

VILLAGE OF LAKE BARRINGTON  
RECORD OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

October 27, 1982

A committee meeting to discuss the future use and/or development of the Wienicke parcel was called to order at 7:35 p.m. in the Village Hall, Kelsey Road and White Pine Drive. In the absence of Trustee O'Connor, the meeting was chaired by Plan Commission Chairman Walter W. Dalitsch who gave a brief history of the parcel in question and then asked those in attendance for suggestions and input as to the future use of the parcel. The following commented:

Peter Ostrowski, 18 Golfview Lane -- Believes the parcel would be good as open land and should be left for enjoyment of the people but not set up as a park. Would suggest raising the buildings and that it be fenced and left vacant.

Cliff Sowka, 19 Golfview Lane -- Agreed with Mr. Ostrowski. Remove the buildings, the driveway, and buy land to the north of the parcel with some of the trust funds.

Peter Stephens, 5 Golfview Lane -- Is in favor of a bird or wildlife refuge that would leave the area open and enhance its value. Could possibly talk people into donating acres to lump into the parcel to create a nature preserve. Has not investigated the foundation route. He is thinking about some form of entity that would make sure the use of the land would not be changed with a change of the Village board.

David Unger, 27051W Barrington Road -- Am for the open land concept.

Mr. Stephens asked if there were acres that were set aside or purchased now for open space in the Village. Dr. Dalitsch spoke about the current practice of developers donating acres to Citizens for Conservation.

Paul Lowy, 27073W Old Barrington Road -- Agreed with previous interpretation that the parcel should be retained for municipal and corporate purposes.

Virginia McCahan, 1 Old Barrington Road -- Would agree that it would be better to leave it natural.

Mary Krotzer, 27029N Old Barrington Road -- Would agree that it would be better to leave it natural and open land. Believes it would not be a great loss if the buildings were raised.

Gaylen N. Larson, 49 Woodland Drive -- Believes that there is a middle point and that the parcel could be utilized for a quiet village use in keeping with the neighborhood.

Lauren DeJesu, 4 Old Barrington Road -- Would like to see the area remain open. Asked how much vandalism has occurred and the answer was none. Would suggest that a nature trail be laid out and the building be utilized for small meetings. Could move the driveway possibly to get away from the curve.

Cathy O'Connor, 145 Vance Court -- Has talked to various residents and they are concerned about losing \$25,000 a year. It could be a cost savings of such an amount not to have to support the current park district building. She has a problem with leaving it open space because of the problems experienced in Barrington Harbor Estates with the open area along the Fox River that is used as a community docking area. A fence, she believes, encourages people to break in. Knows that forest preserves have trouble policing grounds.

Al Paquet, 19 White Pine Drive -- If it is left open space and completely vacant, it might attract people from outside the community.

Jean Krueger, 46 Woodland Drive -- Doesn't believe more traffic would be generated by having a village office at that location. Most of the traffic generated by visits to the current clerk's office travels on Old Barrington Road already. Why can't the area at the back of the property, including the treed area and the open prairie area, be used for bird watching?

Ethel Jacobson, 86 Flint Drive -- Is concerned that representatives are not here from other areas in the Village. Would not like to see the brick building torn down and would definitely not like to see a high fence.

Cal Jacobson, 86 Flint Drive -- Is concerned with the fiduciary responsibilities. If nothing is done with the property, the risk is that the Village could lose it. Also, could incur additional expenses by continuing to maintain the current village hall. Thinks that open space could create a liability on the part of the Village. Questions if raising the building and letting the parcel remain empty and unused would not be violating the terms of the will.

Dr. Dalitsch stated that the Plan Commission's consensus was that they would like to have a court rule on the propriety and legality of selling the parcel and using the proceeds to purchase another parcel of land upon which to one day construct a municipal building.

A motion was made by Peter Stephens that the area remain in open space. After discussion, Mr. Stephens withdrew his first motion and moved that the recommendation of the group present this evening was to urge the Board to explore the legal ramifications of selling the property or of turning it into an open space use. Peter Ostrowski seconded the motion; the voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Dr. Dalitsch thanked all those in attendance for participating and stated that the recommendation would be passed on to the Board of Trustees of the Village at their next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



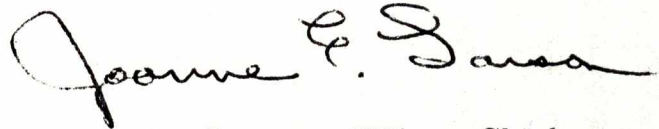
Joanne E. Larson  
Village Clerk



NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING  
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Notice is hereby given that a committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 27, 1982 at 7:30 p. m. in the Lake Barrington Village Hall, Kelsey Road and White Pine Drive, Lake Barrington, Illinois, to discuss the future use and/or development of the Wienicke parcel.

All interested parties are invited to attend and give their comments.



Joanne E. Larson, Village Clerk

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