

**MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BUDGET MEETING
Tuesday, November 6, 2007**

Present:

Trustee Brandt	Trustee McDonough	Trustee Saltiel
Trustee Servi	Trustee Walder	Trustee Walrath
Mayor Blomberg	Village Clerk Mastandrea	Village Manger Irvin
Dep. Village Clerk Marshall	Director of PW Tripicchio	Dev. Manager McNellis
Chief of Police Melvin	Village Engineer Hughes	Director of Fin. Systems Roelker
Village Treasurer Curtis		

Location: Village Hall, Community Room, One Olde Half Day Road, Lincolnshire, Illinois 60069.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Blomberg called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m. and Deputy Clerk Marshall called the roll.

ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

Finance & Administration

2.11 Workshop concerning the Fiscal Year 2008 Budget (Village of Lincolnshire)

Village Manager Irvin reviewed issues covered at the last Budget meeting.

The Board reviewed the Capital Budget.

Tab 1 Finance

Okay.

Tab 2 Police

_____ Okay.

Tab 3 Community Development

_____ Village Manager Irvin said that staff has been looking at different energy-related issues. Village-wide there are three administration vehicles, two in Community Development and one in Public Works, and there was talk about looking into hybrid vehicles. We take squad cars and use them for inspection vehicles. If the Board wants us to look into hybrid vehicles, we would have to switch from using retired squad cars. He advised that the State does have a bid program on hybrids at about \$23,000 each.

Tab 4 Insurance/Common Expenses

Okay.

Tab 5 Public Works-Streets

_____ Director of Public Works Tripicchio said the street sweeper replacement is very costly but the existing one needs to be replaced. He said the existing street sweeper can be used to multi-task.

Village Manager Irvin advised the Board that it may be hearing from a resident who wants to expand the leaf collection effort to weekly, rather than every other week.

Tab 6 Public Works-Parks and Grounds

Village Manager Irvin said that staff put \$250,000 in the budget for Corridor Enhancements. It is an unknown now. Trustee Saltiel felt it was too low. He thinks it should be \$300,000. However, if the mind set is that next year is a planning year with little planting, then the \$250,000 is fine. Village Manager Irvin felt that until the Framework Plan is developed it is hard to determine what to budget. Director of Public Works Tripicchio said if the Village knows what the Framework Plan looks like at the end of the first quarter, then there has to be time for the design/development. We may need to go through a permitting process with IDOT which will take two to three months. That brings us to August. It was determined if more money is needed as time goes by it can be shifted from Reserves to the General Fund. The Board concurred.

Trustee Brandt questioned why the Board wasn't going to ask Spring Lake Sports League to pay for the bleachers if it wanted them. Village Manager Irvin said this was

discussed at the Joint Park Board/Village Board Meeting, and that Spring Lake Sports League said it does not want any. Trustee Saltiel did not care if Spring Lake Sports League wants them or not. It is something the Village should try and see how it works out.

The decorative street light at Spring Lake Park was discussed.

Tab 7 Public Works-Building

Village Manager Irvin said the Board approved staff moving ahead with the Village Hall parking lot improvements. Trustee Saltiel is concerned that it will not look right and Mayor Blomberg agreed. There was concern about how it would look visually. Mayor Blomberg did not feel it would solve the problem. Trustee Brandt felt that the parking could be resolved if we could work on moving the class that takes place at the Village Hall to another location. The Board decided not to go through with this parking lot improvement. There was discussion about who could park in the existing parking lot. Chief of Police Melvin said that maybe when the squad cars are out, we can put some of the personal cars in the garage stalls. It was determined that the back lot should be blacktopped and all of the Village staff vehicles should be parked in that remote lot. Director of Public Works Tripicchio recommended using pavers for the path from the remote lot to the Village Hall. The Board concurred.

Tab 8 MFT Fund- (Annual Street Resurfacing project)

Okay.

Tab 9 Water and Sewer Improvement Fund

Village Manager Irvin said that the Dukes Lane Water Main Replacement is badly needed.

Tab 10 TIF Fund

Village Manager Irvin said this includes the landscaping installation for the east side of the Village Green. Regarding the Olde Half Day Road realignment and intersection improvements, they are 99% approved and ready to go. Although the contractor bid the project last summer, he will hold to his bid price through July, 2008. The contractor is sure it will be completed before that date. Staff provided the Board with an update regarding the Sedgebrook traffic signal.

Tab11 Park Development Fund

The Board discussed North Park Improvements. Trustee Brandt does not see the need for bleachers.

Director of Public Works Tripicchio brought up the ball wall. He presented a plan showing what the ball wall would look like along the tennis court. The location was discussed. When soccer is being played, the ball wall would not be able to be used. Trustee Saltiel did not feel the ball wall would be used for tennis. Director of Public Works Tripicchio said he would not recommend putting this in North Park. The Board concurred.

Regarding the Bleachers, Mayor Blomberg felt that the Board should add one set of bleachers and see what happens. The Board concurred. Trustee Saltiel would like more trees in North Park for shade. Trustee Brandt wanted some added to block the noise from the tollway. The batting cage was discussed. Mayor Blomberg said when they toured Banner Day Camp, he saw that the owners were putting a lot of varieties of trees in the open area. Along the east property line, they added a mix of pine trees that would live amongst the shade trees as a way to wall them off from the tollway. He was suggesting continuing that concept and running it on the east length of North Park. Director of Public Works Tripicchio advised that evergreens are not native. However, if the Board wants evergreen trees along the tollway, that is what they will do. Mayor Blomberg said that he feels the Village goes to the extreme with native species, and it should take advantage of other species and inter-mix them with native species. He said that Illinois might be the Prairie State, but most of this area was wooded, and we have prairie preserves just because somebody wants to go native. We are too caring about just native species, and do ourselves a disservice. Village Manager Irvin said that perhaps we can develop a wind screen that will separate the naturalized area from the fields. Trustee Saltiel said we have to be careful as there is a safety issue when you start to do screening. We want to see people in the woods, so we have to reach a happy medium. The Board determined that it would budget some dollars for landscape enhancements for North Park.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Brandt moved and Trustee Saltiel seconded the motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. The roll call vote was as follows: AYES: Trustees Brandt, McDonough, Saltiel, Servi, Walrath. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Trustee Walder. The Mayor declared the motion carried. The Board went into Executive Session at 7:56 p.m. and came out at 8:03 p.m.

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ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Brandt moved and Trustee Saltiel seconded the motion to adjourn. The voice vote was unanimous and the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE

Carol S. Marshall
Deputy Village Clerk

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