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AGENDA WINFIELD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2009 7:00 P.M. – VILLAGE HALL

1. Call to Order : 7:02 p.m.
2. Roll Call
 - >>President Birutis and all Trustees present except Trustees Vade Bon Coeur and Mrugacz. Also present, Village Attorney, Village Manager, and Village Clerk
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Correspondence
 - A. Letter from the DuPage Metropolitan Enforcement Group presenting a \$2,131 check to the Village for its share of seizure proceeds obtained from a drug investigation successfully conducted by this group, of which the Winfield Police Department is a member.
 - >> President Birutis read the letter aloud.
5. Audience Participation
 - A. Police Chief Frank Bellisario will recognize Deputy Chief Stacy Reeve for her recent graduation from Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command.
 - >> Deputy Police Chief Reeve thanked the Chief and the Board for their praise and recognition.
 - B. Jamie Wilkey from the auditor firm of Lauterbach & Amen will summarize the Village's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for FY2008-09.
 - >> After study, the auditor stated that the Report receives praise for its " highest achievement" in its accuracy and comprehensive detail as stated in its more than 200 pages. Village Finance Director Alletto noted that the Village increased its revenue by \$31,000 in the year, and has no deficit listed, unlike some other localities. The full Report may be found on the Village website. Trustees Bajor and Kunish praised the Village Staff for its work. Trustee Bajor suggested that in the future all revenues be consolidated, including the separately listed Enterprise Fund
 - C. Public Comments:

>> None.

Pres. Birutes noted that “Points of Order” rules in the text of Roberts Rules of Order will be followed at future Board meetings.

6. Consent agenda

>> All items A-E were approved by the Board

- A. Meeting minutes from the Regular Village Board Meeting and Committee of the Whole held October 15, 2009.
- B. Meeting minutes from the Village Board strategic planning session held August 27, 2009.
- C. Payment of bills for November 5, 2009.
- D. Motion approving payment for the Pleasant Ridge sanitary sewer connection project in the amount of \$21,245 to Mauro Sewer Construction.
- E. Motion approving a resolution authorizing the execution of grant of permanent easement to provide sanitary sewer service to Pleasant Ridge.

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7. Motion to approve a resolution authorizing conveyance of a portion of the land commonly known as General Winfield Scott Park to the Winfield Park District.

Village Manager Curt Barrett will present information on the donation by the Village of approximately 6 acres of open space located at the northeast corner of Winfield Road and Waterford Lane to the Winfield Park District. This will become the 17th park owned by the Park District, and increases total Park District open space by nearly 10 percent.

>> Trustee Bajor noted that the park will have a pedestrian walk and that three of its acres will be used for storm water management. He and other Trustees thanked the Park District for accepting the input of the Village in its plans.

8. Motion to approve appointment of the Plan Commission to also serve in a temporary capacity as the Zoning Commission for purposes of updating the zoning code for the Village of Winfield.

Planning and Development Coordinator Peter Krumins will present information on zoning code items in need of updating. Once a revised zoning code is adopted by the Village Board, the Zoning Commission will cease to exist.

>> Approved

9. Village Trustee Reports of Boards and Commissions

A. Communication & Technology – VadeBonCoeur- Absent . Trustee Bajor stated that the next meeting will be held on Nov.23.

B. Riverwalk

>> No Report

C. Administration & Finance - VadeBonCoeur

>> No Report

D. Environmental Concerns - Bajor

>> A summary of its work to date will be written, on such topics as clean air issues and eradication of gypsy moths.

E. Stormwater - Bajor

>> A meeting was held on Oct. 28. Ten projects have already been addressed and ten more are in process including issues regarding some subsidies to homeowners affected by flooding.

F. Public Works - Bajor

>> Future meetings are planned. A number of projects are in process. Some will be coordinated with West Chicago as regular meetings continue

G. Planning - Olson

>> A revised sign ordinance has been drafted which, when completed, will be presented to the citizens for comment.

H. Zoning - Olson

>> Revisions will be drafted for the Zoning Codes, hearings will be held and the Board will be asked to vote on them subsequently.

I. Marketing & Development Taskforce – Olson

>> DuPage County will make a presentation at the next Taskforce meeting and a graphic designer will be selected to aid in the development of printed materials on how to market the Village's advantages

J. Public Safety & Safe Routes to School - Kunesh

>> No Report

K. Traffic & Transportation – Kunesh

>> No Report

L. Bikeways Planning Group – Martschink

>> No Report

10. Other Village Officials' Reports and Comments

A. Village President

>> The Board will sponsor a Coffee Hour for citizens to greet and meet Board members on Nov.14.

B. Village Attorney

>> Nothing noteworthy was done by the Illinois Legislature at its last meeting.

C. Village Clerk

>> No Report

D. Village Manager

>> A public meeting will be held regarding Village Traffic issues.

E. Village Treasurer

>> No Report

11. Pending Future Business

A. The Village Library Director, Matthew Suddarth, spoke of the Library's need to abide by the rules of the Federal handicap acts relating to the rest rooms, movement between floors, and the need to provide proper access to the building as well as to increase the size of the parking lot. Costing over \$1 million, the funds need to be secured by a bond issue issued by the Village after positive results of a required citizen referendum. An annual property tax would need to be imposed which a financial advisor the library has consulted stated would be modest. The Library would pay all costs of reconstruction if the funds are appropriated. Trustee Bajor suggested that some recently enacted federal bonding laws need to be consulted, which will be done by the Village's own financial advisor and that a taxable bond might be less expensive in the long run rather than a tax-free bond since the former has tax rebates.. He pointed out, however, that as a result of the recession, property values may drop which would cause declines in revenues by the Village.

Road Funding Discussion

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A. Review of ComEd response to electrical outages

>> No Report

Adjournment : 8:50 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Wendy Flaherty of First Trust Portfolios will present information on the Village's debt position and current opportunities in the bond market available to municipalities.
>> Various new options were discussed on which recent Congressional legislation may have bearing, including the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and the Building America Bond Fund as well as other sources which would be available by coordination with DuPage County. Currently interest rates are at historic lows and the debt market is volatile. Although the Village continues to receive an A1 rating, only about 2.57% is its current interest rate on bond investments. She says that the Village can borrow \$32 million to meet its present capital needs which would include some water projects.
2. Review revisions to the draft Strategic Plan report
>> Manager Barrett reported that the Plan is being refocused into 5 major categories and will incorporate the 51 goals previously identified. The Board will revisit the issues involved early next year in the hope of securing approval for funding.
3. Consider adjustments to the Village Liquor Control Code
>> Various issues were raised to the Board concerning Federal and State laws by Trustee Martschike and others which were addressed by the Village Attorney. The recommendations to the Board will be made by the Committee of the Whole in later meetings.
4. Public Comments
>> None
5. Village Board Comments>> Trustee Bajor reported that Barry Dredze, a long standing and valuable member of the Environmental Concerns Committee has resigned. The Board commended Mr. Dredze for his work. An announcement was made by former Board member Cliff Mortenson that the generous support by Central DuPage Hospital enables the award of grants to not for profit organizations for their work in Health Safety and Welfare and that these grants have a deadline date of Jan. 11, 2010.
6. Adjournment to Executive Session to discuss personnel, potential purchase /sale of property,potential litigation and review of previousexecutive session minutes.

Adjournment at 9:15p.m.