



1200 Wilmette Avenue  
WILMETTE, ILLINOIS 60091-0040

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WILMETTE, ILLINOIS HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF SAID VILLAGE HALL, 1200 WILMETTE AVENUE, WILMETTE, ILLINOIS ON TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019.**

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The Village President called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**1.0 ROLL CALL**

President	Bob Bielinski
Trustees	Julie Wolf Senta Plunkett Kathy Dodd Joel Kurzman George Pearce
Absent:	Daniel Sullivan
Staff Present:	Timothy J. Frenzer, Village Manager Michael Braiman, Assistant Village Manager Jeffrey Stein, Corporation Counsel Barbara Hirsch, Deputy Village Clerk John Adler, Director of Community Development John Prejzner, Assistant Director of Administrative Services Brigitte Berger-Raish, Director of Engineering & Public Works

**2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

Reverend Tom Behrens said he is a Wilmette resident and founder of the Night Ministry in Chicago. He has been involved with the State of Illinois but not involved in local laws. He believed the letter sent out by President Bielinski before the last election was inappropriate. He suggested the Village Board form an Ethics Committee going forward.

Corporation Counsel Jeffrey Stein said the letter written by President Bielinski was not on Village of Wilmette stationary and no Village resources were used. As the ethics advisor for the Village it was his job to let the Village Board know what the limitations were regarding the local election.

Kurt Topel, 141 Maple Avenue, said he volunteers for a non-profit organization known as Meals At Home and he wanted to let residents know that it might be a service that people in the community desire.

Richard Pinner, 2443 Pomona Lane, said he is concerned about the onsite drainage in the Community Playfield. He asked the Village Board to allow sufficient time for appropriate interaction and feedback from the community as a whole.

Ardel Fogel, 2540 Wilmette Avenue, said she also has concerns about the onsite storage proposed at Community Playfield. She believes it would affect the students and faculty at Highcrest School. She believes there is a better space in the area for the storage facility.

Aravinda Reddy, 2522 Greenleaf Avenue, said she encourages the Village to lead in green initiatives with the proposed storage facility and consider that the trees not be removed.

### **3.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

Trustee Kurzman removed item 3.23 from the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Wolf moved approval of the remaining items of the Consent Agenda as follows:

- 3.1** Approval of minutes of the Regular Board meeting as amended held April 9, 2019.

#### **LAND USE COMMITTEE CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3.2** Presentation of minutes of the Appearance Review Commission meeting held March 4, 2019.
- 3.3** Presentation of minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held March 20, 2019.
- 3.4** Presentation of minutes of the Land Use Committee meeting held July 10, 2018.
- 3.5** Presentation of minutes of the Land Use Committee meeting held December 4, 2018.
- 3.6** Presentation of minutes of the Land Use Committee meeting held February 26, 2019.
- 3.7** Approval of Temporary Use Permit #2019-TU-05 for three temporary tents as part of a tent sale at Road Runner Sports, 3232 Lake Avenue from Wednesday, April 24, 2019 through Monday, April 29, 2019.

- 3.8** Appearance Review Commission Report, Case #2018-AR-39, 1167 Wilmette Avenue, 1167 Wilmette Restaurant LLC regarding a request to grant a sign variation to display a wall sign that is painted directly on an exterior wall of the building; adoption of Ordinance #2019-O-33.
- 3.9** Zoning Board of Appeals Report, Case #2019-Z-09, 1110 Seneca Road regarding a 16.78' rear yard of a double-frontage lot swimming pool setback variation to permit the construction of an in-ground swimming pool in accordance with the plans submitted; adoption of Ordinance #2019-O-34.
- 3.10** Zoning Board of Appeals Report, Case #2019-Z-11, 611 9<sup>th</sup> Street regarding a request for a 10.6' rear yard deck setback variation, a 4.6' rear yard parking pad setback variation, a 106.04 square foot (7.07%) rear yard structure impervious surface coverage variation, and a 32.57 square foot (2.17%) rear yard total impervious surface coverage variation to permit the construction of a new deck and a new parking pad in accordance with the plans submitted; adoption of Ordinance #2019-O-35.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3.11** Presentation of the Actuarial Valuations for the Firefighters' and Police Pension Funds as of January 1, 2019 to be placed on file.

#### **ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3.12** Reappointment of Jeffrey Kinzel to the Police Pension Fund Board of Trustees from May 2019 to May 2021.
- 3.13** Reappointment of Amanda Ault to the Environmental & Energy Commission from May 10, 2019 to May 10, 2022.
- 3.14** Appointment of Randall Tyner to the Transportation Commission from April 23, 2019 to April 23, 2023.
- 3.15** Appointment of Nathan Kebede to the Transportation Commission from April 23, 2019 to April 23, 2023.
- 3.16** Notice of vacancy on the Transportation Commission due to the resignation of Peter Barrow.

#### **MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3.17** Approval of contract in the amount not to exceed \$37,500 with United Septic, Inc., Bristol, IL for catch basin cleaning.

