Board of Trustees Meeting

Sept. 25, 1961 Cuba Township Office

At 8:15 P.M. President Anderson appointed R. E. Svacha Village Clerk pro tem for this meeting to act in place of the Village Clerk Grayce Scharfenberg, who was ill and could not attend.

The President asked the Village Clerk for a roll call:

Present: Messrs. Anderson, Bliss, Forrest, Hutchinson, Krumlinde, Lafferty and Urick

Absent: None

Meeting was called to order at 8:20 P.M.

President Anderson introduced Reverend William Kirk, Barrington Methodist Church, who gave the opening prayer.

The minutes of the August 28 meeting were read. Trustee Urick moved for approval, seconded by Trustee Forrest and passed unanimously.

The President asked for officer's reports:

TREASURER: Mr. Keagy reported receipt of several building permit fees, and a \$400 partial payment from Roads and Bridges tax from Lake County Treasurer's Office, which brought the total balance to \$1,551.79.

Mr. Keagy stated the Village had not received the insurance policy contracted for. The agent has not experienced difficulty in clearing its issuance, but it is apparently being delayed by the company's office procedure. The Village is covered during this period by a binder.

The Village's first financial report was filed with the State. An audited report was not necessary since the Village did not have a population of 500 persons during the period involved.

Mr. Keagy stated he was unable to make payment on the latest vouchers submitted against the Police Department Contribution Fund by members of the Police Department because of the lack of funds. The unpaid vouchers were to reimburse two officers for the cost of sirens and allied mounting hardware which they had installed in their automobiles.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Chief Svacha reported that during the past month eight reports were filed. Three of the reports covered motor vehicle accidents which occurred within the Village limits. A survey of citizens residing in the vicinity of two of the accidents were conducted by Officer Barta. The results of the survey will be worked into a general program of traffic safety now being developed by the Police Department.

One arrest was made in September on a traffic violation.

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BUILDING OFFICER: Mr. Robert Kerr reported two building permits were issued and several more are pending.

The need for a swimming pool ordinance was discussed. It was reported by Mr. A. I. Jablonski, former Building Commissioner, that a recommended swimming pool ordinance had been prepared and submitted to legal counsel for study. The progress of this ordinance will be investigated.

Mr. Kerr reported he is studying the restrictive clauses of C. Leonard's real estate transactions for possible conflict with Village regulations. It appeared that at least in some matters the Leonard regulations are more strict than those of the Village. This whole matter, plus a recommendation for a Village septic system ordinance, will receive further study for presentation to the Plan Commission.

ROAD SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. George E. Davis reported progress by the Road Commission members in rewriting the Village Code with regard to the Department of Public Works. Copies of the codes of other villages have been collected by Commissioner Jaremus, who is preparing the recommendation for Board consideration.

§IGNS: Village identification signs were found to cost \$10.00 each, plus cost of erection. No purchase has been made since the position of each sign would have to be studied, and rights of use and position determined, which will be done.

It was suggested signs identifying the village roads can be economically repaired or replaced. It was also suggested the replacements might possibly be made by some local resident equipped to do simple wood work and painting.

GAS LINE: Closed excavations will be examined to determine any settling effects, washouts, etc. There have been some road surface damage reported, which was probably due to the passage of digging machines rather than effects of settling. Trustees Lafferty and Forrest reviewed the contract with the Gas Company as to repair and replacement of road and gravel surfaces. Mr. Davis was informed that one specific complaint was from Mr. J. A. Dattilo, who felt that the Gas Company left the ground surface near his home in a worsened condition.

DUTCH ELM DISEASE: Mr. Davis reported the Village received a letter from the Lake County Highway Commissioner questioning what steps or programs were in effect in the Village to combat Dutch Elm Disease. He said a recent survey indicated very few, if any, elm trees growing on Village properties or right of ways. Mr. Bliss suggested that it was just the opening move of a long-needed action to correct a very unhealthy condition existing and mentioned a blighted area in McHenry County. Mr. Davis felt a study should be made to determine which trees are Village responsibility and which are not.

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Discussion followed about securing several sets of maps from the County Planning Commission for other departments of the Village, which would be helpful in accurately determining the road lines. It appeared three sets of maps are needed - one each for the Plan Commission, Road Commission and Police Department.

Mr. Davis was directed to reply to the Lake County Highway Commission that no specially designed program was in effect except for active vigilance, and to mention our concern about the Oak Wilt as well as Dutch Elm Disease.

SNOW PLOWING: Mr. Berghorn was contacted and quoted a rate of \$10.00 an hour. The question of determining when to start actual plowing of snow was discussed. It was finally concluded that Mr. Davis should make whatever arrangements are appropriate and necessary with Messrs. Freking and Berghorn for snow plowing, and also to facilitate the spreading of sand by the Township trucks when that is needed.

