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AGENDA
WINFIELD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2010
7:00 P.M. – VILLAGE HALL

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
>> Trustees Olson, Vade Bon Coeur (VBC), Marschinke, Mrugacz present. Bajor, Kunesh excused.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Audience Participation

The opportunity to speak to the Village Board is provided for those who have a question or comment on an agenda item or Village of Winfield issue that will stimulate thought so as to make the Village Board deliberations more productive and meaningful. The Village Board appreciates hearing from our residents and your thoughts and questions are valued. The Village Board strives to make the best decisions for the Village and public input is very helpful.

Respect for the duties of the Village Board and for the democratic process will be adhered to – in this regard, civility and a sense of decorum will be strictly followed. All speakers must address their comments to the Board. Comments that are personally condescending will not be permitted. Therefore, speakers shall be courteous and should not make statements that are personally disrespectful to members of the Village Board.

Please use the microphone when speaking as the proceedings are being videotaped. Please announce your name and address before commenting – all comments under Audience Participation are limited to five (5) minutes and each citizen will only be permitted to speak once.

>> A resident nervously read a poetic script regarding “do the math”, that concluded the proposed amount sought for the tax referendum is directly correlated between the number of years the roads have been in disrepair and the number of years “this board” (i.e., post-Kirschbaum) has been in charge.

Anita Elbe said she was excited to be nominated for the Economic Development Taskforce and provided her background of business and civic involvement in Winfield and previously Downers Grove.

Three residents spoke regarding concerns for the proposed zoning changes to accommodate the Klein Creek Golf Course (KCGC). One of these residents also wanted to verify the village received the signed petition. See also COW item 2.

5. Consent Agenda
>> approved

- A. Motion approving meeting minutes from the Regular Village Board Meeting and Committee of the Whole held March 4, 2010.
- B. Payment of bills for March 18, 2010.
- C. Motion to approve amendments to the Village Investment Policy
Changes to the policy were made to allow participation in the CDARS program.
- D. Motion granting a two year extension to the Planned Unit Development approval for the Starcliff Subdivision, to expire on June 10, 2012.
- E. Motion approving a one year contract extension with Atrium Landscaping of Lemont, IL, for seasonal landscaping work on Village property, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$23,180.
Atrium was awarded this contract on a competitive basis, has performed the work in a satisfactory manner, and agrees to maintain 2009 rates for the 2010 option year.
- F. Resolution restructuring the Community Marketing & Development Taskforce.
This action adjusts the taskforce size from 9 to 7, refines its role, and changes it's name to Economic Development Task Force.
- G. Motion approving the following appointments to the Economic Development Taskforce recommended by the Village President:
 - Robert White -Chair
 - Dennis Hogan
 - Scott Young
 - Anita Elbe
 - Larry Bell

6. Village Trustee Reports of Boards and Commissions

- A. Communication & Technology - VadeBonCoeur
>> [Next meeting 3/22.](#)
- B. Riverwalk - VadeBonCoeur
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- C. Administration & Finance - VadeBonCoeur
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- D. Environmental Concerns - Bajor
>> [Mrugacz reported there will be a Prairie Path Cleanup on 4/24. He also welcomed Wheaton-Warrenville North students that were in the audience observing local government.](#)
- E. Stormwater - Bajor
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- F. Public Works - Bajor
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- G. Planning and H. Zoning- Olson
>> [On 3/25, there will be a public hearing for the electric sign for Winfield Park District. Next meeting 4/7.](#)
- I. Traffic & Public Safety - Kunesh
>> [Marschinke reported that they met last week. Next meeting 4/8. Discussed crosswalk on Jewell and NIMS compliance regarding emergencies](#)
- J. Bikeways Planning Group – Martschinke
>> [Next meeting 4/19. Working on a new “Tour Winfield” brochure. The tours will list stops such as park district, Klein Creek and Cantigny. Also continuing efforts on the Bike to Metra brochure.](#)
- K. Economic Development Task Force- Martschinke

>> First meeting of this new combined taskforce is 4/14. They will address updating the demographics information related to residents and employees within Winfield. There are also ongoing discussions with PACE to service Winfield.

7. Other Village Officials' Reports and Comments

A. Village President

>> Liaisons between other governments (e.g., schools, park districts) will be added to the agenda starting with the next board meeting.

B. Village Attorney

>> Will be on a panel with public access counselor and is expecting this to generate a lot of questions on exemptions from freedom of information.

C. Village Clerk

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D. Village Manager

>> The 3rd budget meeting will be on 3/23. There will be a budget vote at the 4/1 village board meeting. Acknowledged officials that participated in the Polar Plunge fund raiser. Also announced they have an opening for the coffee shop at the train station.

E. Village Treasurer – Treasurers' Report for February

>> Started with \$5.9+ million, ended at \$5.3+ million balance. Expenses due to capital projects.

8. Pending Future Business

>> Birutis asked that all other Plan Commission activities be added to this agenda item in the future.

