



November 18 2013
8:00 PM

MINUTES
President and Board of Trustees
Village of Arlington Heights

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. Presentation of the Colors by Cub Scout Pack #468 from Ivy Hill School

III. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

The Village Clerk called the roll with President Hayes and the following Trustees responding: Blackwood, Sidor, Farwell, Glasgow, Scaletta, Tinaglia and LaBedz.

Trustee Rosenberg was absent.

Also present were Village Manager Bill Dixon, Assistant to the Village Manager Diana Mikula, Assistant Village Attorney Robin Ward, Director of Planning and Economic Development Charles Perkins, Public Works Director Scott Shirley, Finance Director Tom Kuehne and Village Clerk Becky Hume.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Committee of the Whole 10/21/2013 Approved

Trustee Thomas Glasgow moved to approve. Trustee Joe Farwell Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

- B. Village Board 11/04/2013 Approved

Trustee Joe Farwell moved to approve. Trustee Mike Sidor Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

V. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A. Warrant Register of 11-15-2013 Approved

Trustee Joe Farwell moved to approve the Warrant Register dated 11/15/2013 in the amount of \$1,532,289.49. Trustee Thomas Glasgow Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

VI. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS



A. Promotion of William Kidd to Fire Commander

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Mr. William F. Kidd.



B. Promotion of David Roberts to Fire Lieutenant

President Hayes administered the Oath of Office to Mr. David Roberts.



C. Recognition of Retiring Board and Commission Members

Retiring Board and Commission Members were recognized.

Jeannie Gain - Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission 17 years, two years as chair.

Ken Kirk - Fire & Police Commission 11 years, 3 years as chair.

George Miller - Housing Commission, 10 years, 1 year as chair.

John Blackwood - Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission, 6 years.

Debbie Smart - Arts Commission, 2 years.

Frank De Rosa (posthumously) - Senior Citizens Commission 14 years.

Robin LaBedz - Housing Commission 4 years, Plan Commission 6 years.

Jim Tinaglia - Design Commission, 12 years, two years as chair.

Petitions and Communications Agenda item XV B was moved to this point in the meeting.

Trustee Farwell introduced the launch of the Katie Project, which highlights the need for working smoke detectors in homes. Katie O'Neill of Palatine died in the 1970's because her home did not have a smoke detector. He asked for residents to adopt a zero tolerance for inoperable smoke detectors. There is a volunteer crew to help change out batteries in smoke detectors for those unable to do it themselves. Call Nancy Kluz at 847-368-5104 if you are interested in being on the list. On the second Saturday of each month volunteers will be ready to check and replace batteries in smoke detectors at no cost to the resident. 100 batteries have been donated so far.

President Hayes thanked Trustee Farwell for bringing this initiative forward.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

VIII. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Bill Gnech 2215 E. Grove said that there are houses in Arlington Heights that are not being kept up. He asked who was in charge of code enforcement. He speculated that they are falling apart either through bankruptcy or abandonment. He said the homes on Haddow Court seem to be in bad shape. He said homes like this become a magnet for crime and they lower property values.

President Hayes said the Village is dependent upon complaints or calls from residents to bring these kinds of properties to the Village's attention. **Mr. Dixon** noted that the homes on Haddow Court are owned by the Orchard Church. The Church was considering building a parking lot where these homes are but has decided against this. He said the Village is watching them, they are vacant right now, and although they may not have the niceties that homeowners provide, they do meet code.

IX. OLD BUSINESS



- A. Report of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of Nov. 18, Approved 2013

Consideration of recommending to the Liquor Commissioner the issuance of a Class "A" Liquor License to Shoyu Hospitality, LLC, dba Boogytori Ramen located at 932 W. Algonquin Road

Trustee Thomas Glasgow moved to recommend to the Liquor Commissioner the issuance of a Class "A" Liquor License to Shoyu Hospitality, LLC, doing business as Boogytori Ramen located at 932 W. Algonquin Road. Trustee Joe Farwell Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .



B. Report of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of Nov. 12, Approved 2013

Hickory Kensington Area: Tax Increment Financing District Qualification Report

Trustee Glasgow moved, seconded by Trustee LaBedz that the Committee-of-the-Whole recommend to the Village Board approval of the execution of a contract with Kane McKenna and Associates, not to exceed \$20,500 for Phase Two. This Phase includes drafting the Redevelopment Plan and to commence the Public Hearing process for considering a TIF District for the Hickory Kensington area. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Glasgow said this action begins the execution of a contract for Phase II for a potential TIF Development in the Hickory Kensington area. The Village is examining the viability of a TIF District.

