

Village President Brolley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Trustee Sperling	Yea	Trustee Jungermann	Yea
Trustee Lee	Yea	Trustee Marecek	Yea
Trustee Heinz	Yea	Trustee Bond	No

Also present: Village President Brolley, Administrator Jeff Zoephel, Attorney Laura Julien, Chief of Police Daniel Meyers, Deputy Chief Armando Sanders, Director of Public Works Todd Hoppenstedt, Director of Finance Justin VanVooren, Director of Community Development Rich Young, Engineer Peter Wallers, Members of the Press and others.

Public Participation

A. Public Comments (Two Minute Opportunity).

Mr. Dave Kennedy of Montgomery thanked the Village for the credit on water. Mr. Kennedy asked for clarification in regards to the flow of the water as well as the timeline of the program. Director Hoppenstedt gave an update on the program and cleared up the misunderstanding regarding the water flow. Mr. Kennedy asked for a timeline in regards to how long until a change in the color of the water would be seen. Director Hoppenstedt gave an overview of the timeline and the specifics that would go into the process. Director Hoppenstedt stated that they have put a schedule of events together for the community meeting and he can send that to Mr. Kennedy and they will also communicate that to the residents as the process begins.

Bev Schwartz, who lives on Timberlane Drive in Seasons Ridge, stated her concerns regarding a neighbor who is feeding various wild animals which in turn is inundating the neighborhood with those wild animals. She stated her concerns that the animals are destroying property. She stated that she has tried to approach the neighbor and is looking for direction at this point. President Brolley stated that he appreciates that she has brought this to the Village's attention. Staff will look into whether or not the Village has an ordinance for this type of incident and someone will get back to her on this.

B. Dr. Craig from School District 129.

Dr. Craig, Superintendent of School District 129, gave an update on the state of the district. He stated that at Nicholson Elementary they are putting in geothermal heating and cooling for the building which should be done around the 22nd of April. They are trying to limit the mobile classrooms, therefore the additions to the schools will begin April 11th and they will be putting four new classrooms in to accommodate the mobile classrooms as well as other classrooms and updates for Nicholson. He then gave updates in regards to the other various school projects. Dr. Craig then detailed the specifics to geothermal heating and cooling. They are looking to save about 60% on

utility bills. They are finishing up geothermal drilling and the first week of April they will put the additions on, expanding at Aurora West High as well as doing various upgrades. He lastly stated they are updating all but two of their schools. He detailed the various buildings they have acquired and the plans for those buildings. He thanked the community for their support.

Trustee Lee asked if Hill Elementary School will be done by the beginning of the next school year. Dr. Craig stated that it is about an eleven month project; therefore, they hope to have it open for the following school year in the fall of 2017.

Trustee Marecek asked if geothermal heating is new for school districts. Dr. Craig stated that it has been around for a while, but may be new to school districts and the labor costs have come down quite a bit therefore it is more cost effective. Dr. Craig then detailed the savings the district will benefit from as well as the benefits of geothermal heating and cooling. Trustee Marecek commended Dr. Craig and his staff for the creative problem solving.

Trustee Jungermann asked when Smith Elementary was done and asked about the company that did the project. He stated that he has worked with the same company that did the project.

President Brolley stated that if there is anything they can do on the Nicolson project they are more than willing to help out.

C. Proclamation for National Athletic Training Month.

President Brolley read the National Athletic Training Proclamation.

Trustee Marecek moved to **approve the Proclamation for National Athletic Training Month.** Trustee Jungermann seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee, Trustee Heinz, Trustee Jungermann voting yea.

President Brolley then acknowledged the students from Oswego High School who proposed this proclamation to the Village.

D. Public Hearing on the Budget (Justin)

Administrator Zoepfel reviewed that the Board has publically discussed most of the budget, and if the Board still has items they would like to discuss they can have the Committee of the Whole to discuss those items; however, if the Board does not have any items they would like to discuss they would then not have the Committee of the Whole meeting and have the second reading of the budget ordinance on the 28th of March.

Trustee Sperling asked if the budget has been posted to the website for public review. Director VanVooren stated that it has been put up on the Village website.

President Brolley opened the public hearing at 7:29 p.m. With no comments or questions from the Board or the public, President Brolley closed the public hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 16, 2016.**
- B. Minutes of the Village Board Meeting of February 22, 2016.**
- C. Executive Session Minutes from February 22, 2016.**
- D. Building Report for February 2016.**
- E. Accounts Receivable Report for February 2016.**
- F. Accounts Payable through March 9, 2016 in the Amount of \$610,865.30.**
- G. Ordinance 1715 Amending the Village Code Section 20-32 (a) Regarding Tapping Fees (Second Reading).**

Trustee Marecek **moved to approve items A-G on the Consent Agenda.** Trustee Bond seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee, Trustee Heinz, Trustee Jungermann voting yea.

Items for Separate Action

A. Recommendation of the Plan Commission on PC 2016-011 SU Special Use for Outdoor Storage Located at 2001 Greenfield Avenue – Lakin General Corporation.