- Zoning Text Amendments

9. Adjournment

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Community Chest Presentation by Chairman Cliff Mortenson

>> The Central DuPage Hospital grant program of \$100,000 per year for three years has concluded. There had been over \$1.2 million in requests for the \$300,000 in grants. All \$300,000 has been awarded, however the last \$100,000 disbursement for this year is still in progress

2. Review recommendation on noise restrictions for golf courses
>> Village Manager Barrett provided an overview of recent activities:

- Village received several complaints this past season regarding noise prior to 7am
- There are new KCGC owners for the past 18 months
- The village had a workshop regarding the new owners request to be exempt from the noise ordinance, where there was low attendance.
- The homeowner's (including townhomes) bylaws have a covenant permitting early morning noise
- From the workshop, were considering allowing a 5am start in summer and 5:30 in spring/fall.
- Then received several letters and a petition against the zoning change.
- It appears as if the homeowner's association does not have a good communication with the homeowners and the information regarding the workshop was not distributed, although the townhomes association does have better communication and has been receiving more information.
- The previous KCGC owner reported they commonly started maintenance 5-5:30am.
- Early morning noise is a common complaint from GC communities. KC is one of the worst communities due to the "canyon effect" from close housing and less trees.
- The KCGC owner said they would lose up to \$100,000 per year if they needed to push out maintenance start time to 6am.
- Barrett said the townhome association seems to be negotiating a solution with the new owners.
- Barrett said perhaps a 5:30am cross the board start time would be acceptable.

Several KC residents spoke against changing the ordinance. Besides the early start time, several complained about the noise from the tent (a few commented how they now despise “We Are Fam-i-ly”), even going past 11pm since the parties are often noisy in the parking lot on their way out. Comments made include:

- Don’t change zoning to give KCGC owner’s carte blanche, especially regarding tent noise.
- Allow homeowner’s to negotiate with GC owner’s for a month to see if a compromise can be reached
- Should require noise reduction measures such as mufflers on equipment and sound baffles
- How loud is “noise” is there a decibel level definition
- GC should be a “good neighbor” and consider residents (e.g., noise from tent past 11pm followed by noise at 5am with maintenance equipment)
- Communicate with residents, not association, we are your constituents.

KCGC attorney made a few points: they will address the tent noise; they own two other golf courses and start maintenance at 5-5:30am, which is customary for the industry; the equipment is the same as the previous GC owner; agree with Barrett that there has to be a common ground.

President Birutis had three questions (1) Can they construct a permanent facility instead of the tent? Ans from GC rep: no, not financially capable. (2) What about noise measured in decibels? Ans eng Watson: Have investigated previously, however difficult to keep equipment calibrated, therefore went with 11pm. (3) Requested attorney Elliot to inform residents of the communication process. Ans: The agenda is posted, beyond that it is usually to a contact for the interested group. Birutis also stated that the vote was postponed because the village did start hearing of concerns.

Olson appreciated residents comments but also noted that he has communicated with homeowner assoc reps previously because it is effective and recommended they talk to theirs. Stated that the village should enforce their noise ordinance at both 11pm and 7am. Encouraged by residents willing to work with GC owner and recommended the village give them one month to work it out. Olson also investigated the other two GCs the KCGC owner has. One is in St. Charles that has a 6am – 10pm ordinance and the other is in Kane County where the surrounding homes are on larger lots with more trees.

VadeBonCoeur noticed the problem surfaced with the new owner so is unsure the ordinance is the problem and is reluctant to change it.

Mrugacz advised the residents to keep their eye on the agendas, it is their civic duty. He would like to see the GC owner and homeowners work it out.

Marschinke has experience both as a golfer and a golf course employee and supports the need to do early maintenance and supports changing the ordinance to allow the early start. Supports keeping this on the COW agenda one more time before vote.

Birutis requested this to be put on the COW agenda for the first meeting in May.

3. Review final plat and plan for the William-Bugh Subdivision

>> Community Development Coordinator Krummins provided a brief introduction that the 2009 plan had several conditions which have now been met and there was a public hearing before the Plan Commission on 3/3/.

Move to vote at next mtg.

4. Review proposed updates to the Zoning Code

>> Krummins presented a summary of changes. There was a public hearing on 3/3 for Chapter 11 on required communication for zoning changes. The new text distinguishes “zoning text amendments” from “zoning map amendments”, which will require different notices. The map amendments require signs to be posted. Another change is that signs must be removed within 7 days of the hearing.

5. Consider ordinance for RPZ/backflow prevention testing

>> Engineer Watson based this on the IL EPA ordinance. Barrett commented that attorney Elliot suggested a daily fine to be added. This testing is an IL requirement. The cost is approximately \$60-\$120 per resident that has a system. If a resident does not energize their sprinkling system then they are exempt.

Move to vote at next mtg.

6. Consider criteria for evaluating stormwater project requests

>> Watson created a form based on what other communities with a rating system use. Public works or engineer would be responsible to fill out form. Public works would manage storm water projects. This data could also be used during budget planning.

Move to vote at next mtg.

7. Consider Sump Pump Ordinance revision

>> The proposed ordinance by Watson requires sump pump drainage to be at least fifteen feet from property line and must drain to storm drainage (i.e., it cannot drain on neighbors property without a swale).

Move to vote at next mtg.

8. Presentation of 3rd Quarter Financial Report

>> Presented by financial director Sorgetz.

9. Public comments

>> none

10. Village Board comments

>> Olson reported on his recent Springfield trip with the DuPage Mayors and Managers. There are three issues that impact Winfield: (1) Governor's proposed 30% decrease in tax funds disbursement, (2) red light camera legislation. There is a camera at Winfield/Roosevelt intersection that has reduced accidents and provided extra revenues, (3) Pension reform. Last year Winfield paid \$325,000 and this year it will be \$360,000. Reform is needed to keep these payments aligned with incoming revenues.

11. Adjournment