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Regular Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

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# **CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Deer Park was held on Monday, June 19th, 2006, at Charles Quentin Elementary, 21250 W. Shirley Road, Palatine, in the Village of Deer Park, Lake and Cook Counties, Illinois.

President Gifford called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. Board members and Guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call the following were present: President Gifford, Trustees Kizior, Plautz, Rotter and Thrun. Trustees Dowell and Ekstrom were absent. Other Village Officials present were Administrator Diesen-Dahl, Clerk Pratscher, Treasurer Stade, Engineer Gordon and Attorney Hargadon.

Others present were: (see attached sign-in sheets).

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

A) Approval and release of minutes from the:

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# B) Village Attorney:

- i) Ordinance 06-09--Prevailing Wage Classifications and Rates
- ii) Ordinance 06-10--Zoning Variation for 13 Ferndale Road
- iii) Transfer of property: Motorola to Continental AG

# C) Village Engineer:

- i) Ordinance 06-11--adopting by reference the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance
- ii) Distribution summary of the Lake County refund from the Lake-Cook Road/Quentin Road Improvements
- iii) Distribution summary of the Plum Grove/Rand Road construction escrow and final State contribution funds
- iv) Applied Ecological Services payment of \$328 for Swansway mitigation monitoring

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**John Lahr of 201 Rue Touraine** stated that the Board's failure to recall the public after the executive session at the May 15 meeting was a violation of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. He questioned whether the Board conducted any votes after closing the executive session, prior to adjournment. Mr. Lahr also called Trustee Kizior's response to Bob Kellermann's public comment at that same meeting "inflammatory."

**Caryn Tausend of 20708 N. Deerpath Road** questioned why the Board did not approve the proposal for a "Right Turn Only" sign southbound on Deerpath Road at Long Grove Road. She stated that every subdivision in the Village in which a trustees lives has a "No Through Traffic" sign at its entrance. She requested the same for Deerpath Road.

**Bob Kellermann of 21601 Old Farm Road** read a letter he had written to President Gifford following the May 15 Board meeting. He claimed his reputation had been defamed by comments made at that meeting and demanded an apology. He said he would have to take legal action if an apology was not forthcoming.

**Richard Chay of 408 Bramble Lane** questioned whether the audio-visual equipment referenced on the agenda would be used to tape future Board meetings. Trustee Kizior said that is the intent. Trustee Rotter added that it is cost-prohibitive to produce live broadcasts of Board meetings, but the Village can give a tape of the meeting to the Village of Barrington, which will then transmit it to Comcast for broadcast.

#### **PUBLIC LANDS ZONING DISTRICT**

Village Planner Kon Savoy of Teska Associates presented a draft of a new zoning district for public lands within the Village. He stated that the Board previously discussed the possibility of such a new zoning classification, particularly in relation to Vehe Farm. The Farm houses public buildings but still falls under the residential zoning classification, which some trustees felt was inappropriate, Mr. Savoy said. He added that Teska conducted a survey of Chicago area municipalities to determine how land being used for public purposes was zoned, and, as a result, drafted the proposed ordinance for a special purpose district. This district would allow the Village to streamline its review of public buildings, establish standards and regulate components and uses of the district, he said.

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Mr. Savoy outlined key features of the proposed ordinance. He said it would:

- distinguish lands dedicated to public use;
- protect existing open space for public recreational use;
- preserve space for municipal functions;
- preserve and maintain existing uses on property and allow modification of those uses over time;
- eliminate ambiguity of developing further public lands.

Mr. Savoy emphasized that all decisions regarding new development within this district would have to go through a site plan review process, requiring the approval of both the Plan Commission and the Village Board.

Three related zoning ordinances, concerning building heights, off-street parking and lot coverage, would require amendments if the new public lands district is adopted, Mr. Savoy said.

Trustee Rotter questioned the 8-foot maximum height for fences in the proposed ordinance, saying he objects to allowing government to do something that residents are not allowed to do. Mr. Savoy replied that the proposed standards would give the Board flexibility when unusual circumstances arise.

