

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TOWN MEETING
Monday, May 10, 2010**

Present:

Trustee Brandt	Trustee Feldman
Trustee McDonough	Trustee Saltiel
Trustee Servi	Trustee Walder, Jr.
Mayor Blomberg	Village Clerk Mastandrea
Village Manager Irvin	Dep. Village Clerk Marshall
Director of Public Works Hughes	Director of Community Development McNellis
Chief of Police Melvin	Director of Financial Systems Roelker
Village Attorney Simon	

Location: Village Hall, Public Meeting Room, One Olde Half Day Road, Lincolnshire, Illinois 60069

ROLL CALL

Mayor Blomberg called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and Deputy Village Clerk Marshall called the Roll.

ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

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Comments by residents in attendance:

There were none.

Mailed-in Comments:

- 1. A resident asked that the police officers not use their cell phones while driving. It is a bad example.**

Chief of Police Melvin advised that it is not against the law to use your cell

phones when driving. It is illegal to text while driving. A lot of times we disseminate information to the Officers when they are driving so it does not go out over the air where it can be picked up by scanners and heard by the public.

2. **Mayor Blomberg said a resident sent an e-mail to the Board regarding Old Half Day Road from Milwaukee Avenue to Route 22 where Walgreens and Flatlanders are located.**

He asked if we could get a jurisdictional transfer of the road to the Village of Lincolnshire. This is something that the Village is interested in and has spoken

about to IDOT for several years. IDOT is open to transferring it to Lincolnshire once it finishes its drawing and plans for the improvement of Route 45 and Milwaukee Avenue. The Village has no control over this issue. It has to wait until IDOT gets to that point and then IDOT is open to discuss it. The residents want the Village to take control of the road so we can improve the road surface and clean up that area. IDOT also wants the Village to restrict truck traffic on that road. At this time our hands are tied until we have a jurisdictional transfer.

3. **Mayor Blomberg has an email from a resident inquiring about putting the flower boxes back on the pedestrian bridge that passes over the Des Plaines River.**

Prior to the widening of Route 22, the previous Mayor asked Public Works to put flower boxes on the bridge. It turned out pretty nice but was a maintenance headache. Once Route 22 was widened, the road bridge and the bike path bridge wound up pretty much on top of each other. Trustee Saltiel said this issue was discussed after the widening of Route 22. It was determined that it was a maintenance headache and with the widening of Route 22 it would be difficult to view the boxes. Director of Public Works Hughes advised that Route 22 is much closer to the pedestrian bridge and the boxes would be much less visible.

4. **A resident said she loves the pond at Spring Lake Park but now, over the weekends it is a nightmare.**

Since the renovation, picnic tables are around the beach. On Saturdays and Sundays big groups (30 to 40 people) are at the beach, and she doesn't know if they are residents. It looks horrific. When she has guests at her house, it looks terrible. Drinks and garbage are laying around. We used to have the picnic tables in the back of the park. Now they are right across the street from her house. They should be in the back of the park.

The beach is not open but there are kids, 9-10 years, old swimming there. One of the children told her he lives on Cumberland. She told them the beach was not open yet and they couldn't swim there without an adult. One of the kids called his mom and she told him they can swim there.

Also the movie sign looks ugly! It is not zoned for that area. It's there for 2 to 3 days before the movies and then is there until Monday or Tuesday. There should not be movies in the park - it is not an amusement park.

Move Tables. No drinking on beach. Sign should be removed.

Director of Public Works Hughes said that these issues have been raised by this resident on several occasions. The tables are located back behind the baseball fields. There was at least one instance last year when there was a large gathering of people. If that occurs, we encourage residents to contact the police on the weekend.

Regarding the swimming issue that she referred to, children ten and under are not allowed to swim without being supervised by people over 18. The beach is actually closed from October to Memorial Day. If there is an issue, the police should be contacted.

Regarding the sign advertising the movies being shown at the park, we have been doing this for several years. The sign lets people know that there will be a movie there, and it is quite successful on drawing people to the park.

Director of Public Works Hughes said we believe there is not a significant issue and the park is kept pretty clean. At times there are some issues and we resolve them right away.

Trustee Brandt said she had gotten a call from a couple stating that the restrooms were not open at Spring Lake and she received a response that the police are responsible for opening and closing it now. She said since it is baseball season and more people are in the park, she thinks we have that situation remedied.

Mayor Blomberg said one of the issues was drinking on the beach. His understanding is alcohol is allowed in the parks, but public drunkenness is not. Chief of Police Melvin advised drinking is allowed as long as you are 21 years old. He encouraged residents to call the police if they see something going on in the parks. If we don't get the call, we sometimes don't know about it until the

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next day. Director of Public Works Hughes advised that no food or beverages are allowed on the beach.

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 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE

Carol S. Marshall
Deputy Village Clerk

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