

# MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF LONG GROVE Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. 3110 OLD MCHENRY ROAD, LONG GROVE, ILLINOIS 60047-9613

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

At 7:00 P.M., Village President Jacob called the September 12, 2023 Village Board Meeting to Order.

# **OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Village President: Jacob

Trustees Present: Jameel, Kritzmire, O'Connor (remote), O'Reilly, Tinucci

Trustees Absent: Borawski
Village Manager: Jackson
Village Clerk: Schmitke
Village Attorney: Filippini
Village Engineer: Perry

Village President Jacob indicated that Trustee Jameel would be in attendance at the meeting but would be late.

Trustee O'Reilly moved to allow attendance remotely for Trustee O'Connor; seconed by Trustee Kritzmire

# **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: O'Reilly, Kritzmire, Tinucci, Jacob

Nay:

Absent: Borawski, Jameel

Abstain:

**Motion carried** 

# **Item #1 Pledge of Allegiance**

# Item #2. Recognition of Sheldon Rubin and his years of service to the Village

Sheldon Rubin was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Rubin will be recognized for his years of service to the Village at the next board meeting.

# <u>Item #3. Consideration of Approval of the Appointing of Brett Smith to the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals</u>

Village President Jacob provided background on Brett Smith. Mr. Smith was previously approved by the Board as the secretary of the PCBZA and comes well recommended by the PCZBA.

Trustee O'Reilly moved to approve the Appointing of Brett Smith to the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals; seconded by Trustee Kritzmire

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Ave: O'Reilly, Kritzmire, O'Connor, Tinucci

Nay:

Absent: Borawski, Jameel

Abstain:

### **Motion carried**

Trustee Jameel arrived at the meeting at 7:03PM

# <u>Item #4. Homeowners Associations: George Meschbach (Mardan Woods) and Ed Maher (Brookstone)</u>

Mardan Woods and Brookstone HOAs were invited but did not have a representative in attendance.

# **Item #5. Public Comment**

Benjamin Matthew, 4369 Oakleaf, expressed concerns about the current signs used for zoning. He indicated they are small and flimsy and should be more heavy duty. Village Planner Wegrzyn indicated that bigger signs will be provided.

Bill Brand, 5219 Briarcrest Lane, expressed concerns regarding the proposed new Long Grove Fire Protection District Fire Station at 5159 and 5161 Aptakisic Road. His concerns include the effects on Fire Department service quality, wetlands, and property values for homes near the location. He also expressed concerns regarding traffic congestion at Rte. 83 and Aptakisic. He also indicated that there have been no independent studies indicating this move would benefit the community.

Steve Ernsteen, 5147 Bridlewood, agreed with Mr. Brand's statements. He added that there has been a lack of information regarding the cost and design plan of the new building. He also questioned the accuracy of a traffic study that was provided for the new location.

Scott Green, Briarcrest, indicated that, according to village code, in order to obtain a special use permit the applicant/owner has the burden of establishing that there will not be substantial injury to the surrounding property values and no such study has been done. He also indicated that alternative locations must be presented to be considered by PCZBA.

# <u>Item #6. Public Safety Reports – Lake County Sheriff's Office; Long Grove Fire Protection District; Countryside Fire Protection District</u>

Lt. Kaiser presented the Public Safety Report for the Lake County Sheriff's Office. He stated that speed boards have been placed at Checker Rd and Oakwood and they are collecting data in both locations. He reported that there were noise complaints this past weekend in regard to events at Brothers Field and

communication has been made to the HDLGBA. Lt. Kaiser announced that the Lake County Sheriff is hiring 30 deputies and interested applicants can go online at the county's website. Starting salary is just under \$90,000.

