

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, January 27, 2020

President Alice F. Gallagher, Presiding
Call to Order, 7:00 p.m.
James Horvath, Acting Village Clerk

Board Members Present

Nicole Chen
Alan Fink
James John
Heidi Rudolph
William Siffermann
James Tyrrell

Others Present

Ingrid Velkme, Village Manager
Aleks Breidis, Director of Recreation
Patrick Kenny, Director Fire & EMS
Martin Scott, Director of CD
Brian Budds, Director of Law
Enforcement Services
Grace Turi, Director of Finance
Ellen Baer, Director of Admin
John Mastandona, Asst Dir Finance
Matt Supert, Director of Mun Sves
Michael Jurusik, Village Attorney
Jeff Ziegler, Village Engineer

Electronic Attendance:
There was none.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Gallagher led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL (Acting Clerk Horvath)

READING OF AGENDA - ADDITIONS – DELETIONS

There were no changes.

CALL TO ORDER (President Gallagher)

RECOGNITION OF ILLINOIS SOCIETY OF FIRE SERVICE INSTRUCTORS “FIRE INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR 2019” - DIVISION CHIEF PATRICK GALLAGHER

Director of Fire & EMS Patrick Kenny announced that the Illinois Society of Fire Service Instructors have named Division Chief Patrick Gallagher as “Fire Instructor of the Year 2019”. Chief Kenny presented Division Chief Gallagher with the merit bar to wear on his uniform in recognition of this significant award. President Gallagher congratulated Division Chief Gallagher on behalf of the Board of Trustees and thanked him for his contributions to the department, his trainees and the residents of Western Springs.

President Gallagher acknowledged Scout Master Dan Madigan and the scouts from Troop 12 who were present at the meeting working on their “Citizenship in the Community” merit badge.

SMALL CELL/5G UPDATE – PRESIDENT GALLAGHER

President Gallagher read an update statement regarding small cell/5G.

“At the last Board of Trustees meeting on January 13, the Village Board and staff listened to resident concerns regarding 5G cellular installations within the Village. Since that time, the board and staff have acted quickly to address those concerns. As background, the Illinois Small Cell Wireless Facilities Deployment Act and certain FCC regulations limit municipal control over the permitting and placement of wireless facilities within their town’s borders. This is true for every municipality in the state, including the Village of Western Springs (Although the City of Chicago is exempt from the State Act).

In August 2019, following a special presentation on the state and federally imposed limitations by Attorney Michael Marrs of Klein, Thorpe & Jenkins law firm, the Village Board swiftly adopted stringent guidelines authorized under the Act to recapture control over design standards - control we would otherwise lose absent those guidelines. The board was not satisfied with this limited control and, shortly thereafter, I sent letters to the state sponsors of the Act, requesting an amendment to regain local control. To address rising residents’ concerns about the safety of 5G, I also asked the sponsors to identify health and safety resources they relied upon when sponsoring the legislation. Subsequent letters requesting the same information and relief were then sent to our federal representatives.

In addition to these letters, Trustees Rudolph, Chen, and I advocated for local control with each of our federal representatives and their aides at a regional conference in Washington DC in November. One week later, Senator Durbin co-sponsored Senator Feinstein’s Bill to restore local control over wireless carriers and the deployment of 5G equipment. Please see the Village’s website to review copies of the proposed federal legislation, which consists of a House Bill and a senate Bill. The names of the sponsors and co-sponsors of these proposed legislative initiatives are listed as well.

In December, the Village received a permit application for one small cell wireless facility from Crown Castle. After meticulous scrutiny, staff deemed the application incomplete, and following the Village's written response, it was withdrawn. To date, that remains the only formal application that the Village has received.

In addition to the efforts already enumerated, the Village Board and staff have actively engaged with our neighbors and other municipalities grappling with the lack of local control over 5G deployment, and resident concerns over safety throughout. Village Manager Velkme has been active in a working group of neighboring village managers; including Hinsdale, La Grange, La Grange Park, Hinsdale, Clarendon Hills, Brookfield, Berkeley and Riverside. At my request, our local Council of Government has tasked their state and federal lobbyists with monitoring legislation relating to telecommunications.

