd. Chevy Volt cars are not available and the prices are inflated. The utility vehicle would cost \$7,500.00 for the Village and the same amount from the grant. The Board stepped outside at this time to view the vehicle under consideration. With accessories such as a plow the cost to the Village could increase to \$10,000.00 with a match from the grant in the same amount. Approval from ComEd must be obtained. Trustee Tuke asked about the cost to replace the battery. The battery is guaranteed for 5 years.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Trustee Tuke spoke to the “Hometown Hero” and he will attend Riverfest. Trustee Tuke is ordering shirts and getting gift cards.

FINANCE

Trustee Grothendick stated that 1st quarter budget reviews are being set up.

ADMINISTRATION

The hard drive from the old computer must be safely disposed of. For now, it is in the safe.

PUBLIC WORKS

EJ is working on the trail at Fox Trail Park. Trees were trimmed there and mulched with chips. Pictures will be sent to post on social media.

EJ is back with the Village and is not leaving.

Donna Erfort stated that signs for pollinator gardens have been installed.

ENGINEERS

President Vogeler stated that Mark Rooney is working on final drawings for the municipal building.

The meeting was open to the floor at 8:20pm.

No questions or comments were heard.

Trustee Grothendick motioned to move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters of personnel. Trustee Fleissner seconded. Roll call was taken; 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent. Motion approved.

The regular Committee Meeting resumed at 8:37pm

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Bachal, Village Clerk

AYES 5

NAYS 0

ABSENT 1 – Cillo

ABSTAIN 0

APPROVED October 5, 2022