

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
JUNE 17, 2008**

IN ATTENDANCE: President Byrne called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m. The following Trustees were present: Hebda, Koch Marquardt, Schultz, Schwartz, Williams.

Also present were Village Manager Allison, Assistant Village Manager Kalmar, Finance Director Nakrin, Chief of Police Fleischhauer, Village Engineer Brown, Public Works Director Laudenslager, Building Commissioner Atkinson, Attorney Kenny and Village Clerk Pelletier.

1. APPROVAL OF 6/03/2008 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES.

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Schultz approval of the 6/03/2008 Committee of the Whole Minutes. Roll call vote:

AYES: 6-Schwartz, Williams, Hebda, Koch, Marquardt, Schultz

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 0-None

Motion declared carried.

2. GREGG'S LANDING-GREGG'S PARKWAY EAST ENTRY MONUMENT SIGNAGE.

Don Kathan and Jim Ferolo presented the revised plans for the monument signage. The revised plans showed 50% of the brick had been removed for better site lines. The street light and monument were moved westerly on the island. A six-inch barrier curb would be installed. Easement agreements would be drafted by the attorneys. Motion by Trustee Koch, second by Trustee Marquardt to direct staff to prepare the necessary documents for legal agreements and insurance issues. Roll call vote:

AYES: 7-Williams, Hebda, Koch, Marquardt, Schultz, Schwartz, Byrne

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 0-None

Motion declared carried.

3. WRITER ESTATES PEDESTRIAN PATH.

Village Engineer Brown stated a compromised was reached between the Village, Writer Estates developer and the homeowners to eliminate the pathways 1, 2 & 3 as highlighted in JKL Engineering plans dated 12/21/2006. A limestone block border, in-lieu of the proposed fence, would be installed as a buffer between the homes and wetlands. The developer would set aside funds save by the elimination of the pathway to an earmarked account for the purpose for future improvements. The Village attorney stated the Declaration of CCR would need to be amended.

Motion by Trustee Schultz, second by Trustee Hebda to direct staff to prepare the necessary agreement to eliminate the pathway. Roll call vote:

AYES: 6-Hebda, Koch, Marquardt, Schultz, Schwartz, Williams

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 0-None

Motion declared carried.

Motion by Trustee Schultz, second by Trustee Hebda to direct staff to prepare the necessary agreement to hold funds for improvements. Roll call vote:

AYES: 6-Koch, Marquardt, Schultz, Schwartz, Williams, Hebda

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 0-None

Motion declared carried.

Motion by Trustee Hebda, second by Trustee Marquardt to direct staff to prepare the necessary ordinance amending the original approved plans and agreements. Roll call vote:

AYES: 6-Koch, Marquardt, Schultz, Schwartz, Williams, Hebda

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 0-None

Motion declared carried.

4. **RUST-OLEUM CORPORATION, 11 HAWTHORN PARKWAY–CONCEPT PRESENTATION OF PLANS FOR PROPOSED PARKING LOT EXPANSION.**

Assistant Village Manager Kalmar stated Gene Childers of Rust-Oleum Corporation was present to request direction for concept plans to expand the existing westerly 62-space parking lot with the addition of 40 spaces. The facility provides 102 spaces under the building. Rust-Oleum leases 30 spaced from property to the east. Construction would require the removal of substantial dirt and could affect the pine tree buffer to the south along Route 60. Staff supported the proposed expansion including the following engineering and landscape issues:

1. Preserving the large stand of evergreen trees along the Route 60 frontage. This will require a tree survey that accurately locates the trees on the berm.
2. Possible lowering the parking lot elevation to eliminate any vehicle headlights from sweeping the Route 60 and Deerpath Intersection.
3. Providing adequate storm sewers and emergency overflow route for this stormwater.
4. Inclusion of landscape islands within the parking lot in compliance with Village Ordinance.
5. Adequate lighting of the new parking lot while not allowing the spillage of light onto Route 60.
6. Re-establishing the landscaping within the existing parking lot islands.

Trustee Schultz recommended the elimination of an island and a 3 to 1 tree replacement for lost trees. Consensus of the Committee was to direct Rust-Oleum to begin the technical review process and appear before the Planning and Zoning Commission for amendment of their site and landscaping plans.

5. **ARBORTHEATER POLICY.**

Village Manager Allison presented a draft policy for use of the Arbortheater stage and requested direction on further development of a policy. Trustee Schultz recommended a flat \$10 for use. A liability waiver could be instituted for organizations and individuals. A promissory note could be used for damages to the property. Trustees Schwartz, Williams and Koch recommended the to continue to use the “laisse fare” policy. The consensus of the Committee was to keep the permit application simple.

7. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Motion by Trustee Hebda, second by Trustee Williams approval to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting. Roll call vote:

AYES: 6-Schultz, Schwartz, Williams, Hebda, Koch, Marquardt

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 0-None

Motion declared carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Linda Pelletier, Village Clerk

Roger L. Byrne, Village President