Much has happened since our last board meeting:

- *With the concurrence of the trustees, I assigned this matter to the Planning and Zoning Committee and appointed three ad hoc community liaisons to represent the Stop 5G Western Springs & Neighbors group at Village committee meetings, when this topic is on the agenda for discussion. We hope this structure will help improve communication and relations between the board and the Stop 5G group. We thank the liaisons: Pam Conlon, Moira Zellner, and Connie Spencer for accepting these appointments, and look forward to working with each of them in the future.*
- *I have written letters to the ILEPA, Cook County Department of Public Health, and USEPA requesting guidance and information regarding the health impacts of 5G implementation.*
- *The Planning and Zoning Committee has begun the process to evaluate the services of a qualified lobbyist and environmental consultants to be shared with neighboring communities.*
- *Village Attorney Jurusik is reviewing the current Village Code and Design Standards as they relate to 5G and small wireless facilities. Mr. Jurusik is reviewing 5G rulings and pending cases and evaluating legal arguments that may be raised to challenge the validity of the state Act.*
- *Finally, the Village is hosting a Town Hall meeting on February 13th at 7pm in the cafeteria of the South Campus of Lyons Township High School. We are inviting our county, state, and federal representatives, representatives from the telecommunications industry, other municipalities, and of course, our residents, and those of neighboring communities.*

If you are concerned about the implementation of 5G small cell wireless facilities in Western Springs, there are steps you can take to make sure your voice is heard. You can:

- *contact your state and federal representatives,*
- *send emails and letters to your cellular and telecommunications providers – you are the customer - let the corporate officers know how you feel,*
- *[send similar letters to ComEd's corporate officers, letting them know you do not want small cell wireless facilities attached to their poles in your yards*

Finally, the Village Board appreciates the advocacy and interest of the Stop 5G civic group. This board is a municipal body, subject to the laws and regulations imposed upon us by state and federal legislatures and agencies. Please remember that in regard to radio frequency emissions (“RFs”), Village officials are prohibited by the current federal laws from denying any small cell equipment permit applications based on the health effects of RFs. We are not a public health organization and cannot determine the validity of the multitude of articles, research, and data on the subject. Both sides of this issue have cogent research and data to support their position, and until we obtain an official statement from a state, national, or international public health regulatory agency, we cannot take a position on the public health concerns.

What we can do, what we have done, and will continue to do, is advocate for a return of local control over the implementation of 5G; and facilitate the outreach efforts of the Stop 5G group and concerned residents.”

Trustee John gave a brief recap of the Planning and Zoning committee meeting, which was held on Friday, January 24, 2020, at Village Hall. The meeting was very well attended by approximately 30-40 individuals including some members of the Village Board, Village staff and residents. A review of the information provided previously by President Gallagher as well as introductions of the liaison group were part of the meeting. The liaison group shared their thoughts and positions. Several very good recommendations on how to proceed resulted, in ways not thought of before, which were taken under advisement by the Committee and staff. The Committee also provided updates and reviewed the Village website, and how individuals can reach 5G updates, especially those applications that are submitted to the Village. Trustee John added that no additional applications have been received since the Crown Castle application. The Committee also discussed outreach to the cellular providers regarding the stakes that have been put in the ground and mentioned that at that point in time, we had not reached any information on those JULIE stakes being related to 5G, rather the initial thought is that they are associated with fiber being laid by Verizon. Trustee John added that whether or not that will subsequently be associated with 5G, we do not know that at this point in time.

Regional efforts, lobbying options and legislative updates with other municipalities and central council of governments were also discussed with the goal of getting the rights back to the municipalities as well as reviewing potential NEPA consultants to help review any and all potential submissions by the cellular providers. The committee is also reviewing the small cell ordinance and design standards that were approved last year and, based upon feedback from other municipalities, taken some additional considerations in how we can take back control of the look and feel of any wireless antennas that do get put into our town. One thing that we really must remember from a Village perspective is that we have to look at this from beginning to end. We need to come up and try to gain control back of our town and the implementation of these sites, but we also need to take into account that the chances of us being successful and stopping 5G in Western Springs will be difficult. There are many communities and cities out there that really want 5G. From a legislative perspective, as a town of 13,000, we are small in the size of Illinois. Towns and cities, like Chicago, are much bigger than us, and more powerful, and are pushing for that and 5G is already being implemented in Chicago. As an organization, not only are we looking to try to gain back the control of our rights within our municipality and the

Village, but we need to understand that if they go into position, how we can best position ourselves with aesthetics, should it come to those antennas being put into our town. There were a lot of great questions from individuals during the committee meeting. Trustee John said the Committee looks forward to the Town Hall meeting on February 13, 2020, continuing to work with the liaison group and the citizens of Western Springs to move this forward, wherever it may end up. Trustee John assured everyone that the Village staff and Board hears them and is willing to work with all of you in trying to gain back control from state and federal government and to end up with a good result.

