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AGENDA
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING,
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2008 - 7:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

>> President Czech, Trustees Bajor, Kunesh, Mortenson present. Trustees Birutis and Petitti absent.

IV. Consent Agenda

>> All approved with one unanimous vote and without discussion.

A. Payment of Bills

B. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Village Board Meeting of March 6, 2008

2. Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 6, 2008

C. Special Use Event Permit – Winfield Women’s Club

D. Resolution advocating the continuation of the Village of Winfield’s Loss Prevention Program and encouraging safe work practices by the employees of the Village of Winfield (2nd reading)

E. Ordinance allowing solicitation on Village streets - Miseracordia Heart of Mercy (2nd reading)

F. Ordinance allowing solicitation on Village streets – You Can Make It (2nd reading)

G. Resolution for Improvement by a Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code – Cooley Avenue Motor Fuel Tax Funds (2nd reading)

H. Approval of proposed change orders for the Public Works Site Improvement Project

I. Renewal of Contract with Call One Telecommunications Company for telephone services

J. Award of bid for water main valve testing services.

V. Open Forum

A. Public Comments

>> A resident living on Summit Drive near the Star Cliff development requested the following items be part of the approved extension. Intensity of light on the rear house be cut in half and be turned off by 10PM, silt fence on rear east side be taken down until needed again, construction supply trucks use Winfield Rd rather than Summit, use device to direct backup warning beep to back of truck to reduce this disturbing sound that now goes in all directions, and complete all construction in a single period rather than extending the construction by starting and stopping.

A resident on Peter Rd. requested a speed bump be installed near the park on Peter Road, two speed bumps be installed on Parkway Drive one near County Farm and one near Pleasant Hill, and a four-way stop be installed at the intersection of Peter Road and Parkway Drive. These requests are because children walk in the street due to no sidewalks and many drivers do not observe the speed limit. President Czech said these requests would be passed on to the traffic commission.

VI. New Business – None

VII. Reports of General Business

A. Planning/Zoning Board of Appeals

1. Final Planned Unit Development for Central DuPage Hospital proposal for parking garage and improvement to Diagnostic Imaging building space

>> Approved unanimously with no discussion.

2. Resolution authorizing the exception of a settlement agreement in the lawsuit Siefert Builders versus the Village of Winfield.

>> Approved unanimously after Manager Barlow committed to look into the items requested by resident during public comment segment except for the single construction period request, which he said the Village has no authority to enforce. He stated that the ComEd light across from Star Cliff had been turned off.

3. Ordinance amending 2007-4-16 – An ordinance approving an extension to the planned unit development approval for the Starcliff Planned Unit Development/Siefert and Sons

>> Approved unanimously with no further discussion.

4. An ordinance amending Title 10 –Zoning, Chapters 1 - Zoning title, purpose and definitions, Section 4 – Rules and Definitions and 9 – Off street parking and loading, Section 4 - Off-street parking regulations and requirements

>> Approved unanimously with no discussion.

VIII. Reports of Temporary Committees

A. Downtown Riverwalk Initiative Task Force – Trustee VadeBonCouer

B. Fire Sprinkler Regulations – Trustee Petitti

C. Town Center Marketing and Capacity Study – Trustee Birutis Village

>> Manager reported that the meeting provided for a good exchange of ideas.

D. Safe Routes to School – Trustee Birutis

IX. Future Business

A. Active

1. Ordinance amending Title Three – Businesses and Licenses, Chapter Three – Liquor Licenses, Section Six – License Classifications and Fees of the Winfield Village Code.
2. Review of authority to supervise the activities of WEMA
3. Public Hearing Notices published in the Winfield Register
4. Application of Estate Residential Zoning
5. Compensation recommendation for Village Clerk position
6. Zoning of Public Works site from R-1, Single Family Residential to P-1, Public Land.
7. Creation of the office of President Pro Tem or other approach – a question has arisen regarding who acts as the President in his/her absence, particularly as it relates to a disaster. Options will be discussed.

B. Forthcoming

1. General Development Plan - Key Development Areas 1a, 1b, and 2 St. Charles Road area annexation initiative –Recommendation from the Plan Commission anticipated in the near future.
2. Policy on maintenance of stormwater maintenance facilities – Work has begun on the inventory; policy will be deliberated first by Public Works Committee.
3. Policy on distribution of impact fees – Matter has been referred to the Administration and Finance Committee.
4. Best means to fund street maintenance for the Village streets – Matter been referred to Public Works Committee

X. Village Board Comments

XI. Other Village Official's Reports and Comments

A. Village President

>> President Czech is forming a committee to advise potential Town Center developers what is desired. The following committee members have been selected thus far: Anita Elbe, Tim Allen and Mike Caliendo.