President Gifford stated that the next step in the process would be to send the proposed ordinance to the Plan Commission for a public hearing and review.

MOTION: by Trustee Plautz to send proposed idea for a public lands zoning district to the Plan Commission for review. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (3) NO: (1) ABSENT: (2)

Motion carried 3/1/2

## **VILLAGE ENGINEER'S REPORT**

### A) 2006 Road Program

Engineer Gordon stated that bids were opened May 25 for the Village's 2006 road program. The six bids ranged from \$370,435 to \$439,798, all exceeding the engineer's original estimate of \$331,698. Engineer Gordon said asphalt prices have been rising for the past several months and are likely to increase throughout the summer. He recommended that the Board accept the low bid from Chicagoland Paving. He said the company has successfully completed projects for the Village in the past. The bid covers resurfacing of streets within the Squires subdivision, patching of streets throughout the Village and installation of a speed hump on Deerpath Road.

MOTION: by Trustee Rotter to accept the bid by Chicagoland Paving in the amount of \$370,435.50 for the 2006 road program. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0) ABSENT: (2)

Motion carried 4/0/2

#### B) Village participation in a Quentin Road bike path

Engineer Gordon reported that he and President Gifford met with Cook County representatives regarding future road improvements planned for Quentin Road south of Lake-Cook Road and possible bike path configurations that could be installed at the same time. He said one of the options presented by Cook County calls for a path on the east side of Quentin Road, about 500 feet of which would fall within Village boundaries. Engineer Gordon said the Village's portion of this option would be about \$125,000 for the actual construction of the path, including excavation, tree removal and asphalt, but right-of-way acquisition is estimated to be about \$235,000. In addition, he said Cook County is seeking to tie the proposed bike path into the paths within the Triangle by installing pedestrian traffic signals and crosswalks at Quentin Road and Lake-Cook Road. The cost to the Village for that would be about \$185,000. Engineer Gordon said the Village could pursue various grants to finance the project, such as congestion and air-quality mitigation grants.

Engineer Gordon added that one of the options Cook County is considering is installing the bike path through the forest preserve on the west side of Quentin Road, but he said residents of the subdivisions on the east side have petitioned for a path on their side. He said it is possible that Cook County could choose both options.

The consensus of the Board was that a bike path connecting to the Triangle was desirable, but Cook County's cost estimates were extremely high compared to what the Village has spent on bike lanes in the past. Also, trustees wanted to know whether Village residents on Hillcrest Road had signed the petition requesting the path on the east

side or whether it came only from Palatine residents. Several trustees also suggested that Cook County could install the path up to the Village boundary, and the Village could complete the path at its expense when the budget allows. The Board directed Engineer Gordon to continue meeting with Cook County to monitor plans as they develop.

## PROPOSAL FROM ATIRA HOTELS FOR HAMPTON INN AND SUITES

Dan Beider, principal of ATIRA Hotels, a Chicago-based hotel development and management company, presented plans for a Hampton Inn and Suites to be built on the Hamilton Partners' site within the Triangle. He said his company is an approved Hampton developer and operator, a brand which is part of the Hilton Hotels family. Plans call for a four-story 60,000-square-foot building housing 102 guest rooms, an attached one-story building housing an indoor pool and 107 parking spaces. A small meeting room, approximately the size of a corporate board room, is planned for the hotel. A new access road would lead to the hotel from Lake-Cook Road

President Gifford stated that the Village's Planned Development District ordinance specified a hotel for the site in question. Attorney Hargadon added that the ordinance allows for a hotel of up to 80,000 square feet. President Gifford said the company had already contacted the Lake Zurich Rural Fire District to verify specifications for such things as overhangs and turnarounds, so the plans will be in compliance with those codes.

Mr. Beider stated that he would like to break ground in October; construction is expected to take 12 months. He asked the Board to refer the proposal to the Plan Commission for review.

