



**MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF LONG GROVE
Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 7:01 P.M.
3110 OLD MCHENRY ROAD, LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS 60047-9613
THE VILLAGE HALL WAS NOT ACCESSIBLE FOR THIS MEETING.
ACCESS WAS AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM**

CALL TO ORDER:

At 7:01 P.M., Village President Jacob called the January 26, 2021 Village Board Meeting to Order.

Village President Jacob started the meeting by reading the following statement:

“Due to the Governor’s statewide disaster declaration relating to the COVID-19 pandemic and current public health guidelines for social distancing, I have determined that it is not prudent for the members of the Village Board or staff to convene in-person for tonight’s meeting. Therefore, the members of the Village Board are attending this meeting by video conference. Those same conditions require barring access to the public for in-person attendance. In light of those limitations, the public is invited to attend and listen to the meeting through Zoom platform or by phone as indicated on the meeting agenda. To comply with the Open Meetings, Act requirements for virtual meetings, tonight’s meeting is being recorded.”

Village Clerk Gayton confirmed all trustees could hear and be heard by taking attendance.

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Village President:	Jacob
Trustees Present:	Borawski, Kritzmire, Michaud, Nora, O’Connor, O’Reilly
Trustees Absent:	None
Village Manager:	Lothspeich
Village Clerk:	Gayton
Village Attorney:	Filippini
Village Planner:	Hogue
Village Engineer:	Perry

VISITOR’S BUSINESS

Call To Order: Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance

Item #1: Homeowner Association: Oakwood Creek, Edgewood Pond, and Rosos Parkway.

Discussion: Neil Grant was in attendance from Oakwood Creek. He emailed his questions and concerns

to village staff earlier in the day. He inquired about welcome signs on each end of Rt. 83 and about beautification of the medians on Rt. 83. Village Planner Hogue thought that plantings within the medians on Rt. 83 would be an IDOT project and was unaware of any plans to put up welcome signs. Members of the HOA are concerned over what agricultural experiments might be being conducted at the farm on Oakwood. Interim Village Manager Balling suggested a FOIA request to the Department of Agriculture.

Item #2: Sheriff Report and Report of the Long Grove Fire Protection District.

Discussion: Sgt. Amber was in attendance. Trustee Kritzmire downloaded the LCS app and inquired how to receive notices that are specific to Long Grove. Staff will need to circle back with them, as Sgt. Amber did not have the answer.

Item #3: Report of the Village Engineer.

Discussion: Village Engineer Perry updated the board on the various projects in the village. *North Krueger is on schedule for an early March letting, and the extra funding was approved. *The third installment of the Rebuild Illinois money was received. *The funding for Stemple Lot was approved. *The board discussed the procedure in place for when an alarm goes off at the water treatment plant. The possibility of using the fire department as a back-up responder was discussed. *The status of the Rt. 53 drain tile issue was given, and Village Engineer Perry will update all surrounding residents.

Item #4: Report from the Long Grove Park District on the 2020 Teasel abatement program and request a \$10,000 grant for the 2021 program.

Discussion: The herbicide that is used to eradicate teasel is called Transline. Teasel is most often found along roadways, open spaces, and meadows, with a targeted application. A greater concern is what hundreds of residents are applying to their lawns, multiple times a year. Jan Healy will write an article about phragmites, which is a growing problem.

Trustee Kritzmire moved to approve a Request of a \$10,000 Grant for the 2021 Teasel Abatement Program; seconded by Trustee O'Connor.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**Trustee Borawski – aye; Trustee Kritzmire – aye; Trustee Michaud – aye; Trustee Nora – aye; Trustee O'Connor - aye; Trustee O'Reilly- aye.
(Motion carried 6 – 0).**

Item #5: Presentation from Vicarious Productions on social media issues and opportunities.

Discussion: Melanie Santostefano from Vicarious Productions gave a presentation on social media, including Nextdoor, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube. She explained how Next Door is unique in that the only subscribers that live or own businesses in a certain area have access to information. 145K neighborhoods have signed up. She explained the services her company could provide. The trustees weighed in on their thoughts. She will respond with a proposal.

Item #6: Consideration of a Special Event application (sleigh rides) from the Historic Downtown Long Grove Business Association.

Discussion: No discussion.

Trustee O'Reilly moved to approve a Special Event Application (Sleigh Rides) from the Historic Downtown Long Grove Business Association; seconded by Trustee Michaud.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Trustee Borawski – aye; Trustee Kritzmire – aye; Trustee Michaud – aye; Trustee Nora – aye; Trustee O’Connor - aye; Trustee O’Reilly- aye.
(Motion carried 6 – 0).

Item #7: Review of a demolition permit and request to waive the waiting period for review, notify and request the Historical society for their review for a building located at 3217 RFD Long Grove (Grove Country Club former worker quarters).

Discussion: This is for an old worker’s quarters off Rt. 53. The board discussed the possibility of waiting until their landscaping plan was in hand, before waiving the waiting period. The board will hold off on this.

Item #8: Presentation of Treasurers Report for December 2020.

Discussion: The board received this late in the day.

Item #9: Village President and Trustee Reports: Report of the EDC, Jenny Michaud; Building Department Report, Trustee Nora; Update on Sheriff’s contract renewal discussions, Trustee Borowski.

Discussion: *Village President Jacob said 16 people have applied for the Village Manager position. *Trustee Michaud summarized this morning’s EDC meeting. She will talk with Lee Brown from Teska regarding the possibility of marketing the TIF. The tour of the Reserve will take place on February 9th, after being postponed because of the snowstorm. *Trustee Nora went over the building report. *Trustee Borawski will be working on the sheriff’s contract.

Item #10: Approval of Meeting minutes- December 8, 2020.

Discussion: No amendments.

Trustee O’Reilly moved to **approve the Meeting Minutes from December 8, 2020;** seconded by Trustee Nora.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Trustee Borawski – aye; Trustee Kritzmire – abstain; Trustee Michaud – aye; Trustee Nora – aye; Trustee O’Connor - aye; Trustee O’Reilly- aye.
(Motion carried 5 – 0;1).

Item #11: PUBLIC COMMENT:

Discussion: Laurie Wilhoit announced that she is running for Ela Township Trustee.

Adjournment.

At 9:52 P.M., Trustee Michaud moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Trustee O’Reilly.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Trustee Borawski – aye; Trustee Kritzmire – aye; Trustee Michaud – aye; Trustee Nora – aye; Trustee O’Connor - aye; Trustee O’Reilly- aye.
(Motion carried 6 – 0).