

MINUTES OF TOWER LAKES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Date: December 16, 2002

Location: Village Office

Time: 7:33 pm

1. PLEDGE: Acting President Pro-Tem Aitken called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Sign in sheet circulated.

ROLL CALL: Present: Trustees Adams, Aitken, Gidley, Cantieri, Parro, and Village Clerk Leitner. Also in attendance: Dorothy Pratt, Deputy Village Clerk and newsletter correspondent. Rigali, President Kuskowski arrived at 8:17pm.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Trustee Gidley and seconded by Trustee Parro to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2002 with corrections, and followed by a voice vote.

3. PLAN COMMISSION: No report.

4. ZBA: No report.

5. BUILDING AND ZONING: *Independent Inspections Meeting*- Trustees Cantieri and Gidley and President Kuskowski met with Jeff Stallker, Independent Inspections with a list of points to cover. Tr Cantieri hopes for a written response in time for Village's Jan mtg. Tr Cantieri noted concerns including: new house permits initially charged and paid in full, when Independent has only performed the first of several required reviews. They are not charging for building permits the way our ordinances are written; instead following KABAL ordinances. Do the village ordinances supercede county building codes for fee and permit purposes. Independent thinks it has to follow county codes (to cover itself). Tr Parro proposed paying Independent's invoices in arrears instead of advance. Discussion on contract terms. Tr Gidley sees Independent as the Village's agent. Board agrees with Tr Gidley's position. Village Attorney Bateman will be consulted.

Ordinance violations-na
Permits-report to follow.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT AND FINANCE REPORT: Acting Treas Gidley distributed the monthly expenditures summary, profit and loss statement, YTD budget expenditures. Bank Statement balances to follow. RE: Total expenses- biggest one is insurance. Acting Treas Gidley pledged to get bills to trustees for their review ten days prior to the monthly meeting. Acting Treas Gidley proposes creating ordinance to be passed in January to update the fees.

Monthly Bills: *Motion* to approve the bills was made by Trustee Gidley and seconded

by Trustee Adams, and followed by a Roll Call vote: **VOTE:** AYES: Trustees Parro, Adams, Gidley, Aitken, Cantieri.

Amended Gift Ban Act Ordinance- amended at p.4, item 23: exceptions changed to reflect industry standard. **Motion** to approve the Ordinance was made by Trustee Gidley and seconded by Trustee Adams, and followed by a Roll Call vote: **VOTE:** AYES: Trustees Parro, Adams, Gidley, Aitken, Cantieri.

Dam Snell And Traverine management letter finally received Dec 12. It is a qualified opinion because the Village has not put into place appropriate up-to-date systems. Tr Parro wonders if the Village can't change accounting practices as of April 2003. Tr Gidley would like to meet with DST to discuss strategy to accomplish accounting switch for April 2004. Tr Gidley will review more closely and summarize for trustees.

On SSA- refinancing outstanding bonds- could be done to reduce our cost.

8. POLICE REPORT:

- **Monthly Activities Report**-Tr Aitken presented the 574 monthly activities report, on file at the Village office. The Board discussed charging for false 911 alarms.
- Public comments being moved to end of meeting.

Ill Law Enforcement Alarm System- Ill Chiefs Of Police-- Police Chief Sinacore will complete application for membership. This program runs throughout Lake County. If the Village needs more police assistance, this organization will respond. It includes a central dispatch center.

9. STORM WATER MANAGEMENT: Johnson storm water management map is completed. Pres Kuskowski and Tr Rigali will review with Johnson for minor corrections. Will follow what is available by ordinance.

10. ROADS: Tr Parro reported- vehicle stickers: only one outstanding nonpayer. It was determined that the address was incorrect—will correct and mail notice certified mail. Names were reported in the newsletter.

11. HEALTH AND SANITATION: No report.

12. UTILITIES:

- **Water System** Tr Adams noted the report is in, and the Village's water usage is reportedly back to normal. Break on Edwards along with one or two more. Tr Gidley reported that he saw the West Drive hydrant was being used to fill up water tanks for a construction project. Consumers was selling 6000gal of our water to a construction company. Okay per our contract, evidently. Mike Miller will have to address this. Pres Kuskowski suggests having the village bill the construction company directly, or bill Consumers directly and let them deal with the construction company, or get a credit. Tr Adams will contact Miller to set up a meeting ASAP.

- **COMCAST ATT BROADBAND changed name.**
- ***JULIE Resolution***-Tr Adams reports continued work on this resolution's requirements.

13. URBAN FORESTRY: No report.

14. BACOG REPORT:

- Impact fee meeting Jan 7, 2003. BACOG accepted the model ordinance represented by the attorneys. Copy forthcoming. To be discussed in Jan. BACOG, Village Attorney Bateman and drafting attorney to attend Jan. meeting.
- BACOG-- Tr Parro on GIS committee—next update postponed til may, 2003 to put us in sync with other members. Two meetings scheduled for Jan to review consultant's fees.

15. OLD BUSINESS:

The proposed Vignocchi project modified some. Wauconda board voted to approve agricultural zoning within Wauconda, provided Tower Lakes approves. Pres Kuskowski told them to send a formal request for annexation into Wauconda. Sales tax motivation for Wauconda. No water or sewer being brought in. Vignocchi no longer planning a full-fledged garden center; more a front for their landscaping business. Pres Kuskowski will continue negotiating this –if ever rezoned, rezoned to our specifications. Also, worth talking to the existing residents on Ivanhoe (the James development issue). Run-off a big concern for Tower Lakes. Leicht property is for sale—question: does his special use permit go with it?

16. NEW BUSINESS: Barrington Area Historical Society presentation to BACOG – each village appoints a history coordinator. Pres Kuskowski nominates Tr Parro, seconded by Tr Aitken and followed by a unanimous vote.

Motion made at 9:30 pm for closed executive session of the Board made by Pres Kuskowski, seconded by Tr Adams. Discussion ensued. Motion to adjourn closed executive session made by Pres Kuskowski, seconded by Tr Cantieri and followed by a unanimous voice vote.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 9:50 pm made by Pres Kuskowski and seconded by Tr Adams and followed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Leitner
Village Clerk
01-13-03