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June 15, 2021
Regular Board Meeting
6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

President Konen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

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

3. Roll Call

The June 15, 2021 Village Board meeting was held in person in the Board Room at Village Hall.

Present: 7 President Jennifer Konen, Trustee Matt Bonnie, Trustee Sean Herron, Trustee Heidi Lendi, Trustee Ryan Walter, Trustee Michael Schomas, Trustee James F. White

Absent: 0

Also Present:

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

4. Public Hearing

None

5. Appointments and Presentation

a. Town Center Committee

President Konen asked the Village Board to ratify her appointment of the following to the Town Center Committee.

- Ron Cope
- Sean Herron, Chair
- Heidi Lendi
- Tony Speciale
- Jon Meagher
- Susan Smith

- Linda Naab
- Dawn Eby
- Renee Dean

A motion was made by Trustee Herron, seconded by Trustee Bonnie, to approve the appointment of Ron Cope, Sean Herron, Heidi Lendi, Tony Speciale, Jon Meagher, Susan Smith, Linda Naab, Dawn Eddy, Renee Dean to the Town Center Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 6 Herron Bonnie, White, Schomas, Walter, Lendi

Nays: 0 None

Absent: 0 None

6. Public Comments on Items Scheduled for Action

None

7. Consent Agenda

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

AYES: 6 Schomas, Walter, Lendi, White, Bonnie, Herron

Nays: 0 None

Absent: 0 None

- Approval: Minutes of the June 1, 2021 Village Board Meeting
- Approval: Minutes of the June 15, 2021 Special Village Board Meeting
- Approval: Vouchers
- Resolution: Review of Closed Session Minutes & Recording Destruction
- Resolution: Professional Engineering Services Agreement for Dugan Woods Water Main Replacement Improvements

8. General Business

- Ordinance: Granting a Zoning Variation for an Accessory Structure - 1500 Denny

Trustee White recused himself from the discussion.

Director Magdziarz presented the ordinance granting a zoning variation at 1500 Denny Road (Kimme property). He reported that the accessory structure does not exceed more than 70% of the footprint of the principal structure as asked at the June 1, 2021 meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Schomas, seconded by Trustee Herron, to approve an ordinance granting a zoning variation (1500 Denny Road). The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5 Schomas, Herron, Walter, Lendi, Bonnie

Nays: 0 None

Absent: 0 None

9. Discussion Items

a. Water Study Scope

Director Speciale presented a recommendation to authorize a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Engineering Enterprises, Inc. for a Water Works System Master Plan and PFAS Evaluation. Board discussion ensued. The item will be brought back for further discussion at the July 6, 2021 meeting.

b. Village Issue Identification and Prioritization

Administrator Eichelberger presented a list of Village initiatives. He asked the Board to discuss the proposed list and identify additional initiatives that should be added. He indicated that the process is expected to take several meetings. Board discussion ensued on the initiatives as follows:

- Ethics Ordinance – look at other municipalities to clean up the ordinance
- Emergency Powers Ordinance – evaluate to update and clean up ordinance
- Upgrade Current Board Room AV – Trustee Schomas will look for possible inexpensive set ups to improve audio quality on the recording.
- Current VH/Police Department Disposition – Falls under the umbrella of the larger Town Center/Police Space Needs issue. Chief Rollins will provide a tour of the current VOSG Police Department to Board members as well as a tour of a newer neighboring facility. Staff and the Board will also thoroughly review the recent Elburn Police Department Space Needs Study.
- 140/160 Buildings Disposition – falls in with VH/Police Department space needs. President Konen walked through 140 & 160 with a real estate broker. Will report back the findings at a future board meeting.
- Formal Strategic Planning – hold
- Allow Elected Official Liquor License – bring the issue forward at a future meeting as a discussion item.
- Updating Priority Capital Projects List – review semi-annually
- Increase Police Pension Funding – a goal to increase the percentage of contributions by the Village 100% will result in an additional approximately \$200,000 annually. To pursue as revenue allows.
- Development Economic Incentive Policy – staff to put together a draft a policy. Will pursue in phases.
- Implement Police Body Cams – DOJ introduced a body cam grant program that staff will apply for.
- Evaluate Sanitary Sewer System – money is included in the current budget for a review. Will be coming forward for consideration at a future board meeting.
- Evaluate Water System – currently under consideration
- Assess Snow and Ice Control Expectations – low priority

- Enhance Sidewalk Improvement Program – on increased excess revenue goal list. Look to tie additional monies into the Safe Sidewalks to School project.