MOTION: by Trustee Rotter to send the ATIRA Hotel project to the Plan Commission. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

# PROPOSAL FOR CRÈME DE LA CRÈME EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Mark Eiden, attorney for Crème de la Crème, presented plans to build an early learning center on Lot 10 of the Triangle, behind the movie theater at Deer Park Town Center. Plans call for a one-story, 21,545-square-foot building that will house 300 children (ages six weeks to 12 years) and 60 staff members. Operating hours would be 6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Mr. Eiden said the center offers a curriculum that includes math, science and languages and a physical facility that includes a library, gym, soccer field, basketball court, tennis court and water play area. Mr. Eiden stated there is no designation of use on Lot 10 within the Village's Planned Development District ordinance, and he requested that it be amended to allow an early learning center as a permitted use on the property. He also requested that the proposal be referred to the Plan Commission for review.

Mr. Eiden stated that the building would occupy the middle-third of the lot, leaving plenty of room for potential expansion. He said the company will fully screen and landscape all outdoor features. Trustee Plautz, however, questioned whether a more-open fence would be in line with other Village fences. Trustee Kizior concurred, asking if the issue could be addressed by the Plan Commission. He said he understood the need for security, but inquired if the fence could be secure without being totally opaque.

Trustees also questioned, given the close proximity of another day care center within the Triangle, whether there is enough clientele to support both centers. Mr. Eiden stated that they are two different products serving different markets. The company views itself as a school as opposed to a day care center, he said.

MOTION: by Trustee Rotter to refer to the Crème de la Crème project to the Plan Commission for review. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

#### **BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

Bill Holmes stated that he had written a memo to the Board regarding the scope of his services, and he was present to answer any questions.

Trustee Rotter stated that he would like Mr. Holmes to submit a monthly report to the Board so trustees will have more information when answering inquiries from residents. He also questioned how Mr. Holmes investigates ordinance violations. Mr. Holmes said he canvasses the entire Village three or four times a year looking for violations; in the

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interim, he investigates complaints that are registered with the Village office. Trustees also questioned what type of paper trail Mr. Holmes generates and requested that a memo or other such document be given to the Village office for each complaint. President Gifford suggested that Mr. Holmes work with Administrator Diesen-Dahl to create a form that can easily be used by both of them.

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Trustees also inquired what the backlog is on code violations. Mr. Holmes stated that summer is a bad time of year for boats and mobile homes being parked in the Village, but he said letters were sent recently to about 15 violators. Trustee Rotter requested that Administrator Diesen-Dahl alert the Board if a violation is not resolved within six months. He also suggested that she submit a report of ongoing violations every other month.

#### **GROOT RECYCLING AND WASTE--REQUEST FOR A FUEL SURCHARGE**

Frank Hillegonds of Groot Recycling and Waste stated that increasing fuel costs have been staggering to the waste hauling industry. He said Groot is requesting an amendment to the company's contract with the Village to allow a fuel surcharge to be added to residents' bills. The charge would be computed on a sliding scale based on the previous quarter's fuel charges, as reported on the U.S. Department of Transportation web site. Mr. Hillegonds said the company's five-year contract was signed in May 2005, at which time a gallon of diesel fuel cost \$2.19; now it is \$2.87. The surcharge would equal 0.4% of the total bill for each 10-cent increase in the price of diesel fuel since the beginning of the contract. For example, if the previous quarter's average price per gallon of diesel fuel in the Midwest was \$2.80-\$2.89, then the surcharge would be 2.80% of the total bill because that is a 70-cent fuel price increase. Mr. Hillegonds added that Groot has written letters to every community it serves seeking the same sort of surcharge. He requested that the surcharge be approved to begin July 1.

Trustee Plautz stated that she is aware that other waste hauling companies, such as Onyx and Waste Management, also are seeking surcharges from the municipalities they serve. She requested that Groot show the surcharge as a separate line item on each bill.

Trustee Kizior reminded the Board that there was a misunderstanding about yard waste charges last year, and Groot honored the lower cost for the season. Trustee Rotter added that it is likely the Village will face fuel surcharges in other areas as well, such as police protection and snowplowing.

Mr. Hillegonds stated that, if the Board approves the surcharge, he would prepare the necessary changes to the Village's waste-hauling contract and send them to Attorney Hargadon.

