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May 18, 2021
Regular Board Meeting
6:08 p.m.

1. Call to Order

President Konen called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

President Konen stated that due to Governor Pritzker's Executive Order due to the COVID-19 pandemic, she has determined that an in-person meeting is not prudent or practical and, therefore, tonight's meeting was being held remotely.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

President Konen asked Trustee Herron to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

The May 18, 2021 Village Board meeting was held via GoToWebinar. Most attendees attended in person in the Board Room at Village Hall. Trustee White, Trustee Walter, Director Anastasia, Public Works Deputy Director Merkel and Village Engineer Michele Piotrowski participated remotely.

Present: 6 President Jennifer Konen, Trustee Sean Herron, Trustee Heidi Lendi,
Trustee Michael Schomas, Trustee Ryan Walter, Trustee James F. White

Absent: 0

Also Present:

Administrator Eichelberger, Attorney Julien, Public Works Director Speciale, Community Development Director Magdziarz, Finance Director Anastasia, Police Chief Rollins, Public Works Deputy Director Merkel, Village Engineer Michele Piotrowski and Senior Management Analyst/Village Clerk Murphy

4. Public Hearing

None

5. Appointments and Presentation

- a. Planning Commission
- b. Board of Police Commissioners
- c. Police Pension Board

President Konen asked that the Board ratify her re-appointment of Larry Jones to the Sugar Grove Planning Commission, term ending May 1, 2026, the re-appointment to the Sugar Grove Board of Police Commissioners of John Gabel, term

ending May 1, 2024, and the re-appointment of Matt Anastasia to the Sugar Grove Police Pension Board, term ending, May 1, 2023.

A motion was made by Trustee Schomas, seconded by Trustee Herron, to approve the re-appointment of Larry Jones to the Sugar Grove Planning Commission, term ending May 1, 2026, the re-appointment to the Sugar Grove Board of Police Commissioners of John Gabel, term ending May 1, 2024, and the re-appointment of Matt Anastasia to the Sugar Grove Police Pension Board, term ending, May 1, 2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: 5 Schomas, Herron, White, Lendi, Walter
Nays: 0 None
Absent: 0 None

d. Declaration of Vacancy and Appointment of Trustee

President Konen declared a vacancy on the Board of Trustees as a result of her election to Village President. President Konen asked that the Board ratify her appointment of Matthew Bonnie to the position of Village Trustee.

A motion was made by Trustee Herron, seconded by Trustee Lendi, to approve the appointment of Matthew Bonnie to the position of Village Trustee. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: 5 Herron, Lendi, Walter, White, Schomas
Nays: 0 None
Absent: 0 None

e. Oaths of Office

Village Clerk Murphy oversaw the administration of the Oath of Office, formally seating Trustee Matthew Bonnie, to fill the two-year term left vacant with the election of Jennifer Konen to Village President.

f. GFOA Certificate of Achievement in Excellence for Financial Reporting

The Board accepted the Certificate of Achievement for FY20 and recognized the efforts of the Finance Department for their work to achieve this distinguished award.

6. Public Comments on Items Scheduled for Action

Pete Zach, via the public comments email address, stated his opinion that the Professional Services Agreement with Schoppe Design Consulting on tonight's agenda circumvented State requirements for professional services contracts.

Attorney Julien responded that the statute does not apply to this contract and the dollar amount is lower than any trigger for an RFQ.

Pete Zach, via the public comments email address, stated that Matt Bonnie served as President Konen's campaign finance chair.

President Konen responded that Mr. Zach's statement was false as she was solely responsible for her campaign finances and only her name appears on her disclosure documents.

Linda Naab, via email, expressed her support of the Trustee appointment process and wished the new Board the best in their endeavors.

7. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Herron, seconded by Trustee Schomas, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: 6 Herron, Schomas, White, Walter, Lendi, Bonnie
Nays: 0 None
Absent: 0 None

- a. Approval: Minutes of the May 4, 2021 Village Board Meeting
- b. Approval: Minutes of the May 11, 2021 Special Village Board Meeting
- c. Approval: Vouchers
- d. Approval: Treasurer's Report
- e. Resolution: Authorizing Employment Agreements
- f. Resolution: Approving a PSA with Schoppe Design Associates

8. General Business

None

9. Discussion Items

a. Ryan Homes Settlers Ridge Architecture

Director Magdziarz gave an update on the status of the Ryan Homes Settlers Ridge Architecture discussion. He reported that the HOA and the developer have reached an agreement on all architectural appearance concerns, Ryan homes will not purchase the seven alley loaded lots and Ryan Homes will include window trim or a covered rear porch to visually breakup the expanse of rear walls that will be visible from Gordon Road. Scott Shelton from Ryan Homes reiterated the agreement with the HOA and agreed to require window trim on the rear elevations on the Gordon Road homes with at least two porches and possibly a ranch home among the six homes. The Board directed staff to prepare documents with the noted changes for approval at the May 25 Village Board meeting.

Trustee White left the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

b. Finance Overview

Director Anastasia presented an in-depth review of the Village financials including, a Summarization of the FY21-22 Budget (Village Fund Balances, Pension Funding, Debt Limits and Obligations), Revenue Enhancements and Funding Opportunities for a Potential Future Village Hall. Board discussion ensued around the concept of a new Village Hall and potential financing.

Ryan Walter left the meeting at approximately 7:10 p.m.

President Konen brought up the concept of outfitting the admin side of Village Hall with additional offices to address current needs that would also meet the future needs of the police department when they take over the building. Staff will look into the option.

10. Reports

a. Staff

Administrator Eichelberger reported that an offer was accepted for the position of Deputy Village Clerk with a June 2nd start date.

President Konen asked about the progress on the Hannaford Farm dirt pile. Director Speciale reported that the dirt is moving quickly with already 50% removed. The next step will be to access the ground conditions once all the dirt is removed and restore the site. She asked if any Trustees would be participating in the MWCOC Golf Outing. Trustees should RSVP to Brent.

Director Magdziarz reported the he is confident that Prairie Pointe will be opening soon. Staff is currently reviewing as-built documentation. A new seasonal code enforcement officer started on Friday, May 14th. He and Chief Building Inspector Chris Hecklinger met with Ryan Homes on protocols for building in Settlers Ridge. Staff has received documentation on the Rosewood event venue. The Village is waiting for contractor's insurance and registration for the Deep Coat project. All permits are ready to go upon receipt.

Chief Rollins reported that the PD continues to foster a great working relationship with the SG Fire Protection District through training exercises. He reported that the PD utilized surrounding resources to help locate a 15 year old SG resident with special needs who had wandered off. A drone and tracking bloodhound were used. He thanked the Kane County Sheriff's Department, the SG Fire Protection District, the Aurora Police Department and the Waubensee Police Department for their assistance. The Elburn Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) Volunteer group is an opportunity for residents to volunteer in emergency situation in the community.

Director Speciale reported that the CMAP Paving Program data collection is complete. The 2021 Road Program is underway; updates are being posted to the website. Rt 47 widening is in Phase II engineering; review is on-going.

b. Trustees

Trustee Lendi thanked Director Anastasia for the Finance presentation.

Trustee Schomas congratulated Matt Bonnie on his appointment to the Board. He gave high praise to those residents who applied for the Trustee position; he is looking forward to getting them involved in the Village.

Trustee Herron reported that President Konen has asked him to chair a Town Center committee. President Konen will be communicating with applicants to join.

Trustee Bonnie thanked President Konen and the Board for the opportunity to serve as Trustee. He is excited to serve the community.

c. President

President Konen reported that she attended the Women's Realtors Mayor's panel, which was a great opportunity to meet surrounding mayors. She continues to hold Tuesday meetings with staff and Thursday internal economic development meetings with staff and Charles from NextSite. She is meeting on Thursday, 5/20 with other local taxing body officials and with Ron Cope on 5/21 with Administrator Eichelberger. She has asked Trustee Walter to join the internal economic development meetings and will work to find spots on committees for all Trustees.

11. Public Comments

None

12. Airport Report

None

13. Closed Session

None

14. Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Schomas, seconded by Trustee Herron, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 9:16 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: 4	Schomas, Herron, Lendi, Bonnie
Nays: 0	None
Absent: 2	White, Walter

ATTEST:

/s/ Alison Murphy

Alison Murphy

Village Clerk