# Item #7-#13: Consent Agenda

# Trustee O'Reilly moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items #7-#13:

- 7. Consideration of Approval of the August 2023 Bill Warrant
- 8. Consideration of Approval of Executive Session Minutes: August 8, 2023, Subject to Non-Substantive Revision
- 9. Consideration of Approval of Executive Session Minutes: August 10, 2023, Subject to Non-Substantive Revision
- 10. Consideration of Approval of Meeting Minutes: August 22, 2023, Subject to Non-Substantive Revision
- 11. Consideration of Approval of Meeting Executive Session Minutes: August 22, 2023, Subject to Non-Substantive Revision
- 12. Consideration of Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Northbrook Bank & Trust CO., N.A. as an Approved Depository for the Village of Long Grove and Authorizing and Ratifying Signatories Therefor
- 13. Consideration of Approval of a Resolution Authorizing BMO Harris Bank N.A. as an Approved Depository for the Village of Long Grove and Authorizing and Ratifying Signatories Therefore

### ; seconded by Trustee Kritzmire

# **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: O'Reilly, Kritzmire, Jameel, O'Connor, Tinucci

Nav:

Absent: Borawski

Abstain:

# **Motion carried**

### Item #14. Village Planner's Report (Presented by Taylor Wegrzyn

Village Planner Wegrzyn reported that there were no meetings of the PCZBA or Architectural Commission. There are no updates or new items of business.

Village Planner Wegrzyn stated that the PCZBA is awaiting receipt of a complete application and additional information from the petitioner for the property at 4359 IL Rte 22 (Sai Shiv Mandir & Spiritual Community Center). Once the complete application is received notice will be sent out according to village code.

# <u>Item #15. Discussion of the Zoning Petition from the Long Grove Fire Protection District – 5159</u> and 5161 Aptakisic Road – for a Special Use Permit to permit a fire station within the R-2 zoning <u>district.</u>

Village President Jacob stated that the Board has 3 alternatives to consider regarding the zoning petition from the Long Grove Fire Protection District: 1) Draft a resolution to deny the application 2) Remand the petition back to the PCZBA 3) Allow additional information to be submitted to the board so the Board can consider the application.

After discussion at the August 22, 2023 Board meeting, the Board had generated a number of questions for the Long Grove Fire Protection District regarding the petition for a special use permit. The additional information/materials that were provided by the Fire Protection District in response to these questions are available in the Board packets and posted on-line. There was consensus among the Board that, with the additional information provided, the petition should be remanded to the PCZBA for review. President Jacob asked for clarification as to whether all of the information required has been submitted. Village Attorney Filippini indicated that the current application does meet the minimal requirements. Helen Wilson, Chair, PCZBA, said that the PCZBA could review the current application but would like more information on traffic data at Aptakisic Rd. and Rte. 83. Fire Chief Segalla indicated that all traffic signals in the village currently have traffic signal preemption devices (installed by the Fire Protection District) which are activated by emitters on the Fire Protection District vehicles. The new station would have a computerized device that would activate the necessary signals to green for the fire department based upon dispatch. He stated that the fire department has to deal with the roads that are there and that they have to deal with traffic and traffic congestion daily.

Chief Segalla asked that the PCZBA notify the fire department in writing of any specific requirements that are needed prior to the next meeting. Chair Wilson indicated that this information is in the village code. Village Planner Wegrzyn, Interim Village Manager Osten, Assist Village Manager McCarthy and Village Attorney Filippini will offer further thought to the Fire Protection District where they may want to supplement additional information in their application. Village President Jacob suggested a rendering/sketch of what the new fire station may look like to demonstrate how the new station will fit into the community.

Trustee O'Reilly moved to remand to the PCZBA the Zoning Petition from the Long Grove Fire Protection District – 5159 and 5161 Aptakisic Road – for a Special Use Permit to permit a fire station within the R-2 zoning district; seconded by Trustee Tinucci

### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: O'Reilly, Tinucci, Jameel, Kritzmire, O'Connor

Nay:

**Absent: Borawski** 

Abstain:

**Motion carried** 

# **Item #16. Village Engineer's Report (Presented by Geoff Perry)**

Village Engineer Perry provided the Village Engineer's Report. He provided the following updates:

• Repair work for the Robert Parker Coffin Bridge is being coordinated Village Board Meeting Minutes

- The 2023 Road Maintenance Program downtown work is being deferred to October due to Apple Fest and Prairie State Half Marathon. Work in Creekside is scheduled to start next week.
- Towner's Subdivision/Osage Road Drainage work has been delayed due to utility conflict resolutions. Village Engineer Perry will continue to work with utility companies to expedite the process.