President Gallagher highlighted a few guidelines with regard to public comment. The public comment period will be thirty (30) minutes. Each person who wants to address the Board is asked to do so within the three (3) minute timeline that is outlined in the Village's public comment guidelines. The Board will not be responding to public comments initially. President Gallagher asked those in attendance to either submit the questions in writing or the Board will write them down and get back to you in writing with an answer. After the Board meeting on January 13, 2020, President Gallagher said she felt she needed to stress that the Board is not your adversaries but are your neighbors and she implored residents with comments to please treat the Board members as such. President Gallagher asked that those who wish to speak respectfully address the Board when they come up to speak.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Resident Rick Murphy asked the Board about the fiber application received by the Village and whether it would trigger Senate Bill 1451, for the timelines. Mr. Murphy said someone from the Stop 5G group contacted Mr. Paulin. Mr. Murphy asked why someone from the Village did not contact Mr. Paulin from Always Underground to find out for whom they were doing this work.

Resident Adam Hirson, Forest Hills, made a brief statement in opposition to the telecommunication companies bringing 5G in such close proximity to homes and schools. Mr. Hirson also asked about the Town Hall meeting scheduled on February 13. Mr. Hirson asked what the purpose of this meeting is and what the Board hopes to get out of this meeting. Mr. Hirson asked if the invitee and RSVP list could be shared. Mr. Hirson also requested that the residents be given the opportunity to submit formal questions to the attendees and that there is also a two-way street platform of moderation.

Resident Mr. James Holderman said he attended the Planning and Zoning Committee meeting on Friday, January 24. Mr. Holderman said he submitted a list of suggestions to the Planning and Zoning Committee from the Stop 5G group for consideration to potentially amend or strengthen the Village's ordinance. Mr. Holderman said the Stop 5G group would like to have a meeting with Attorney Jurusik and/or staff regarding these suggestions and to obtain confirmation that the Village will support these. Mr. Holderman also referenced a resolution which was passed by the Village of Burr Ridge in 2017 and he then shared some excerpts from this document. Mr. Holdermann requested that staff and Attorney Jurusik draft and pass a resolution excerpting some of this language and, specifically, urging the Illinois General Assembly to repeal 1451. As a follow-up on the fiber permit, Mr. Holderman said he printed out the entire fiber permit. Mr. Holderman said that a member of the Stop 5G group happened upon the fact, in a side note,

something called a CRAN hub which he said was apparently going to be at 55th and LaGrange. Mr. Holderman said the Village has chosen to assign liaisons to the Planning and Zoning Committee to the Board. Mr. Holderman reiterated his request that a commission be formed.

President Gallagher again announced the Town Hall Meeting, which is scheduled on February 13, 2020, at the Lyons Township High School South Campus. The meeting was put in place to facilitate the outreach efforts of the Stop 5G group. President Gallagher added that we do not know who will be attending but we are inviting all of our state and federal legislators, representatives from the telecommunications companies, and neighbors and their residents. There will be a full list of invitees on the website once invitations are sent out. The meeting will be at the South Campus Corral.

CENTRAL AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE – DIRECTOR SUPERT

Director Supert reported that in early December the Village held a public meeting for residents in the project area. There was very good resident turn-out and quite a number of topics were discussed. One of the largest concerns which was discussed at that meeting was the potential widening of Central Avenue. A public comment period was open until December 16, 2019 for residents to provide written comments to the Village. Over the past several weeks, Village staff has created a project page on the Village website and sent out a letter to residents along Central and Elm. As reported at the Public Works and Water Committee meeting, because of the feedback of residents, the potential widening was addressed. Questions about the project will be published on the project page. Village Engineer Jeff Ziegler provided a general update on the Central Avenue project. Discussion and a question and answer period followed. The plan going forward is to eliminate parking on one side of the street (east side) so that the widening is not required as part of the federal highway standards. The trees in the parkway on the west side will need to come out because of the utilities in the area. The sewer will need to be built in the parkway area because of all the utilities under the street. It is the Village's intent to replace all these trees. The timing of the pedestrian bridge is not set but Director Supert said staff will be reaching out to the Tollway to understand what that timeline is and what the impact on this project might be. Village Manager Velkme said the new bridge location was just determined in December so the plan is still being developed. The existing pedestrian bridge at Maple will be left in place until the new pedestrian bridge at 47th Street is in place.

