

MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BUDGET MEETING
Monday, August 23, 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 Community Development McNellis	Chief of Police Melvin
Director of Financial Systems Roelker	Director of Public Works Hughes
Village Attorney Simon	Village Treasurer Curtis

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

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Mayor Blomberg called the meeting to order at 8:50 p.m. and Deputy Village Clerk Marshall called the Roll.

ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

Finance & Administration

Consideration and discussion of Goals for Fiscal Year 2011 and Budget Discussion (Village of Lincolnshire)

Village Manager Irvin updated the Board on the status of FY 2010 Goals. There are a couple of "carry-over" goals to the first part of 2011. It also received suggested goals for 2011. He advised that some of these goals could be impacted by staffing decisions that are made.

Also in the Board's packet was Fiscal Year 2011 Summary of General Fund Expenses - Draft Operating and Capital Expenses were shown and are compared to Fiscal Year 2010. He also gave the Board the 2010 "Discretionary Items List" with suggestions on what to remove in 2011, as well as a Proposed Capital Improvements list. These items were briefly discussed.

The Board received a draft Comparison of Operating and Capital Expenses it expected in 2010 and 2011. In 2011 Capital is up because the Village spent little on Capital Improvements in 2009 and 2010. The estimated deficit for Fiscal Year 2011 is \$638,400. He reviewed Tax Revenues.

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Village Manager Irvin said the main goal of trying to get these numbers to the Board early is to show the Board that even with all these cuts, and with a reasonable amount of Capital Improvements' we are still upwards of \$640,000 in the hole. We need to decide how we are going to address that.

There was a discussion regarding the Chamber of Commerce. Board was interested in learning how it did regarding the Taste of Lincolnshire.

Capital projects were discussed. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the Leaf Collection Program and if it should be eliminated. Some members of the Board want to get resident feedback.

Treasurer Curtis said that he feels that the Treasurer's stipend (\$1,800.00) can be cut. In these difficult times he felt it was a good gesture. He does not think it is necessary, and he is happy to give it up. The Board thanked him for his generosity.

Village Manager Irvin said that various recreation expenses will be eliminated when the program functions end this year. The Lifeguard/Beach Program will be shifted to the Parks portion of the budget.

Memorial Day Ceremony was discussed. Village Manager Irvin said that there is one staff person there for two hours along with the cost of cookies and bottled water.

Village Manager Irvin said in Capital items the Village did not replace any vehicles in 2010 so there are a few vehicles to replace, especially in the Police Department.

Director of Public Works Hughes said that Spring Lake Sports League is recommending that some of the backstops need replacing. It is a safety issue. Trustee Brandt suggested asking SLSL if they would be willing to contribute towards them. The score board and dugouts were discussed.

Village Manager Irvin said that at some point chairs in the Village Hall will have to be discussed. They are 17 years old. This issue will have to be addressed in partiality or in total at some point in time.

He said the Village is down nine positions since 2009. He felt that in 2011 it will be necessary to use some of the reserves if an additional revenue source is not found. There were some discussions to consider other revenue such as the Home Rule Sales Tax and a Food and Beverage Tax. A .5% Home Rule Sales Tax would generate probably \$850,000 to \$900,000 and would be the least painful for the residents. If the Board wants to do this, Village Manager Irvin said that this item will have to be on the next agenda as it has to be passed by October 1st to take effect January 1, 2011. Village Manager Irvin was directed to place it on the agenda for the first meeting in September.

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Village Manager Irvin will provide the Board with the municipalities that have a Food and Beverage Tax.

Mayor Blomberg said he would possibly be interested in a 1% Sales Tax, and once the economy turns around, he would take a look at doing away with the Tax Levy Retirement Fund. Trustee Saltiel said he would do it differently. He would have a separate Pension Tax. It is a line item that people understand. It gets us the money we need and has the ability down the road to adjust appropriately if necessary. The other thing is, if money starts pouring in, government has this wonderful knack of spending it. He does not want to send a message to the business community that the Village is going to tax it. The business community will view that as another hit. Trustee Feldman agreed with Trustee Saltiel. Trustee Brandt did not think they can keep borrowing from the General Fund. She felt they have to make a decision before October 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee McDonough moved and Trustee Brandt seconded the motion to adjourn. The voice vote was unanimous, and the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE

Carol S. Marshall
Deputy Village Clerk

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