# <u>Item #17. Discussion and Consideration of Approval of an Ordinance Adopting the Watershed</u> Development Ordinance Amendments

Village Engineer Perry reviewed the ordinance amendments.

Trustee O'Reilly moved to approve an Ordinance Adopting the Watershed Development Ordinance Amendments; seconded by Trustee Tinucci

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: O'Reilly, Tinucci, Jameel, Kritzmire, O'Connor

Nay:

Absent: Borawski

Abstain:

**Motion carried** 

# Item #18. Discussion and Consideration of Traffic Calming Solutions for Checker Road

Village Engineer Perry reviewed the August 22, 2023 memo addressing the Traffic Calming solutions for Checker Road. The recommendation is to lower the speed limit on Checker Road from 30mph to 25mph. The memo also indicated that electronic speed signs are also effective in decreasing speed and there is potential for grant funding to purchase such signs. These signs could also be used in other locations in the Village to address speed issues. He suggested that the Village document information regarding cut through traffic prior to installing any permanent traffic calming solutions. He noted that any permanent traffic calming solutions will affect the potential for Federal road improvement funding for that road.

Village Resident Norbert Krupa indicated that he felt the only measure effective at diverting cut through traffic is speed tables. Other Village residents stated that they are not in favor of a reduced speed limit and that doing this may make the congestion in the area worse.

No Right Turn/No Left Turn signs being posted for high traffic times of day were discussed. This option has been previously discussed. Additional police enforcement/special details in the area (and throughout the Village) were also discussed.

Trustee Kritzmire moved to approve a Traffic Calming Solution for Checker Rd (reduction of the speed limit from 30 mph to 25 mph) as discussed; seconded by Trustee Tinucci

### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: Kritzmire, Tinucci, Jameel, O'Connor

Nay: O'Reilly Absent: Borawski

Abstain:

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### **Motion carried**

Trustee O'Connor moved to approve a Traffic Calming Solution for Checker Road (obtain grants/funding for the purchase of electronic speed signs) as discussed; seconded by Trustee O'Reilly

# **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: O'Connor, O'Reilly, Jameel, Kritzmire, Tinucci

Nay:

Absent: Borawski

Abstain:

### **Motion carried**

Trustee O'Connor moved to approve a Traffic Calming Solution for Checker Road (installation of temporary speed tables for the next 60 days) as discussed; seconded by Trustee Kritzmire

### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: O'Connor, Kritzmire, Jameel, Tinucci

Nay: O'Reilly Absent: Borawski

**Abstain:** 

# **Motion carried**

### Item #19. Discussion and Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Recruitment Services

Village President Jacob stated that Item #19 will be discussed in Executive Session and voted on in open session if necessary.

# **Item #20. Village President and Trustee Reports**

- **President Jacob** *no report*
- Trustee Borawski- no report
- Trustee Jameel- no report
- Trustee Kritzmire- no report
- Trustee O'Connor- no report
- Trustee O'Reilly- no report
- Trustee Tinucci no report

# Item #21. Village Manager's Report (Art Osten)

Interim Village Manager Osten requested that Board members continue to submit revisions for the Village Manager recruiting description.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:13 PM Trustee O'Reilly moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel; seconded by Trustee Kritzmire

### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: O'Reilly, Kritzmire, Jameel, O'Connor, Tinucci

Nay:

Absent: Borawski

Abstain:

**Motion carried** 

At 9:44PM Village President Jacob reconvened the Village Board meeting.

# Item #19. Discussion and Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Recruitment Services

Trustee O'Reilly moved to approve a resolution with Gov HR as the consultant for recruitment services based on the proposal that was submitted; seconded by Trustee O'Connor

# **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: O'Reilly, O'Connor, Jameel, Kritzmire, Tinucci

Nay:

Absent: Borawski

Abstain:

**Motion carried** 

# ADJOURNMENT: Next Regular Village Board Meeting September 26, 2023

At 9:49 PM Trustee Jameel moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Trustee Kritzmire

# **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye: Jameel, Kritzmire, O'Connor, O'Reilly, Tinucci

Nav:

Absent: Borawski

Abstain:

**Motion carried**