MOTION: by Trustee Plautz to allow the refuse hauling price to be changed quarterly dependent upon fuel costs of the previous quarter.

President Gifford asked Trustee Plautz to include the requirement that the Village's waste-hauling contract be amended to reflect this surcharge. Trustee Kizior requested that the new contract language include the fuel surcharge chart given to the Board and reference the Department of Transportation web site upon which the surcharge calculation will be based. Trustee Plautz agreed to amend her motion to incorporate those changes. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

# **VEHE FARM FOUNDATION:**

A) Invoice from HPZS for architectural services

Tom Benjamin, secretary of the Vehe Farm Foundation, stated that information regarding the HPZS bill was included in trustees' packets. He noted that a bill had not been submitted by HPZS since last December.

MOTION: by Trustee Kizior to pay the invoice from HPZS for services from Dec. 1, 2005, through May 31, 2006, in the amount of \$1,198.60.

Trustee Kizior withdrew his motion because Trustee Plautz had left the room and a quorum was not present.

B) OSLAD grant application

Mr. Benjamin stated that although the Village's application for a grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources' Open Space and Land Acquisition Development program was denied last year, he had been contacted by a DNR official this year and encouraged to apply again because more money is available. He said the Village can only

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ask for grants for items that are included in their entirety in the Village budget; if a grant is awarded, the Village would be reimbursed for half of the budgeted costs. Mr. Benjamin said the only items in the 2006-2007 budget that would qualify for the grant would be the development of the handicapped-accessible trails and paving of the Barn parking lot. A total of \$30,000 was budgeted for those two projects.

Mr. Benjamin stated that the Vehe Farm Foundation has written the grant and cover letter, but the Board must actually submit the application. He asked the Board to do so.

MOTION: by Trustee Kizior to allow the Vehe Farm Foundation to submit the Village's application for an OSLAD grant. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

MOTION: by Trustee Kizior to pay the invoice from HPZS for services from Dec. 1, 2005, through May 31, 2006, in the amount of \$1,198.60. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

# C) Request for payment to R&W Clark

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to approve the payment #22 to R&W Clark in the amount of \$8,086.35, to be dispersed upon receipt of waiver. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

## D) Request for approval of Phase 2 A/V expenditures:

Trustee Kizior provided a recap of audio/visual and information technology expenditures already approved by the Board for the Barn and presented an overview of Phase 2 expenditures that he was asking the Board to approve. He said he was recommending the installation of a hard-wired local area network with 24 connections at a cost of \$1,355. He said network could be expanded through wireless connectivity in the near future. Trustee Kizior stated that he thinks it would make economical sense to install the connections at this point while the Barn is still in the final stages of construction. Treasurer Stade reported that \$2,500 had been budgeted for the LAN connection.

MOTION: by Trustee Kizior to approve \$1,355 for LAN connectivity within the Barn to make connections between the network patch panel and 24 locations within the Barn. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

Trustee Kizior stated that internet access to the Barn was the next expenditure to be considered. He said there are two options:

- 1) Comcast could make a connection from Cuba Road to the Barn. Trustee Kizior said he has received a commitment from Comcast to waive any installation fees, but the Village would be charged \$160 monthly for the service because it would offer more advanced capabilities than the Village currently has. The Village office currently receives internet service from Comcast at no charge. He said that so far Comcast has not agreed to waive the monthly service fee to the Barn as well, but he expects an answer in a week or two.
- 2) The Village could run a fiber optic cable from the Village office to the Barn. This procedure would cost about \$3,700, but the \$160 monthly service charge would be avoided. Trustee Kizior estimated that the Village would come out ahead with this option within 24 months if Comcast will not waive the monthly service charge in Option 1. Trustee Kizior recommended the Board approve the \$3,700 for Option 2, saying \$1,145 could come from the remaining LAN connectivity budget. If Comcast agrees to waive the monthly service fee, the Village could proceed with Option 1, he said.

