

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
OCTOBER 6, 2009**

IN ATTENDANCE: President Byrne called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. The following Trustees were present: Hebda, Koch, Schultz, and Schwartz. Trustees Marquardt and Williams were absent.

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

1. APPROVAL OF 9/15/2009 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES.

Motion by Trustee Hebda, second by Trustee Koch approval of the 9/15/2009 Committee of the Whole Minutes. Roll call vote:

AYES: 4-Hebda, Koch, Schultz, Schwartz

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2-Marquardt, Williams

Motion carried.

2. 2010 RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE SERVICES CONTRACT.

Public Works Director Laudenslager reviewed the history of the current garbage service contract, which was due to expire November 2010. Willis the SWALCO Executive Director was in attendance to answer questions concerning contracts and service pricing. Trustee Schultz requested the extension of the yard waste service until mid December due to the late dropping of fruit tree leaves. Mr. Laudenslager stated the two options before the Committee was either to renegotiate the current contract or rebid the contract. The current vendor Veolia had requested adding fuel charges to the contract. Mr. Laudenslager stated the current contract had a 54% participation. It was noted the townhomes and condos had negotiated their own contracts with either Veolia or Waste Management, which generally had less than single family homes due to less frequent stops. The ordinance would need to be modified to include the multiple family residences. Staff recommended reducing pickup to once a week versus twice a week to reduce costs and wear and tear on Village roads. Staff recommended all curbside pickups should have totes. Trustee Hebda preferred to rebid the contract, eliminate the second pickup, include all residences with one hauler and offer a Senior discount for those residents 65 years of age and older. Trustee Schultz concurred with Trustee Hebda's preferences.

3. VEOLIA-REQUEST TO CHANGE SECOND PICKUP DAY OF THE WEEK TO FRIDAYS.

Manager Allison stated Veolia had requested the consolidation of the second pick up to Fridays only for all areas. The recommendation by staff was to do it at contract time.

4. CUNEO MUSEUM AND GARDENS-MEETING WITH LOYOLA UNIVERSITY.

President Byrne stated he and staff had met with Loyola concerning the conveyance of the Cuneo Museum and Gardens to Loyola University at the end of the year. The operating costs for the Museum were approximately \$1.2 annually. Due to the economic environment, the Village was not in a financial situation to incur additional costs.

5. MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE-IMPROVEMENTS.

Public Works Director Laudenslager stated two potential improvements at the Vernon Hills course were to grade and install and paved cart path at an approximate cost of \$25,000 and regrade an area

near the Hole #3 to permit golf balls to roll towards the creek, slow velocity and sit within the regraded area. Consensus of the Committee was to forgo the cart path and have Public Works staff do the regarding of Hole #3 to preclude any additional expenses.

6. **HAWTHORN FASHION SQUARE/CHASE PROPERTIES-UPDATE.**

Assistant Village Manager Kalmar stated staff would meet with Chase Properties regarding sales tax incentives to off set renovations at the former Wicks Furniture site for Dick's Sporting Goods. President Byrne inquired if an escape clause could be instituted and questioned whether incentives should be available to other centers during the soft market for leasing of space.

7. **DEERPATH ATRIUM CENTER ASSOCIATION.**

Assistant Village Manager Kalmar stated staff had met with the property owners of the Deerpath Atrium Center Association met on 9/29/2009 to reform and review various business items relative to the Association. Status of the Pathway Senior Housing project was discussed and its impact of Atrium Drive located adjacent to Lot 4. Staff would prepare an assessment and associated costs for improvements for discussion at the 10/20/2009 meeting.

8. **ANNUAL APPRECIATION DINNER.**

The Committee discussed various options for the annual appreciation dinner and directed staff to prepare numbers.

9. **ADJOURNMENT.**

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

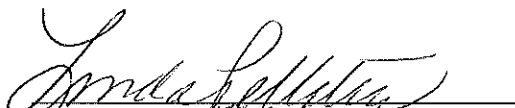
AYES: 4-Koch, Schultz, Schwartz, Hebda

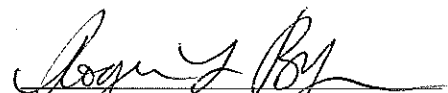
NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2-Marquardt, Williams

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.


Linda Pelletier, Village Clerk


Roger L. Byrne, Village President