Director Young gave an overview of this item and also stated that Plan Commission and staff recommend approval. Trustee Marecek asked about the demonstration item that was brought in to review. Director Young gave details on the demonstration item. Trustee Jungermann asked how long the tires would sit until they are used. Ken Lakin stated that the tires can be stored up to thirty days. It is seasonal and the mosquito abatement is Clark Mosquito and they use a time release precut that is every thirty days. He also stated that they barrel stack the tires and they use a first in and first out system and rotate the tires. Trustee Lee asked about the logistics. Mr. Lakin stated that the special unit for storage is for the part of the die cut process and the other side of the building is the tire processing center. Trustee Lee stated that he has seen the old center and stated he was impressed by the organization and arrangement, and asked for a recommendation to ensure the sprinklers are up to code. He also asked that the set back on the tires be in the proposal.

Trustee Marecek asked about the process where they will be doing the bulk of their work. Mr. Lakin stated that it is shredding and they will not break it down that far in to mulch and will not start off that way.

President Brolley asked about the Chicago location. Mr. Lakin stated that that site has been sold.

Trustee Sperling moved to **accept the Recommendation of the Plan Commission on PC 2016-011 SU Special Use for Outdoor Storage Located at 2001 Greenfield Avenue – Lakin General Corporation with the addition items stated by Trustee Lee.** Trustee Jungermann seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee, Trustee Heinz, Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond voting yea.

B. Ordinance 1716 Granting a Special Use for Outdoor Storage for 2001 Greenfield Avenue (Lakin General Corporation) (First Reading).

This is a first reading, therefore no action was taken.

C. Recommendation of the Plan Commission on PC 2016-010 SU Special Use for an Outdoor Café Located at 1420 SE River Road – Riverview Restaurant.

Director Young gave an overview of this item. He stated that staff and the Plan Commission recommended approval.

President Brolley stated that he has spoken to the owner regarding this item and is excited about this opening. Trustee Marecek stated that he is excited as well for the patio to open.

Trustee Heinz moved to **approve the Recommendation of the Plan Commission on PC 2016-010 SU Special Use for an Outdoor Café Located at 1420 SE River Road – Riverview Restaurant.** Trustee Sperling seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Heinz, Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee voting yea.

D. Ordinance 1717 Granting a Special Use for an Outdoor Café for 1420 SE River Road (Riverview Restaurant) (First Reading).

This is a first reading, therefore no action was taken.

E. Recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals on 2016-008 V Sign Variance for Corporate Identification Solutions.

Director Young gave an overview of this item and the reasoning for request for the variance. He reviewed there is a nonconforming pole sign currently at the location. He stated they can modify the nonconforming sign by changing out panels. He reviewed the changes they have requested to be made. Staff and the Zoning Board of Appeals recommends denying the request for the sign variance.

Trustee Bond asked if there was discussion regarding if the digital part were to be removed from the request. Director Young stated that the height is the nonconforming portion. Staff felt the change out was structural and the addition of advertisement brought it out of conformance. Staff thought they could see if there is a way to modify the request to stay in conformance. Trustee Lee asked if they were grandfathered in and the largest difference is the digit aspect. Director Young stated that

was the true. Director Young stated that if there was a way to remove the advertisement portion they believe they can come to resolution in a fashion that may not require a variance.

Trustee Marecek asked if the light was LED. Director Young stated the advertisement is not LED; however, the LED is the price itself.

President Brolley stated that moving forward it would be great to continue to bring businesses into the standard of having signs more into compliance each time they are updated.

President Brolley reiterated the motion is to deny the request for the variance.

Trustee Marecek moved to **approve the Recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals on 2016-008 V Sign Variance for Corporate Identification Solutions.** Trustee Sperling seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee, Trustee Heinz, Trustee Jungermann voting yea.

F. Ordinance 1718 Granting a Sign Variance for 596 Montgomery Road (Corporate Identification Solutions/ Circle K) (First Reading).

This is the first reading; therefore no action was taken on this item.

G. Ordinance 1714 Adopting the Annual Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets for Fiscal Year 2017 (First Reading).

This is the first reading; therefore no action was taken on this item.

H. Award of a Contract to Twin Oaks Landscaping for 2016 Landscape Maintenance Services.

Trustee Jungermann stated that he is abstaining from the conversation and exited the Board room.

Director Hoppenstedt gave an overview of this item as well as detailed the various offers. Director Hoppenstedt stated that Twin Oaks Landscaping is the recommended company. It is a one year contract and based on satisfaction, they can then extend it to two consecutive one year contracts. Director Hoppenstedt also recommended that Public Works takes on in-house mowing of the Rt. 30 median and right-of-ways from the bridge out to Douglas. He also recommended on Rt. 31 the four islands south of Aucutt to take on for in-house mowing.

Trustee Marecek stated that there have been issues with the previous landscaping company and likes that it is a one year contract.