MOTION: by Trustee Kizior to accept the proposal to install a fiber optic cable connection between the Village office and the Vehe Farm Barn for \$3,703, knowing the amount is over the appropriated budget by \$2,555 and contingent upon the fact the Village can't get a \$0 monthly cost option and \$0 cost installation from Comcast.

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Trustee Thrun asked what kind of guarantee the Village has that its no-cost cable service will last forever. Trustee Rotter stated that it is in the Village's current contract that the Village office will receive service at no charge. Trustees concurred that a large monthly service charge, which would make Option 2 less attractive, is unlikely to be levied in the near future.

Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

Trustee Kizior stated that the Board previously approved \$38,000 for audio/video capability, adding that the request tonight for additional equipment would allow the Village to videotape Board meetings for later broadcast on Comcast. He said the proposal includes two high-resolution video cameras, a broadcast video mixer, a DVD recorder as well as various cables and connectors. The total cost would be \$11,976, including installation.

Trustee Plautz questioned why the Village needs two cameras. Greg Dieckhaus of Pentegra, the company which submitted the A/V proposal, responded that two cameras would be the minimum needed if the Village wants a professional-looking video. He added that one person can operate both cameras by using a remote control.

Trustee Rotter stated that Lake Zurich, Tower Lakes and North Barrington all successfully use a single-camera system, which he said would eliminate the need for a mixer. He asked for an estimate of how much the Village could save with the one-camera system. Mr. Dieckhaus estimated one camera costs about \$1,200 and the mixer would be about \$1,200-\$1,800. He repeated his opinion that a single camera would not be adequate for a Comcast broadcast. He added that the Barn is also planned as a rental space and some renters might want the second-camera capability.

Trustee Kizior offered to obtain a quote for a single-camera system in addition to obtaining more information about other villages' video systems to present next month.

## **DEER PARK NEIGHBORS**

Deborah Barry stated she had been requested not to discuss the letter from the Neighbors' attorney to the Village. She said she would respect that request except on two points. She repeated one question from the letter, asking President Gifford if he would appoint a Village Ethics Officer, as allowed by Village code. President Gifford replied that he does not have plans to do that at this time. She also asked Trustee Kizior whether each trustee would have a microphone in the new Barn meeting space. He replied affirmatively.

Mrs. Barry stated that a letter was sent to the Village by the law firm Sonnenschein Nath and Rosenthal on behalf of Deer Park Neighbors regarding the Village's e-mail list. She requested that all trustees have an opportunity to read it.

Mrs. Barry also referenced a statement by Red Seal representatives in which they said the company obeyed all Village procedures and ordinances. She noted that the Village code was last updated in 2003 and asked what code book they might have seen. President Gifford replied that Administrator Diesen-Dahl keeps updated ordinances at the Village office. Mrs. Barry asked when these ordinances would be posted on the Village's web site. President Gifford said he did not know. Mrs. Barry asked for a CD with all updated ordinances.

Mrs. Barry asked if Lake County had approved the construction entrance for the Red Seal development. President Gifford replied that he had not received an update on that issue.

Mrs. Barry asked how many bids the Village received in response to its notice to sell 2.33 acres of surplus land. Attorney Hargadon said a single bid was received from Red Seal Development Corp. He said Red Seal's purchase offer was for the greater of either \$160,000 per acre or the Village's actual total cost, including soft costs. He added that, based on the recent appraisal, the Village's cost was actually less than \$160,000 per acre, so the sale price will be \$160,000 per acre.

President Gifford said the decision whether to accept the bid would be made at a future meeting.

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## **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ORDINANCE 06-08**

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to temporarily close the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to open a public hearing regarding Ordinance 06-08, Appropriations Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 in amount of \$3,753,724. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

Treasurer Stade explained that she arrived at the figures in the Appropriations Ordinance by slightly increasing the budgeted amount for various line items. She said this is done to accommodate expenses that run slightly over budget without having to amend the Appropriations Ordinance. Trustee Rotter asked how she determines which accounts to increase. Treasurer Stade replied that she looks at past history and uses her judgment to decide which categories might be under-budgeted.

President Gifford asked for questions or comments from residents at this point.