B. Village Attorney

C. Village Treasurer

1. 3rd Quarter Financial Report

>> The Village ended the 3rd quarter with \$10.5 million in the general fund 62% of which is in cash. The return on investments has dropped to 4.23% and revenue from impact fees is down dramatically both due to slow economy making it difficult to keep the budget in balance. Spending in the general fund is slightly above budget at 77% vs. 75% of year and needs to be watched closely. Spending in water and sewer fund is below budget at 67% due to temporary delays. Spending in the capital budget is at 60% due to delays in bid selection.

Trustee Bajor encouraged all to hold expenses down because the budget is tight. The lack of revenue from impact fees is hurting. He said from attendance at the Mayors and Managers meetings it is clear that other local communities are in the same situation. He asked for input from residents on the new budget.

2. February Treasurer's Report

D. Village Manager

>> Manager Barlow said the water main replacement program is moving forward beginning with Winfield Road south of the railroad.

E. Village Clerk

XII. Other Business

XIII. Adjournment

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

I. Old Business

A. Ordinance to authorize and direct the Village President to execute and the Village Clerk attest the Warranty Deed from the Village of Winfield to Central DuPage Health for real property: Parcels 1 and 2 of vacant land situated on High Lake Road, and Parcel 4, commonly known as 27 W 560 High Lake Road, Winfield, Illinois.

>> CDH donated this property several years ago to the Village for a new post office. However, the US postal service has no interest in spending funds to move the post office and Winfield cannot afford to pay for a move. Under the terms of the CDH land donation, if the post office did not move by 2002 the land would revert back to the CDH. Since 2002 this agreement has been extended annually for one more year. Now CDH has decided there is no reason to continue the extensions. Trustee Mortenson asked if it would be possible to have a first right of refusal on this property that could be exercised prior to the hospital selling or developing the property. The attorney for the hospital said he would forward that question on to his client but the current agreement is clear that the land should be returned to the hospital with no strings attached. This topic will be placed on the agenda for vote at the first Board meeting in April.

B. Additional C-1, Liquor Store License Request, Winfield Pantry

>> The Village already has two C-1 licenses and there is concern about adding another. A representative of the liquor industry spoke on behalf of the Pantry owners. He said their food business is hurting due to food sold at Walgreens. Further he said the wine and beer sales are negatively impacted because when people stock up on alcoholic beverages they tend to go where a full range is available. He stated that with the C-1 license the store can be a viable sales tax paying business but without the license the store will likely close.

Trustee VadeBonCoeur said he was torn because he wants the company to be successful but he is concerned about underage purchasing and that there is another liquor store near by.

Trustee Mortenson said, based on his business education, he believes that it is not bad to have two liquor stores close together. It creates healthy competition and draws customers.

Trustee Bajor said he believes Trustees should try to help local businesses. Even though he is concerned about the number of liquor stores in Winfield, he supports granting the license.

The spokesman for the store said there will be security cameras to insure no underage theft and age will be carefully checked prior to purchase.

This item will be placed on the next Board meeting agenda for a vote.

C. Petition for fence variances for 0S772 Forest Street

>> The Zoning Board of Appeals approved unanimously. Move to next Board meeting for vote.

II. New Business

A. Administration and Finance Committee

1. Presentation on the proposed FY 2008-2009 Budget

>> Manager Barlow gave a detailed overview of the budget proposed by the staff. It is a difficult budget due infrastructure needs and more money to fully fund police pensions due to reduced return on investments in a year when there are reduced revenue expectations due to slow economy.

Two positions on the Village staff (part time code enforcement officer and intern) have been cut and two police officer positions will remain unfilled. There are other difficult cuts as well. Water rates will be increased to cover the 54% increase in Chicago water rate and to correct for past deficits in water and sewer fund.

Could increase borrowing since interest rates are unusually low but it is not good practice to balance the budget with a loan. It is up to the Board to modify and further develop the budget as they see fit prior to approving. A budget meeting will be scheduled for next week. The best day will depend on trustee availability. Trustee Bajor is not available on Thursday.

III. Requests for Future Committee of the Whole Agenda Items from the Trustees (Requests Require the Concurrence of at Least Two Members of the Village Board)

IV. Public Comments

V. Village Board Comments

VI. Executive Session - Collective Bargaining Strategy

>> Meeting cancelled due to two trustees being absent.

VII. Adjournment