



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF LONG GROVE**

**Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.**

**3110 OLD MCHENRY ROAD, LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS 60047-9613**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

At 6:00 P.M., Village President Jacob called the April 12, 2022, Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees to Order.

**OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Village President:	Jacob
Trustees Present:	Borawski, Kritzmire, Michaud, O'Connor, O'Reilly, Tinucci
Trustees Absent:	None
Village Manager:	Jackson
Village Clerk:	Schmitke
Village Attorney:	Filippini
Village Engineer:	Perry
Assistant Village Manager:	Rosenquist

Village President Jacob asked that Village Engineer Perry provide an overview of the current traffic situation on Checker and Schaeffer Roads

Village Engineer Perry gave an overview of various traffic calming options and locations being considered to address the traffic/speed issues on Checker and Schaeffer Roads.

These options include:

- Traffic Choker
- Speed table
- Speed hump
- Signage
- Increased Patrol
- Temporary Pavement Markings
- Temporary Speed Humps
- Temporary Speed Table

Village Engineer Perry discussed pros and cons for each option and location. His recommendation is a Traffic Choker at Location #2 (Checker Road approximately 1300' east of the intersection of Checker and Schaeffer Roads).

## PUBLIC COMMENT

David Myers (Pheasant Run). Mr. Myers stated that he sees a benefit in the choker and feels if people decide to turn around to avoid the choker traffic they may choose not to use the road as a cut through. He prefers the choker with a stop sign on Checker Rd. He also questioned whether there is the possibility of 2 left turn lanes being added from Lake Cook Road on to Arlington Heights Road

Steve Holland (Checker Road). Mr. Holland asked if there was any possibility of prohibiting turns from Arlington Heights Rd onto Checker. Village Manager Jackson has had discussions regarding this option. Village Manager Jackson stated that the enforcement mechanism for this option is difficult. Mr. Holland asked for added policing on Checker Road. Trustee O'Reilly stated that increased patrolling would be beneficial in a number of locations in Long Grove.

Terry Crowley (Edgewood Ln). Mr. Crowley indicated that residents in neighboring areas such as Country Club Estates and Country Club Meadows should also be surveyed about how a choker may inconvenience them. He stated that he felt Schaeffer would be the best location for a potential choker.

Charlie Cardella (Antietam Drv). Mr. Cardella stated that he daily travels Checker Rd and does not agree with placing a choker on the road. He recommends looking for a long-term fix. Enforcement should be one of the first things and possibly changing speed limit to 25 mph. A walk/bike path would also address safety issues.

Karen Schulte (Schaeffer Rd). Ms. Schulte stated that she will bring information back to her homeowners association to get more feedback.

Norbert Krupa (Pheasant Run). Mr. Krupa asked what is budgeted for calming options. Village Jackson stated there are two separate lines for budget. One is \$25K and the other \$15K. Mr. Krupa also asked if there is a timeline for getting this done. There currently is not a set timeframe. Mr. Krupa also asked if there would be funding for residents to build up privacy on their properties. This was not considered in the budget. Mr. Krupa stated that those living on Checker Road have to wait in the morning just to pull out onto Checker Road and many of the residents do not feel safe having their children wait at their bus stops because many cars do not stop for the buses. Mr. Krupa stated there is also a concern for wildlife on the roads. He did not feel the proposed choker will help minimize the speed on either side of it. He stated that his preference is to pilot a choker first and use an assortment of options to maximize the efficacy of traffic calming.

Allison Locascio (Schaeffer Rd.) Ms. Locascio stated that the traffic calming not only benefits the residents on Checker and Schaefer but also the whole community who uses that area to ride bikes and take advantage of the forest preserve.

Mark Locascio (Schaeffer Rd). Mr. Locascio feels that people stopping and turning around when they see there is a choker is a positive result. He feels those people will stop using that route as a shortcut. He feels the short delay experienced by drivers is a fair compromise to provide safety for the residents, children and wildlife

Sean Crowley (Manassas Ln). Mr. Crowley asked what is so specific about this intersection as opposed to other areas with speed and stop sign issues. He does not feel that people will necessarily stop at the stop sign at a choker. He feels without an enforcement increase a choker will not be enough. He indicated that Schaeffer and 53 is a dangerous intersection as well.

Terry Crowley indicated that he is open to any of the options presented but feels they should be temporary to make sure it works. He also suggests a survey of what more people in the area prefer as a traffic calming option.

Written public comments were also received via email prior to the meeting. These comments were distributed to the Board and can be found on the village website under the transparency section.

Trustee O'Reilly recommended that people drive by the schools in Long Grove at pick up and drop off times to witness hazardous driving issues at these locations as well.

Village President Jacob thanked everyone for their time. All public comments will be taken into consideration and discussed further at the Village Board meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**At 6:55 PM Trustee O'Reilly moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Trustee Borawski.**

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

**Trustee O'Reilly – aye; Trustee Borawski – aye; Trustee Kritzmire – aye; Trustee Michaud – aye; Trustee O'Connor – aye; Trustee Tinucci**

**(Motion carried 6-0)**