

MINUTES OF TOWER LAKES

PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Date: April 17, 2000

Location: Village Office

Time: 7:05 P.M.

PLEDGE:

President Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustees Aitken, Heagarty, Jansing, and Parro; President Fitzpatrick.

Absent: Trustees Cantieri and Kuskowski.

SIGN-IN:

See Attached Sign-In list.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee Jansing made a motion to approve the March 17th meeting minutes which was seconded by Trustee Heagarty . President Fitzpatrick amended the Village minutes to include finance committee meeting vs finance committee and Northern IL Planning Commission to Northeastern. The minutes as amended was followed by a unanimous voice vote. Trustee Parro made a motion to approve the March 8th Special Meeting minutes which was seconded by Trustee Heagarty and followed by a unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS:

President Fitzpatrick announced and accepted the resignations from Tony Warren and Terri Landa on the Plan Commission. President Fitzpatrick appointed and the Board approved the appointment of Tom Kubala to complete Mr. Warren's term and Barbara Kolasinski to complete Terri Landa's term.

WATER SYSTEM REPORT:

Water System Solvency Plan:

Trustee Jansing presented a solvency plan which would include increasing the Village's base rate from \$17 to \$20 per month and the water usage charge from \$2.10 to \$2.50 per 1000 gallons. President Fitzpatrick stated that the purpose for the increase in rates is twofold: 1) place the Water System operations in the black with no further increases for at least 10 years and 2) create an emergency fund for future operations of the Water System. The proposal is not intended to repay the Village's General Fund for the \$100,000 loan. The payment of the Village loan will be deferred until after 2006 when the Grand National Bank loan for the purchase of the Water System will be repaid. The intent is to repay the Village after 2006. It should only take 3 years to repay the Village and there should be no need for another rate increase. Trustee Jansing recommended that a public hearing be held to further discuss the proposal with the residents. The increase will not address infrastructure improvements. President Fitzpatrick and Trustee Kuskowski amended the enabling legislation for the \$250,000 IL First Grant so that the funds can be used for both the water and storm water systems. Part of the \$250,000 will be used to 1) upgrade well houses 1 and 4 to comply with IEPA regulations and make as good as well 5, 2) abandon well 2, 3) fix the water main installation damage across the dam , and 4) replace the 3 mains causing leaks - Essex, Tomahawk, and Oak Streets. Trustee Heagarty made a motion to approve the recommendation that the base rate be increased from \$17/month to \$20/month and the per 1000 gallon rate increased from \$2.10 to \$2.50 and Trustee Parro seconded which was followed by a unanimous voice vote. President Fitzpatrick stated a Public Hearing will be held as required by ordinance on May 15th at 7:00 P.M. before the Board Meeting.

-  **Additions to SSA:** Trustee Parro made a motion to amend the ordinance establishing the Special Services Area #2 to include the

Covek residence at 25559 Warwick Rd which was seconded by Trustee Jansing. Roll call vote as follows: AYES: Aitken, Heagarty, Jansing, and Parro. NAYES: None. Trustee Parro made a motion to amend the ordinance establishing the Special Services Area #2 to include the Groh Property on Rte 59 which was seconded by Trustee Jansing

- 📌 **Monthly Production Report:** The Monthly Production Report and Year-to-Date Summary are available at the Village Office.

📌 **PLAN COMMISSION:**

President Fitzpatrick announced that Dorothy Hawkes is the recipient of an Illinois Woman of Achievement Award for her outstanding commitment to Tower Lakes, having served as a Village trustee and currently as Chair of the Plan Commission.

ZBA:

The ZBA plans to meet on April 27th regarding zoning variances for the Kubala, Fuller, and Crimmens residences.

BUILDING AND ZONING REPORT:

📌 **Building Permits**

Since Trustee Cantieri was absent there was not an update on building permits opened or closed. President Fitzpatrick stated that the owner of Lot 5 in Barrington Oaks 1, Mr. Manina, contacted the Village regarding various building topics. However, President Fitzpatrick said that no work on the lot can begin until Mr. Manina complies with the requirements cited in an April 23, 1999 letter from the LCSMC, such as approval from the Army Corps of Engineers, etc. President Fitzpatrick stated that because of all the issues that need to be addressed, construction will not begin for awhile.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

President Fitzpatrick reviewed the Treasurer's report and list of April's bills to be paid. Trustee Heagarty made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the April's bills which was seconded by Trustee Parro and followed by a roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees Aitken, Heagarty, Jansing, and Parro. Nays: None.

FINANCE REPORT:

Trustee Parro made a motion to approve the Village's FY 2000-01 budget of \$581,776.87 which was seconded by Trustee Heagarty and followed by a roll call vote: AYES: Aitken, Jansing, Heagarty and Parro. NAYES: None.