- 3.18 Approval of three year contract at the unit prices set forth in the proposal dated April 4, 2019 with Alpha Paintworks, Inc., Chicago, IL for fire hydrant painting.
- 3.19 Approval of contract in the amount not to exceed \$81,980 with Currie Motors Fleet, Frankfort, IL to purchase three Ford transit vans.
- 3.20 Approval of contract in the amount not to exceed \$55,941 with Landmark Ford, Springfield, IL to purchase two Ford F-250 pick-up trucks.
- 3.21 Approval of contract in the amount not to exceed \$24,504 with Roesch Ford Commercial Truck Center, Bensenville, IL to purchase one Ford F-150 pick-up truck.
- 3.22 Approval of contract supplement 1 in the amount not to exceed \$24,550 with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd, Rosemont, IL for additional engineering services associated with the Neighborhood Storage Project.
- 3.24 Approval of contract amendment 1 with A. Lamp Concrete Contractors, Inc., Schaumburg, IL in the amount of \$140,000 for the 2019 Brick Renovation and Repair Program.

Trustee Plunkett seconded the motion. Voting yes: Trustees Wolf, Plunkett, Dodd, Kurzman, Pearce, and President Bielinski. Voting no: none. The motion carried.

#### 4.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

- 4.1 Proclamation designating April 26, 2019 as Arbor Day, and presentation of the 35<sup>th</sup> Tree City USA Award Recognition from the Arbor Day Foundation.  
  
President Bielinski read aloud the Proclamation.
- 4.2 Announcement of designation of Libby Braband as Chair of Transportation Commission.

President Bielinski announced the designation of Libby Braband as Chair of Transportation Commission.

There were no reports from the Village Manager or Corporation Counsel.

#### 5.0 REPORT OF LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSIONER:

No Report

#### 6.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**6.1 LAND USE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

All items listed on the Consent Agenda

**6.2 FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

All items listed on the Consent Agenda

**6.3 ADMINISTRATION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

All items listed on the Consent Agenda

**6.4 MUNICIPAL SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

- 3.23** Approval of contract in the amount not to exceed \$118,315 with Civiltech Engineering, Inc., Chicago, IL for Phase 1 engineering services associated with the Skokie Boulevard and Lake Avenue Intersection Improvement Project.

Trustee Wolf moved to approve a contract in the amount not to exceed \$118,315 with Civiltech Engineering, Inc., Chicago, IL for Phase 1 engineering services associated with the Skokie Boulevard and Lake Avenue Intersection Improvement Project, seconded by Trustee Pearce.

Trustee Kurzman said he removed the item from the Consent Agenda not out of concern but out of gratitude for its exciting potential that we can improve the safety of one of our most heavily trafficked intersections. Lake Avenue and Skokie Boulevard has seen 118 accidents spanning five years. This intergovernmental agreement did not come quickly or easily so he seeks to highlight the excellent work and persistence of our staff that is now paying off with federal dollars. Two years ago while campaigning for the election, one of the issues he talked most about was improving the pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular safety. He is pleased to reflect upon the considerable strides we have made in this area during the last two years. In the 2019 Budget, we restored the traffic calming line item, improved key infrastructure items via our Budget and the CIP, and how much better the intersection at Skokie Boulevard and Hibbard Road is. He thinks about the potential of how much better Locust Road and the Glenview Road, Edens overpass sidewalk can be. He asked staff to outline some of the improvements we might see at Lake Avenue and Skokie Boulevard as well as the effort that went into obtaining this difficult to reach Intergovernmental Agreement. He thanked staff for their excellent work on this issue.

Brigitte Berger-Raish, Director of Engineering and Public Works, said what makes this issue particularly unique is that Skokie Boulevard is owned by the State of Illinois and Lake Avenue is owned by Cook

County. In cases like this, the Village felt it was important enough to take the initiative and offer to those agencies to lead the construction through all phases. The project is primarily a pedestrian improvement and we will do a traffic analysis as well to make sure the lane widths and the cueing lengths are the lengths that they need to be to handle the traffic that moves through the intersection. They will do a detailed accident analysis of the intersection and if there are safety improvements that need to be made, they will do that as well. They will also bring the intersection up to ADA standards. They would also like to convince IDOT that they would like to add a piece of sidewalk connecting Lake Avenue all the way up to Illinois Road on the east side of Skokie Boulevard.

Trustee Wolf said she is also excited about the project. She also noted that there was input from parents of children walking to school and residents walking to Edens Plaza. She noted that it takes residents and staff working together to get intergovernmental cooperation.

Voting yes: Trustees Wolf, Plunkett, Dodd, Kurzman, Pearce and President Bielinski. Voting no: none. The motion carried.

**6.5 PUBLIC SAFETY STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

No Report

**6.6 JUDICIARY STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

No Report

**6.7 REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

No Reports

**7.0 NEW BUSINESS**

No Report

**8.0 MATTERS REFERRED TO STANDING COMMITTEES**

**8.1** Review development regulations, including permitted and special uses, in the PCD-1 (Edens Plaza) Zoning District.

**9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Wolf moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m., seconded by Trustee Pearce. All voted aye, the motion carried.

Barbara L. Hirsch  
Deputy Village Clerk