Mr. Hutchinson questioned the surfacing of Miller Road at the junction of Miller Road and Highway 59, stating that the loose gravel deposited there was a serious hazard to safety. Mr. Davis replied it was a "howler strip" so placed so as to warn motorists they are approaching a stop intersection. The installation appeared to be different than those in Cook County. Mr. Davis will ask Mr. Freking about that difference.

<u>PUBLIC UTILITY PERMIT:</u> Mr. Davis reported the public utility permit requested by Mr. Amundsen had been approved.

PLAN COMMISSION: The President reported for the Plan Commission -

Mr. Charles Cook, owner of some 20 acres adjacent to the Village at Kimberly Road, has requested the Plan Commission's approval of his planned development consisting of 19 sites, averaging about one acre each. Approval of the Village of North Barrington is required before the County of Lake will give its approval.

The Village has acknowledged receipt of notice given by Attorney Wm Braithwaite of a petition from a group of property owners to annex, as reported in "Frontier Enterprise." This is just a notice to the Board and no Village action is necessary at present.

VILLAGE CLERK: The clerk submitted invoices for payment totalling \$138.46. Trustee Forrest motioned that payment be approved, seconded by Trustee Urick and passed unanimously.

The President advised that quotations are being requested for Village stationary. Trustee Lafferty suggested the Village contact a local talentin developing a good design, and the President agreed this would be done.

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PLANNING AND ZONING: President Anderson reported he had been advised that the Trustees Committee on Planning and Zoning had completed its investigation in connection with the recommendation of the Plan Commission to deny the petition of Kenneth V. Schmid to reclassify the zoning designation of property he owns in the Village. He went on to relate that this Trustees Committee, consisting of Trustees Bliss, Forrest, Building Officer Kerr and the president, unanimously concur with the recommendation of the Plan Commission and submitted the Plan Commission recommendation to deny the Schmid petition to the Board of Trustees for its action.

Trustee Hutchinson motioned for approval of the recommendation of the Plan Commission to deny the petition of Kenneth Schmid to reclassify his property to two acres. Seconded by Trustee Lafferty. By roll:

AYES: Trustees Forrest, Hutchinson, Krumlinde, Lafferty and Urick.

Trustee Bliss abstained.

NAYS: None

Mr. Schmid asked the chair for an opportunity to make a statement and stated that he will, by advice of counsel, request a rehearing of his petition on the same basis as the previous hearing, and this will be confirmed in writing by his attorney. He then asked what the zoning was on his tracts and how the area zoned had allowed Mr. Sutton to build on his original site. President Anderson informed Mr. Schmid the Village adopted the zoning that existed in the Township at the time the Village was created and that is five acres. He went on to say the Board supported the issuance of the Sutton permit because the building site was a separately described and deeded piece of property before the creation of the Village and adoption of the Zoning Ordinance; that the board decided not to deprive the owner of the right to build which he had prior to adoption of the ordinance, and which site still met minimum requirements.

At the request of the Board President Anderson instructed the Plan Commission to look into the deed restrictions of Unit #3.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE: Trustee Urick confirmed the information given by the treasurer that the State did not require an audited report, and that a financial report has been filed for the Village. Trustee Urick advised that he has examined the treasurer's records and found them to be in good form and condition.

TAX: President Anderson reported he has notified the Township Assessor he will review with him all real properties for assessment purposes within the next month.

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POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY: - No report.

<u>BOADS:</u> Trustee Krumlinde suggested that part 3-E of the proposed road contract covering Workmens Compensation Insurance be changed, and after discussion Treasurer Keagy **Becommended** the following change, to which Trustee Krumlinde agreed:

"The Cuba Township Highway Commission agrees to carry Workmens Compensation Insurance applicable to all labor performed under this contract and the Village of North Barrington will reimburse said Cuba Township Highway Commission for the actual premium applying to this payroll."

HEALTH & SANITATION: Trustee Lafferty reported that he, with Messrs. Maher, Dunham and Hutchinson, had studied the condition of Grassy Lake. In questioning local residents it was found the present condition of dead and dying fish has occurred periodically before. Mr. Hansen (Rt. 59) recalled times when a heavy fish kill was evident, and other times when lake banks have appeared soft and spongy when low water levels occurred. An analysis will be made of the dead fish condition, and the stream and lake will be studied for pollution - probably one week after the end of the rains.

LAW: No report from the Law Committee. President Anderson reported no appeal had been filed up until 4:00 P.M. today by Mr. Middleton in connection with the court findings on the Middleton-Sutton suit.

<u>PENERAL:</u> President Anderson reported that the Lake County issuance of building permits on property of smaller acreage than zoned in the Valenti properties between this Village and Barrington was being (ehallenged) by a local citizen and States Attorney B. W. Stanczak has advised that the County Building Officer will hold up operations until his office has completed its investigation.

Meeting adjourned: 10:30 P.M.

Roy E. Svacha Village Clerk Pro Tem mended mended