

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
NOVEMBER 20, 2007**

IN ATTENDANCE: President Byrne called the meeting to order at 8 p.m. The following Trustees were present: Koch (arrived at 8:50 p.m.), Marquardt, Schultz and Williams. Trustees Hebda and Schwartz were absent.

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

1. APPROVAL OF 11/06/2007 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES.

Motion by Trustee Schultz, second by Trustee Marquardt approval of the 11/06/2007 Committee of the Whole Minutes. Roll call vote:

AYES: 4-Williams, Marquardt, Schultz, Byrne

NAYS: 0-None

ABSTAIN: 0-None

ABSENT: 3-Hebda, Koch, Schwartz

Motion declared carried.

2. APPROVAL OF 11/13/2007 SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES.

Motion by Trustee Williams, second by Trustee Marquardt approval of the 11/13/2007 Special Committee of the Whole Minutes. Roll call vote:

AYES: 3-Marquardt, Williams, Byrne

NAYS: 0-None

ABSTAIN: 1-Schultz

ABSENT: 3-Hebda, Koch, Schwartz

Motion declared carried.

3. LIFETIME FITNESS – REQUEST APPROVAL TO AMEND THE APPROVED FINAL SITE, LANDSCAPING AND BUILDING ELEVATION PLAN APPROVALS.

Assistant Village Manager stated LifeTime Fitness was requesting approval to detach the Bistro from the east side of the building and relocate it onto the eastern portion of the pool deck; relocate the spa/whirlpool closer to the building; and move the hammerhead turnaround closer to the building.

Motion by Trustee Schultz, second by Trustee Marquardt approval to direct staff to prepare the necessary ordinance amending Ordinance 2007-33 to grant approval to amend the approved site, landscaping and building elevation plan would be appropriate, subject to compliance with the previous approved conditions and review and approval of the revised landscape plan by the staff prior to issuance of a building permit for the Bistro. Roll call vote:

AYES: 4-Marquardt, Schultz, Williams, Byrne

NAYS: 0-None

ABSTAIN: 0-None

ABSENT: 3-Hebda, Koch, Schwartz

Motion declared carried.

4. **WINDY CITY AMUSEMENT AGREEMENTS.**

Manager Allison stated Windy City Amusement had requested a five year extension on their contract. The Summer Celebration Committee had reviewed the request and concurred to the terms and conditions of the previous agreement. Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Williams approval to direct staff to prepare the necessary agreement to enter into a new 5 year contract with Windy City Amusements. Roll call vote:

AYES: 4-Marquardt, Schultz, Williams, Byrne

NAYS: 0-None

ABSTAIN: 0-None

ABSENT: 3-Hebda, Koch, Schwartz

Motion declared carried.

5. **CANADIAN NATIONAL – EJ&E ACQUISITION.**

Manager Allison stated Canadian National was in the process to purchase the EJ&E for approximately \$100 million. The consensus of the Committee was to direct staff to prepare a letter to the Federal Surface Transportation Board regarding their petition.

6. **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS BUDGET.**

The Committee of the Whole and staff discussed the proposed FY2008-09 Capital Improvements Budgets as followed: 1.) Major Initiatives including VHAC Enhancements, Fields 5 & 6, and Lederman/Atrium Consulting - \$360,000; 2.) ROW/Parkway Beautification - \$80,000; 3.) Street & Roadway Maintenance Reconstruction including 2008 Road Rehab, New Road Enhancements; Lakeview at Fairway and Lakeview at Gregg's - \$1,900,000; 4.) Preventative Maintenance Program including crack sealing, pavement patching, seal coating of municipal lots, etc. - \$160,000; 5.) Bikepath/Sidewalk Improvements including the Annual Sidewalk Program and Curb and Gutter Improvements - \$90,000; 6.) Stormwater Improvements including Harvey Lake Maintenance, Seavey Stabilization, Tennis Lane storm sewer repair, Deerpath Drive culvert, Crabtree Lane culvert, Oakwood detention basin, Cherry Valley detention basin, Westwood outlet to Sullivan ROW, Grosse Pointe detention basin outlet, Seavey culvert at Mundelein haul road, local drainage improvements, Seavey-Butterfield to Hazeltine restoration - \$475,000; 7.) Street Light/Traffic Signals including street lighting – Route 60 & municipal parking lots; Traffic signal warrant studies and illuminated street name signage - \$125,000; 8.) Municipal buildings-PW office storage expansion, Metra Station electrical upgrade for Oktoberfest and landscaping, Village Hall HVAC – \$15,000; 9.) TIF professional engineering services - \$100,000; 10.) Municipal Golf Course path and sand traps - \$100,000; 11.) Arboretum restoration of low area, pathways rehab and revamp of site - \$90,000 for a total of \$3,495,000.

(Trustee Koch arrived at 8:50 p.m.)

7. **50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT AND CELEBRATION.**

The Committee discussed the various combinations of bands. Trustees Koch and Schultz preferred Cheap Trick with Big Bad Voodoo Daddy and Trustees Williams, Marquardt and President Byrne preferred Creedence Clearwater Revisited with Cowboy Mouth or Big Bad Voodoo Daddy. The Committee directed staff to inquire of Trustees Hebda and Schwartz regarding bands preferences and proceed with negotiating with the booking agents regarding band availability.

8. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Schultz approval to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting and go to Closed Session for Personnel-[Sec. 2(c)(1)] as allowed in the Open Meetings Act. Roll call vote:

AYES: 4-Schultz, Williams, Koch, Marquardt

NAYS: 0-None

ABSTAIN: 0-None

ABSENT: 2-Hebda, Schwartz

Motion declared carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Linda Pelletier, Village Clerk

Roger L. Byrne, Village President