Trustee Herron introduced Township Trustee John Bobby who was in attendance in the board room. He is the new Township liaison for the Board and will be attending Village Board meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. He is looking forward to build a relationship with the Village.

- Consider Recreational Cannabis Dispensaries – will remain on list to consider again in the future.
- Consider Video Gaming Café's – will come to the board as a discussion item.
- Implement Business Appearance Grant/Loan Program – will come to the board as a discussion item.
- Development of Veterans Park – lower priority issue that will be considered as part of a green space initiative
- Facilitate New Town Center – highest priority to drive economic development
- Update the Comprehensive Plan – currently in the consultant selection process. On track to meet with the consultant after July 4th.
- Elburn Boundary Agreement – Elburn has indicated that they would like to pursue a boundary line of I-88 as that is their FPA line and sewer service area. VOSG replied that they should consider Green Road.
- Big Rock Boundary Agreement – the proposed line was tentatively supported by Big Rock. Will be brought forward for consideration at a future meeting.

President Konen stated that she has seen two near miss accidents at 30 and Municipal Drive and wants to prioritize a walk signal at the intersection. TIF funds could be used for construction. Will come back for discussion for the Board.

10. Reports

a. Staff

Director Speciale reported that the Village received two ITEP grants, one for Safe Routes to School and one for the Pedestrian Bridge over Blackberry Creek. He also stated there was a delay in the paving of Capitol and Park.

Director Anastasia reported that he has started interviews for the open Utility Billing Clerk position in Finance. Interviews for the Accounting Manager position will start in a week or two.

Director Magdziarz reported that the new Deep Coat building is moving quickly with the walls almost completely up. The rest of the construction will move quickly. He provided an update on Prairie Pointe – all building code issues have been satisfied. There is an issue with the elevators that needs to be resolved with the State Fire Marshall. Other agency approvals are required and are awaiting final inspections.

Chief Rollins reported that Police Department personnel worked security for the Palmer Cup this past week at Rich Harvest Farms. The PD conducted a search in Prairie Glen for a child who had walked away from home. Rollins worked with Public Works staff to reroute an oversized truck through town.

Administrator Eichelberger introduced new Deputy Village Clerk Rachel Wortham.

b. Trustees

Trustee Schomas reported that the first concert of Groovin' in the Grove will be held on Thursday, June 17th.

Trustee Herron reported that the Town Center Committee met last Thursday will be looking at examples from other towns. The next meeting will be held June 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall.

Trustee Bonnie reported that he had a good conversation with Sheriff Hain at Kane County. He also spoke with a Yorkville restaurant owner/developer looking to bring business to the Village.

Trustee Lendi reported that she attended the Town Center meeting on the 10th and that she will be attending the Library Board meeting on June 23rd.

Trustee Walter reported that the EDC meeting scheduled for June 16th has been postponed. He reached out to Chris Freeman on the Corn Boil committee to discuss future of the event. They will meet this Friday.

c. President

President Konen reported that she was encouraged by the June 10th Town Center Committee. She is excited to move forward. She stated that she attend the Palmer Cup at Rich Harvest Farm on June 13th. Konen also stated that Renee Dean has stepped forward to coordinate Food Truck Friday at Village Hall.

11. Public Comments

None

12. Airport Report

None

13. Closed Session

A motion was made by Trustee White, seconded by Trustee Herron, to adjourn to Closed Session per the exception to the Open Meetings Act *Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Personnel [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)] and Sale, Lease, and/or Acquisition of Property [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) & (6)]*, taking no action and adjourning therefrom at 9:10 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

14. Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Herron, seconded by Trustee Schomas, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 10:25 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

ATTEST:

/s/ Alison Murphy

Alison Murphy

Village Clerk