Mary Lahr questioned the percentage increase between the budget and the ordinance for a variety of categories, including:

- Police services, stating that the 1.5% difference might not cover a fuel surcharge
- Dues and contribution, stating that the 15% difference was high. She said dues should be known from year to year and the Board should start to control contributions it makes to other organizations. Treasurer Stade responded that the category includes Village insurance premiums because they are paid as dues to the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association. She said the insurance figure for the Barn was simply an estimate, and she was compensating for that fact. Trustee Plautz asked Treasurer Stade in the future to move the IMLRMA dues to a separate insurance line item.
- Engineering, asking why the difference was 10% if the Board is trying to control costs paid to contractors.

  President Gifford replied there is a possibility that unbudgeted road projects would be undertaken later in the year, and those projects would require additional engineering.
- Planning, repeating the above comment about the 10% difference.
- Reimbursement expenses, saying that because the line item ties to reimbursable income, the figures should match. Treasurer Stade replied that she could increase the revenue line item as well.
- Road repair, stating that it would be better planning to allow a 15% difference based on the fact that the Village had several emergency road repairs last year.
- Legal expenses, asking whether the 5% difference would cover the litigation mentioned on the agenda.
- Traffic consultant, stating that with new developments, the 5% would be insufficient.
- Village office, asking what contingency the 10% difference could cover. Treasure Stade replied that waterproofing repairs are planned for the Village office, and the difference is a hedge against other unknown repairs.

Mrs. Lahr stated she was disappointed that the numbers given to trustees to prepare their budgets were not accurate or well thought out. Treasurer Stade stated that the Appropriations Ordinance most likely will be amended at some point in the year because of the potential for additional revenue, which would allow the Board to approve items that were deferred during the budget process.

MOTION: by Trustee Kizior to close the public hearing regarding Ordinance 06-08, Appropriations Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2006-2007. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to reopen the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

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MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to approve Ordinance 06-08, Appropriations Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, amending the reimbursable income line item by \$7,295 to a total \$153,195, with the new total of \$2,715,250 for revenues. Upon roll call:

YES: (3) Kizior, Plautz, Thrun

NO: (1) Rotter

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 3/1/2

### **EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT REQUEST**

Resident Ed Toczyski stated that his son Brian is working toward his Eagle Scout award, and he needs to complete a project that will benefit the community. Mr. Toczyski said the project needs to be defined by the Village and his son needs a contact within the Village to work with to make sure all components of the project meet Village specifications.

Trustee Thrun stated that the project he proposed was moving the two stone pillars that currently are on the Praedium property along Rand Road. He said the developer might pay for the moving costs, but timing will be a critical issue because he might want to get them off the property soon.

President Gifford asked if the pillars could be used at the trail head on Vehe Farm. Trustee Thrun said he thinks they should be placed more towards the entrance of the farm so they could be more easily monitored. He added, however, that no one is sure whether the pillars can be moved intact because they are very big and very heavy. Mr. Toczyski said that the details of the physical move from an engineering perspective would have to be part of his son's project.

President Gifford also noted that the Village would need a release from any liability or property damage that arises as part of the project. Mr. Toczyski said the project would be treated as a Boy Scout outing, which would be covered by Boy Scouts of America insurance.

President Gifford asked Trustee Thrun to work with Brian Toczyski and the Vehe Farm Foundation on this project.

At this point, the Board took a 10-minute break.

MOTION: by Trustee Kizior to temporarily close the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

At this point, the Board went into Executive Session.

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to reopen the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Upon voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

#### REPORTS FROM PRESIDENT, TRUSTEES, ADMINISTRATOR:

### A) President Gifford:

i) General information

President Gifford stated that he was calling a special Board meeting at 7 p.m. June 27 at the Village office to consider the sale of 2.33 acres of surplus Village land to Red Seal Development Corp. He said that would be the only item on the agenda.

#### ii) Request for a stop sign

President Gifford stated he had been contacted by residents living along Deerpath Road south of Long Grove who requested a three-way stop sign at Glenhurst Road. He said he had spoken with the KLOA, the Village's traffic consultant, and the company saw no problem with the plan.