Trustee Jansing made a motion to adopt the FY 2000-01 Appropriation Ordinance which was seconded by Trustee Heagarty and followed by a roll call vote. AYES: Aitken, Jansing, Heagarty and Parro. NAYES: None

Passage of the MFT resolution was deferred until the May meeting.

Trustee Jansing made a motion to approve the resolution adopting the Investment Policy which was seconded by Trustee Heagarty and followed by a unanimous voice vote.

POLICE REPORT:

Trustee Aitken reviewed the monthly Police Activity Report which is on file at the Village Office.

Trustee Aitken made a motion to amend Chapter 5 of Section 8 regarding abandoned and inoperable vehicles which was seconded by Trustee Heagarty and followed by a roll call vote: AYES: Aitken, Jansing, Heagarty and Parro. NAYES: None . This amendment tracks with the old parking ordinance. Trustee Aitken made a motion to adopt parking restrictions - banning parking on unimproved surfaces which was seconded by Trustee Heagarty. This amendment also tracks with the old parking ordinance

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REPORT:

President Fitzpatrick stated that the Village was awarded the \$250,000 IL First grant money. The grant will include an estimated: \$70k for storm water projects; 100k for mains; 9k to repair the dam area; 28k to abandon well 2; \$30k to bring wells 1 and 4 in compliance; and \$16k for treatment facility issues.

ROADS REPORT:

President Fitzpatrick announced the upcoming forum on traffic congestion in Lake County - problems and solutions on May 5th at 8:00 a.m. by the Homeowner's Association of Lake County..

Trustee Heagarty reported that Cuba Township is waiting for Tower Lakes to decide when it would like to start paving projects. Road sweeping will begin on April 18th. Crack sealing will commence when the weather warms. President Fitzpatrick requested that Trustee Heagarty evaluate the condition of the Village's road signs, make a list of those to be replaced, and provide the list to Jane for purchasing from our vendor.

HEALTH & SANITATION:

Trustee Aitken made a motion to adopt the Open Burning Ordinance which was seconded by Trustee Jansing and followed by a roll call vote: AYES: Aitken, Jansing, Heagarty and Parro. NAYES: None .

UTILITIES:

Trustee Parro reported that he has the OEM contract for Consumer's which needs to be addressed.

URBAN FORESTRY:

President Fitzpatrick reported that Spring Brush Recycling will commence on May 15th.

OLD BUSINESS:

The new parking ordinance regarding RVs and boats will take effect on October 1, 2000 for current residents only.

President Fitzpatrick reported that last year 169 people had not purchased vehicle stickers by the July 1st, 1999 due date. Currently, there are 12 residents who have not purchased stickers. Non-compliance has been an issue for several years. In order to get residents to comply and lessen the burden of writing reminder letters a new ordinance with fines for non-compliance has been developed. Specifically, for stickers purchased between July 1st and Sept 1st the cost is \$20; between Sept 1st and Oct 1st cost is \$40; and thereafter, there is a \$90 fine. Trustee Heagarty made a motion to adopt the Vehicle Tax Compliance Ordinance which was seconded by Trustee Aitken and followed by a roll call vote: AYES: Aitken, Jansing, Heagarty and Parro. NAYES: None .

President Fitzpatrick reported that LCSMC has approved the Village as a certified community. The Village can now conduct their own

watershed evaluations and will be using Baxter and Woodman as the Village's enforcement officer.

President Fitzpatrick stated that he has hired an appraiser to appraise the Village's property - Outlet E in Fenview Estates which the Fenview Homeowner's Association is interested in purchasing. The law requires the land be sold at 80% of the appraised valuation.

President Fitzpatrick stated that in order for get ex-residents to pay their outstanding water bills, the Village will piggyback on TLIA's paid assessment letter (e.g. before transfer of house titles can occur, the resident must get a paid assessment letter). TLIA will notify Jane when the assessment letter has been mailed and the Village will send a letter regarding payment of the water bill.

President Fitzpatrick stated that a town meeting regarding the Bays Place proposal will be held on April 26 at 7:30 at the Lake Barrington Village Hall. A separate mailing will be sent to all residents regarding the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Fitzpatrick reported that: 1)BACOG annual report is available at the Village Office and BACOG is seeking a new Executive , 2) The Village's Census report is not very good - our funding is dependent on the census numbers, 3) National Volunteer week is May 9th - 15th, 4) BADC is looking for nominations for outstanding persons in the community, and 5) Harper College has a Spanish class called Command Spanish - real Spanish for real people.

Trustee Jansing has agreed to continue as trustee through the May meeting. The Village has one opening on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

At 9:10 P.M., Trustee Haegerty made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Trustee Parro and followed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Madeline M. Chulumovich

Village Clerk