Director Supert said there is going to be a lot of activity and construction work in this area with the BNSF work, the tennis court and parking lot improvements at Spring Rock Park, as well as this project. The timeline for the project is to be let (bid) in November 2020. The entire Central Avenue project is anticipated to take nine to twelve (9-12) months. The sewer is an extensive part of this project and will take three to four (3-4) months. The sewer is 5' in diameter and will be 15' deep in some places. The current sewer is 8" in diameter, so this will be a big change and improvement. Outage of driveway should not be any longer than a typical Village roadway project which is four to six (4-6) weeks. Director Supert said a follow-up meeting is not anticipated but all the questions and answers will be posted on-line. Emails updates will be sent to any residents affected in the project area. A construction meeting once the project kicks-off will be held. Trustee Rudolph suggests a resident meeting once all the projects are set. Director Supert said a meeting such as that will likely be held in January 2021.

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AGENDA ITEMS

EXPLANATION OF OMNIBUS VOTING PROCEDURE

President Gallagher said the Illinois State Statutes allow a municipality to collectively vote on a group of ordinances, resolutions, and other motions, such as awards of contract, appointments, etc. This is known as an omnibus vote. All the items contained on the omnibus vote list have been previously discussed by the President and Board of Trustees on at least one occasion, and often on several occasions. By placing them on the omnibus vote list, a single vote may be taken to approve them. A Trustee may remove any item from the list and have it discussed and voted on separately, prior to the omnibus vote.

There were no changes to the omnibus list.

Trustee Tyrrell moved that the following ordinances, resolutions and motions as contained on the meeting agenda for January 27, 2020, be adopted and/or approved under an omnibus vote:

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF DECEMBER 16, 2019 AND JANUARY 13, 2020 AS READ

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 - ORDINANCE NO. 20-2993 AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS MUNICIPAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (2013 POLARIS RANGER CREW 800 VEHICLE)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 - ORDINANCE NO. 20-2994 AMENDING TITLE 7 (MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), CHAPTER 3 (PARKING REGULATIONS), SECTION 2 (GENERAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS), SUBSECTION A (STREET CLEANING; SNOW REMOVAL) OF THE WESTERN SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE TO CHANGE THE PROHIBITION OF PARKING ON PUBLIC ON STREETS AFTER A FOUR (4) INCH SNOWFALL TO A TWO (2) INCH SNOWFALL

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 - ORDINANCE NO. 20-2995 AMENDING THE WESTERN SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD SECTION 7-1-4 (PRIVATE REGULATION OF TRAFFIC AND ON-STREET PARKING ON CERTAIN PRIVATE STREETS AND ON-STREET PARKING) AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS AND TIMBER TRAILS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC REGARDING SNOWPLOWING AND SALTING SERVICES AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF POSTED MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC AND ON-STREET PARKING REGULATION SIGNS FOR THE ROADWAYS IN THE TIMBER TRAILS SUBDIVISION

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – RESOLUTION 20-2522 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS AND THE MORTON ARBORETUM FOR A 2019-2020 URBAN AND

COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 (PROJECT #0788-18)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – RESOLUTION 20-2523 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR USE OF A PORTION OF THE WESTERN SPRINGS RECREATIONAL BUILDING FOR THE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A SENSORY ROOM (SEASPAR)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – RESOLUTION NO. 20-2524 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES WITH CHRISTOPHER B. BURKE ENGINEERING, LTD. OF ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS FOR THE SPRINGDALE SUBDIVISION STORMWATER STUDY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$49,712

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 - RESOLUTION NO. 20-2525 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HR GREEN, INC. OF MCHENRY, ILLINOIS FOR DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE 2021 GRAND AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT IN THE RIDGEWOOD SUBDIVISION

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – RESOLUTION NO. 20-2526 AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF THE EXTENSION OF THE LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS AND METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE OF POLICE, WESTERN SPRINGS POLICE CHAPTER 360

AGENDA ITEM NO 10 - MOTION TO AWARD A BID TO LOWEST, QUALIFIED RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, CONSTRUCTION SOLUTIONS OF ILLINOIS, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEASPAR SENSORY ROOM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$108,723, WITH CUBBY ALTERNATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,000 AND LIGHTING ALTERNATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000, FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$122,723