President Brolley asked if all three companies had access to all the same information. Director Hoppenstedt stated that was true. There were several companies that looked at bidding; however, only three did end up bidding. He is hoping to put this out more in the fall timeframe.

Trustee Marecek stated that he agrees with bidding in the fall. Director Hoppenstedt stated that he has not personally worked with Twin Oaks but has spoken to the maintenance director and is impressed with the discussions.

Trustee Heinz moved to **approve the Award of a Contract to Twin Oaks Landscaping for 2016 Landscape Maintenance Services.** Trustee Marecek seconded this motion.

5 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Heinz, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee voting yea. Trustee Jungermann abstained from vote.

I. Contract Extension for Synagro Central LLC for Lime Sludge Dredging and Hauling.

Trustee Jungermann rejoined the meeting. Director Hoppenstedt gave an overview of this item.

Trustee Jungermann moved to **approve the Contract Extension for Synagro Central LLC for Lime Sludge Dredging and Hauling.** Trustee Marecek seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee, Trustee Heinz voting yea.

Items for Discussion

A. Fiscal Year 2017 Water and Water Improvement Funds Budget.

Director VanVooren discussed two changes from prior discussions. He stated there has been an increase in general fund expenditure for additional trees in 2017, 2018, and 2019. There is a decrease in infrastructure fund expenditures due to favorable bids on Briarcliff Road that were accepted by the state.

Director VanVooren gave a detailed overview of the Water Fund and the Water Improvement Fund. For the Water Fund this year they are looking at an increase in the water base from \$4 to \$6 and an increase in the sewer base from \$2.50 to \$4 and planned to put an ordinance on the March 28th meeting for approval. He then detailed the expenses.

President Brolley asked about the current range of water bills. Director VanVooren stated that the lowest it can go is \$10 every two months. He then detailed the reasoning behind the increase in rates. President Brolley asked if the sewer has its own fund. Administrator Zeophel stated that it has its own line in the water fund. President Brolley clarified that they are increasing the sewer rate to cover the expenses for the improvements on the lift station. President Brolley asked if there were any other lift stations. Engineer Wallers reviewed that they have two other lift stations. Trustee Lee asked how long the IPA loan is for. Director VanVooren stated it is for twenty years. President Brolley detailed that it is low interest.

President Brolley asked if this increase includes Boulder Hill. Director VanVooren stated that for the water base there is a 20% additional charge for Boulder Hill; however, they do not charge Boulder Hill for the sewer because that goes to Fox Metro.

President Brolley stated this is a justifiable increase as well as a respectable discussion to have.

Trustee Sperling thanked Justin for his time and patience in regards to going through the budget with her. Trustee Bond also stated that they have all met with Director VanVooren and in one way or another challenged the increase. Trustee Bond asked if vehicle transfer is for the replacement fund. Director VanVooren stated that the vehicle transfer is for the vehicle reserve fund.

B. Urban Forestry Update.

Director Hoppenstedt gave a presentation regarding urban forestry in Montgomery. He went into detail in regards to the tree replacement, tree removal, stump grinding and restoration, large tree pruning, and insurance reimbursement. He then gave an overview of the parkway trees that have been removed vs. those that have been replaced over the years and the projections for the next three years. He also detailed the causes for the possible increase in tree prices. He stated he foresees the prices for the trees going up as well as a tree shortage.

Trustee Jungermann thanked Director Hoppenstedt for his work on this program. He also asked how many trees have been lost because of Emerald Ash Borer. Director Hoppenstedt stated that they have lost about 2,100 including what still needs to be removed. Trustee Lee reiterated the numbers that have been lost vs. the number that would be replaced. Director Hoppenstedt reviewed the various reasons why there will be less replaced than the number that have been removed.

Trustee Marecek asked if they will be pushing hard to promote the tree replacement program in which residents can share in the cost of purchasing trees. Director Hoppenstedt stated that they would continue with that program.

New or Unfinished Business

There was no new or unfinished business tonight.

Future Meetings

- A. Beautification Meeting – Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.**
- B. Historic Preservation Commission Meeting – Monday, March 21, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.**
- C. Intergovernmental Committee – Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. (Cancelled)**
- D. Committee of the Whole Meeting – Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. (Cancelled)**
- C. Intergovernmental Committee – Tuesday, March 28, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.**
- E. Village Board Meeting – Monday, March 28, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.**

Executive Session – 8:14 – 8:22 p.m.

- A. To Discuss the Employment of an Employee Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1).**
- B. To Discuss the Acquisition of Real Property Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).**

Trustee Jungermann moved to **adjourn to Executive Session to Discuss the Employment of an Employee Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) and to Discuss the Acquisition of Real Property Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).** Trustee Bond seconded the motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee, Trustee Heinz voting yea.

Adjournment: 8:22 p.m.

Seeking no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Trustee Heinz and seconded by Trustee Jungermann to **adjourn the meeting.**

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Heinz, Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Bond, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee voting yea.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Francis
Village Clerk