\*\*ADDENDUM: At the Sept. 18, 2006, Regular Board of Trustees meeting, President Gifford stated that he misspoke regarding comments made by Mike Werthman of KLOA. He said Mr. Werthman told him the decision regarding the stop sign at Glenhurst Road was up to the Board of Trustees.

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MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to approve three stop signs at Glenhurst Road and Deerpath Road at a cost not to exceed \$400. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0) ABSENT: (2)

Motion carried 4/0/2

#### iii) Tower Lakes President Len Kuskowski

President Gifford announced to trustees that Mr. Kuskowski had recently passed away.

iv) Temporary sign for Dick's

President Gifford stated he would contact Dick's Sporting Goods about its temporary sign, informing the company about the Village's sign ordinances.

v) Habitat for Humanity flyer

President Gifford noted that the organization is seeking contributions of building materials. A flyer was included in trustees' packets.

#### B) Trustee Plautz – Health & Sanitation:

Trustee Plautz stated that the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, of which the Village is a member, has been discussing a bond issue to build a small addition to the hazardous waste building in Gurnee. She noted that because landfills in the county are filling up, more garbage is being shipped out of state resulting in fewer fees for SWALCO. She said the Village's share of a bond issue would equal about \$1 per household. Trustee Plautz stated that the Village may be asked to sign an intergovernmental agreement regarding the bond issue within the next six months.

### C) Trustee Kizior—Parks & Recreation:

Trustee Kizior stated that he was presenting contracts for a number of items that were included in the landscaping budget. He briefly outlined each contract, including:

- ◆ Bode Tree Care proposal to remove dead trees and buckthorn at Charlie Brown Park--\$3,200
- TruGreen spring and fall lawn treatments for Village parks--\$4,727
- Environmental Aquatic pond treatment at Chapel Hill pond, Peterson pond and Squires pond--\$7,500
- ♦ M & S spring and fall park cleanup--\$6,510 for the season
- Maloney Landscaping park lawn mowings--\$20,734 for the season
- Ela Township mosquito control--\$1,500
- Clarke mosquito control--\$17,725

Trustee Kizior noted that two contractors selected were the second-lowest bidder, but he had worked with them in past and liked their work.

MOTION: by Trustee Kizior to approve all of the above contractual expenditures, totaling \$61,896. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

#### D) Administrator Diesen-Dahl:

Administrator Diesen-Dahl stated that Cold Stone Creamery had submitted a request for later operating hours during the summer, until 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and midnight on Friday and Saturday.

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to amend the hours of operation for Cold Stone Creamery through Sept. 30, 2006, to allow one hour later closing time every day of the week, which would be 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and midnight on Friday and Saturday. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

#### TREASURERS' REPORT

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to approve the Investments Held Report dated May 31, 2006, in the amount of \$3,489,478.79. Upon a voice vote:

YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

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# **CASH DISBURSEMENTS**

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to approve cash disbursements for the month May 16-June 19, 2006, in the amount of \$1,697,116.80. Upon roll call:

YES: (3) Kizior, Plautz, Thrun

NO: (1) Rotter

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 3/1/2

# **SALARIES FOR VILLAGE PERSONNEL**

President Gifford noted that salaries were discussed last month in executive session. He proposed the following salary increases for Village staff: 6% for the Village Clerk, 5% for the Administrative Assistant and 4% for the Village Administrator and Village Treasurer.

MOTION: by Trustee Thrun to approve a 6% salary increase for the Village Clerk, a 5% increase for the Administrative Assistant and a 4% increase for the Village Administrator and Village Treasurer, retroactive to May 1, 2006. Upon roll call:

YES: (4) Kizior, Plautz, Rotter, Thrun

NO: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

# <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION: by	Trustee Plautz to	adjourn at	12:26 a.m.	Upon a	voice	vote
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YES: (4) NO: (0)

ABSTAIN: (2) Motion carried 4/0/2

H. Scott Gifford, Village President

Maureen Pratscher, Village Clerk				