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 - MOTION TO WAIVE THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF TWENTY-NINE (29) SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS (SCBA) UNITS LESS TRADE-IN VALUE OF \$3,900 FOR A TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF \$66,938 FROM AIR ONE EQUIPMENT, INC. OF SOUTH ELGIN, ILLINOIS [BID WAIVER BASED ON SOLICITATION OF COMPETITIVE PROPOSALS FROM KNOWN, QUALITY VENDORS AND SELECTION OF AIR ONE EQUIPMENT AFTER VILLAGE STAFF EQUIPMENT ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION]

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 – MOTION TO WAIVE THE BIDDING PROCESS AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A STORAGE AREA NETWORK (SAN) FOR THE VILLAGE’S DATA STORAGE FROM DELL AT A PRICE OF \$34,420 [NOTE: DISCOUNTED PURCHASE PRICE BELOW STATED GOVERNMENT SERVICES AGENCY PRICING SCHEDULE; DELL IS AUTHORIZED VENDOR UNDER STATE OF THE ILLINOIS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ILLINOIS PROCUREMENT CONTRACT AND VILLAGE TO BE REIMBURSED ONE-THIRD OF THE COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,473 BY LTACC]

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 - MOTION TO APPROVE A LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE ILLINOIS STATE TOLL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY REGARDING A FIBER UTILITY POLE

Trustee Siffermann seconded the motion.

Village Attorney Jurusik clarified that under agenda item 3, the Board is changing the parking on streets where there is a snowfall from 4” down to 2”. Since that is going to be approved this evening on omnibus, that creates a change in the agenda item 4 exhibit. With no objection from the Board, this change was incorporated into the motion.

Trustee John asked if this parking change was effective immediately and asked how the change would be communicated. Attorney Jurusik said the ordinance is effective ten (10) days after the approval date and with signage reflecting the revision. Village Manager Velkme said information will be shared on this change via “Newsflash” and with posting on the Village website.

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Voting aye: Trustees Tyrrell, Siffermann, Rudolph, John, Fink, Chen and President Gallagher.

Voting nay: None.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

REPORTS

14) MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT (Rudolph)

November and December 2019 Monthly Reports

Trustee Rudolph presented the November and December 2019 monthly reports. The Police Pension Fund posted unrealized gains for December with unrealized gains of 1.80% and a trailing 12-month return of 19.93%. This is a dramatic return from our October trailing 12-month return of 3.38% and November of 11.16%. This reflects what we are seeing in terms of the volatility of the market and how it impacts these returns. The General Fund ended the month of December with a surplus, but we still have transactions to post during the conversion to a modified accrual basis. Sales tax receipts in calendar year 2019 were 2.12% less than 2018 and 7.2% lower than budgeted. This is the first time that the sales tax has been down over the prior year in the last five (5) years. Discussion followed. The LGDF distributions of local income tax exceeded our projections by 12%. Fines, interest income and permits also ended the year by exceeding the budget. On a cash basis, expenditures are on target.

In the Water/Sewer Funds, on an annual basis, consumption billed is 8.45% lower than 2018. We currently have a surplus in the fund but that is only due to timing between the receipt of IEPA loan proceeds and the first payment of work due on Well #5. This is a pretty significant decrease equivalent to about one billing period.

Trustee Siffermann asked, after having listened to a lot of the comments that were made on January 13, and tonight, as well as at the Planning and Zoning Committee meeting on January 24, concerning observations and suggestions that have been made by the public about hiring of lobbyists and other experts to help address the issue of 5G, is there any disposable income that the Village has to address these requests that the Village consult or hire any lobbyist or other experts. Trustee Siffermann added that when he hears all these great ideas, he recognizes that many great ideas have a price tag and a dollar sign attached to them. Trustee Siffermann asked if there is any source of income to address these great ideas. Trustee Rudolph said there is no fluff in the budget. Every year it is a very tight budget, in terms of revenues and expenditures. As just reported, there are some areas in 2019 which came in lower than expected. Trustee Rudolph turned the question over to Village Manager Velkme and Director Turi but added that in her mind that would mean something would have to give. To fund something new, a project has to be delayed or we have to look for other ways to pay for it.

Director Turi reminded the Board that during the budget process, we had to levy certain dollar amounts and any increases were not going towards operation. All the increases were going toward pensions. The operations of the Village are very, very tight and are basically break even. Director Turi continued saying that if we were to fund an extraordinary expenditure for a lobbyist or consultant, we would not do it out of operating income. The Board would have to decide if the reserves were an adequate source of funding. That would be the only place to find some extra dollars for an expenditure of this sort. As far as operations go, there isn't much to spare. Any increase in this year's levy was dedicated to debt service and pension.