Keith Moens of 636 S. Cleveland said that TIF Districts subsidize developers. He said developers don't need tax breaks. He said that residents will see a tax increase if a TIF district is allowed. He said the consumer market is weak, the economy is weak and it is not ready to support new businesses. It barely supports the businesses the Village has right now. He asked the Board not to create the TIF and not to raise the Tax Levy. He suggested that if there are tax breaks to throw around, they should be given to homeowners rather than the developers. Homeowners support the businesses that are already here. They spend locally which creates a solid base without tax breaks. Homeowners are stressed right now, if they received these additional monies, they would be spent locally, helping businesses and the tax base.

Trustee Thomas Glasgow moved to approve. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .



C. Report of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of Nov. 12, Approved 2013

Review of FY2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

Trustee Scaletta moved, seconded by Trustee Farwell that the Committee-of-the-Whole recommend to the Village Board that the FY2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial

Report be accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve. Trustee Joe Farwell Seconded the Motion.
The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .



D. Report of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of Nov. 12, Approved 2013

Proposed 2013 Property Tax Levy

Trustee Glasgow moved, seconded by Trustee Rosenberg that the Committee-of-the-Whole recommend to the Village Board to authorize staff to prepare the Village's and the Arlington Heights Memorial Library's 2013 Tax Levy Ordinance reflecting an estimated total tax levy of \$44,575,400 or a 1.84% increase over the 2012 Tax Levy for the Village and Library portion of the levy. The motion passed with Trustees Blackwood, Farwell, Glasgow, LaBedz, Rosenberg, Scaletta, Sidor, and Mayor Hayes voting aye and Trustee Tinaglia voting no.

Trustee Glasgow said that staff presented a 2.06 % levy to the Board and Trustee Rosenberg found a way to reduce this to a 1.84% increase for the 2013 tax levy. The Village is obligated to serve, protect and uphold the services that all residents deserve and expect in Arlington Heights. He said the Board had a lengthy discussion at their Committee of the Whole meeting on the 12th. The Board has to make sure that the Village is staffed in order to be able to protect people. Only 11% of property taxes collected come to the Village. Snow removal, street repair, water service, Police, Fire, these are the things the Village is obligated to do. Looking at the surrounding taxing bodies, their increases are between 3.39%-7%. Trustees watch the money spent very closely during the budgeting process. The Board must also be careful as the Village's bond rating is based on its fiscal prudence and the amount of money the Village keeps in reserve. A high bond rating allows the Village to refinance its debt as a result; over \$500,000 was saved in the last year alone. Inflation is growing which means the Village's costs rise as well. If the Village does not raise taxes, money would have to be taken out of reserves to cover its costs which is not a sustainable model and would decrease the bond rating of the Village.

Trustee Tinaglia said that he doesn't disagree with anything that Trustee Glasgow said or what was pointed out at the Committee of the Whole meeting. He said he is voting "no" for two reasons. First; he said the levy is being raised before the budgeting process which to him seems premature. He said he understands that this timing is out of the Board's hands. Second; he is uncomfortable asking anyone for more money at

this time. He said he will attend his first budget hearings in the spring and will be diligent and ask as many questions as can to make sure he delivers services and is as fiscally conservative as he can be.

Trustee Labedz said that she has learned in 6 months that budgeting is a balancing act. She said the residents have high expectations of services from water to safety to tree lightings. She said she expected to hear a lot regarding high taxes, but instead more people approach her with ideas for new services which generally cost money. This levy is responsible. She thanked trustee Rosenberg for his suggestion to reduce proposed increase from 2.06% to 1.84%. She said her goal is to be able to provide services, but be fiscally responsible. She noted that it is important that water main breaks are fixed right away and that streets are in good repair. These things all cost money. She commended staff on their hard work and the Board for holding the line for so many years. Staff is not increasing, and they have been doing more with less, having been reduced by 10% since the recession.

Trustee Farwell said that the way the tax levy and budget timing are today is like going to a restaurant and paying the bill before opening the menu. The State requires the Village to set a tax levy by the end of the year, but the budgeting process is in the spring. The only way to fix this situation is to move the Village's fiscal year from a May 1 date to the calendar year. A handful of municipalities do this, but not the majority. The Village explored this change a few years ago, but then its attention moved to the recession and the financial crisis it created. Sometime in the future, when the financial situation is more stable, perhaps the Village can look at making this change again. Unfortunately, the Board doesn't have that option today. Lowering the levy, would not be sustainable as the Village would be paying its bills from savings as opposed to paying from earnings.

Trustee Farwell said there are two driving forces that did not allow the levy to go to zero, both of which are out of the Village's control. First; a certain portion of income is sent to the Village via the State and that trickle has been slower than scheduled. Second; there has been talk in Springfield that they will take away municipalities' income stream from income taxes altogether. The Village cannot depend on these revenues. He also noted that the Village is forced by the State to ensure that pensions are 100% funded by 2040. The Village has to plan for this as it does not appear that this law is changing. Village has been funding prudently and this has helped the Village's bond issuance and ratings.