Village Manager Velkme said if we did decide to move in that direction, taking from reserves, the Board would have to amend the budget. Trustee Siffermann thanked Trustee Rudolph, Village Manager Velkme and Director Turi for their responses. Trustee Siffermann said he was not building this line of questioning to advocate on behalf of any of the great ideas that were shared, he simply wanted to make certain that, in this public body, and at this public meeting, that we recognize that there is an additional cost that would have to be borne by the Village to pursue any of these ideas. President Gallagher added that when we talk about hiring a lobbyist or environmental consultant, we are talking about doing that with other communities so that we can share in the cost so that it would not be such a burden placed on the Village individually. It is still early in the process.

President Gallagher asked about the increase to the LGDF, whether that was a timing issue or something else. Director Turi said we cannot say what the source of the increase is at this time.

MOTION:

Trustee Rudolph moved, seconded by John to approve the disbursements for November and to accept the December 2019 financial report.

The motion passed on a roll call vote.

Voting aye: Trustees Rudolph, Siffermann, Tyrrell, Chen, Fink and John.

Voting nay: None.

15) VILLAGE PRESIDENT GALLAGHER

- January 15, 2020 – President Gallagher, Trustees Chen, John, Rudolph Tyrrell, Village Manager Velkme and Director Scott attended a “Stop 5G Hinsdale” Town Hall meeting at the Hinsdale Community House. President Gallagher provided a recap of that meeting to the Board.
- January 16, 2020 – President Gallagher attended the Illinois Toll Highway January 2020 Board meeting. President Gallagher provided a recap of that meeting to the Board.
- January 18, 2020 – President Gallagher, Trustee Rudolph, Communications Manager Cicek and Director Scott attended the celebration of Music Makers new location on Howard across from Field Park School. President Gallagher shared information on that celebration with the Board.
- January 22, 2020 – President Gallagher and School Resource Office Niezgoda attended the Coalition for a Drug-Free Lyons Township breakfast. President Gallagher provided information about information shared at that important event to the Board.
- January 27, 2020 – President Gallagher and Director Scott met earlier today with Craig Mawdsley and other members of the Western Springs Business Association (WSBA) Board and discussed ways to improve the exchange of ideas between the Village Board and the WSBA Board. President Gallagher offered to add two (2) liaisons to the Economic Development Commission to further communications. Parking was also a topic of discussion, with no resolution.

16) VILLAGE MANAGER VELKME

Village Manager Velkme provided an update on Well #4. Village Manager Velkme reported that the Village is in week three (3) of the well maintenance scheduled for Well #4. Suez will complete the well treatment and they will transport and start the process of setting the pipe, the pump assembly and the rebuilt motor at the well house.

Village Manager Velkme reported that tree removal in conjunction with the Tollway construction project has been done to the west in both Western Springs as well as Hinsdale near the I-294 and the BNSF interchange. The Tollway is also doing mainline pothole repair and maintenance overnight so sometimes the Tollway may have some closures at night, so if residents are traveling late, please check the Tollway website for information about those closures. The timber test piles will start up again this week and

next. The Tollway is testing the soils there.

17) VILLAGE ATTORNEY JURUSIK

Special Service Area #8 Formation (Ridgewood Oaks Subdivision Basin Project)

Attorney Jurusik provided an update on the Special Service Area #8 formation. The Board will adopt an initial ordinance that identifies the estimated project cost and sets up the public hearing which the Village must have on April 13, 2020. Attorney Jurusik said the draft ordinance will be on the docket for approval on February 10, 2020. Staff is still working to obtain the final project costs and some of the details on the financing. This will not delay the public hearing date of April 13, 2020. Two weeks later, on April 27, 2020, approval of the project will be scheduled which is consistent with the current timeline and will allow the project to be bid and constructed in the 2020 construction season.

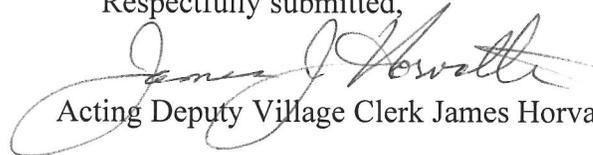
ADJOURN

With no further business to address, President Gallagher asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION:

Trustee Tyrrell moved, seconded by Rudolph, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,


Acting Deputy Village Clerk James Horvath