Joanne Engstrom 1306 N. Belmont said she appreciated what was presented by the Board on the proposed tax levy but is disappointed that taxes will be going up again. She said that in five years, she and her family will probably have to move out of the Village because of the growing tax burden. She thanked Trustee Tinaglia for following up words with action. She said that "you can tell me whatever, but you showed me that you care."

President Hayes said that this is the most difficult of issues. The Board is charged

with ensuring the health, safety and welfare and also with being good stewards of residents' money. He said the Board strives to ensure that they meet the competing interests for those who want more services and those who are hurting financially. He noted that it is a fine line to walk between these two perspectives. He said the Board will cut costs where it can but they only control 11% of property taxes. He said the Board will continue to be good stewards and he appreciated Ms. Engstrom's concerns.

Trustee Thomas Glasgow moved to approve. Trustee Mike Sidor Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor .

Nays: Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .



E. Report of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of Nov. 12, Approved 2013

Operating Fund Overview/Recommended Budget Ceilings - FY2015

Trustee Scaletta moved, seconded by Trustee Farwell that the Committee-of-the-Whole recommend to the Village Board approval of the FY2015 Budget Ceilings of \$69,887,100 for the General Fund; and \$16,104,100 for the Water & Sewer Fund. The motion passed unanimously.

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve. Trustee Joe Farwell Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

X. CONSENT AGENDA

This Agenda consists of proposals and recommendations that, in the opinion of the Village Manager, will be acceptable to all members of the Board of Trustees. The purpose of this Agenda is to save time by taking only one roll call vote instead of separate votes on each item. Consideration of this Consent Agenda will be governed by the following rules and procedures prior to roll call vote:

1. Any Trustee who wishes to vote "no" or "pass" on any Consent Agenda items should so indicate.
2. Upon the request of any one Trustee, any item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately after adoption of the Consent Agenda.

3. Citizens in the audience may ask to remove any item on this Consent Agenda.
4. One roll call vote will be taken and will cover all remaining Consent Agenda items.

CONSENT APPROVAL OF BIDS

- A. McDonald Creek Bank Stabilization - Professional Engineering Design Services Approved

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.
The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

CONSENT LEGAL

- A. An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Plan of the Village of Arlington Heights Approved
(1625 S. Arlington Heights Road, change use from Offices Only to Institutional)

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve 13-061. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

- B. An Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 02-049 Approving a Redevelopment Plan and Redevelopment Project for Approximately 35 Acres of Land at the Northeast Corner of Golf Road and Arlington Heights Road Approved
(Amend land use plan for 1625 S. Arlington Heights Road, from "offices only" use to "institutional" use)

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve 13-062. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

- C. An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Arlington Heights, Granting Preliminary and Final Approved

Approval of a Planned Unit Development and Granting
Certain Variations from Chapter 28 of the Arlington Heights
Municipal Code
(Autumn Leaves, 1625 S. Arlington Heights Road)

Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve 13-063. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

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| D. | An Ordinance Prohibiting Parking
(South side of South Street from west right-of-way line of
Mitchell Avenue to 140 feet further west) | Approved |
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Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve 13-064. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

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| E. | An Ordinance Prohibiting Parking
(North side of Campus Drive at 500 west) | Approved |
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Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve 13-065. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

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| F. | An Ordinance Establishing the Speed Limit on a Certain
Street in the Village of Arlington Heights
(Jules Street between Hickory and Dryden Avenue) | Approved |
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Trustee John Scaletta moved to approve 13-066. Trustee Robin LaBedz Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

CONSENT REPORT OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

XI. APPROVAL OF BIDS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. LEGAL

XIV. APPOINTMENTS

XV. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS



A. Comments from Trustee Scaletta regarding Santa Run

Trustee Scaletta said the 6th annual Rotary 5K Santa Run will be on Saturday December 7th. Over 2,000 runners dressed as Santa Claus run through the Village. Mayor Hayes, Trustee Tinaglia, Trustee LaBedz and Director of Planning and Economic Development Charles Perkins will be participating. There is a reindeer run with antlers for younger runners and a one mile walk for walkers. For more information, go to rotarysantarun.org.



B. Trustee Farwell wishes to announce a community initiative in the aftermath of the November 6 tragic fire in Arlington Heights

XVI. REPORT OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Jim Tinaglia moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m. Trustee John Scaletta Seconded the Motion.

The Motion: Passed

Ayes: Blackwood , Farwell , Glasgow , Hayes , LaBedz , Scaletta , Sidor , Tinaglia .

Absent: Rosenberg .

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