

**MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
WORKSHOP MEETING
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
OCTOBER 12, 2004**

IN ATTENDANCE: President Byrne called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. The following Trustees were present: Duros, Koch, Marquardt, and Hebda. Trustee Williams was absent.

Also present were Village Manager Allison, Assistant Village Manager Kalmar, Assistant to the Manager Teich, Finance Director Nakrin, Chief Fleischhauer, Building Commissioner Gerth, Public Works Director Laudenslager and Village Engineer Brown.

1. ORGANIZATIONAL PROGRAM REVIEW.

President Byrne opened the session by thanking staff for their hard work on preparing a comprehensive working document and noted that there would be an executive session to discuss personnel, land acquisition and litigation. Manager Allison and Finance Director Nakrin opened the session by announcing that the Village's current revenues are ½% over projections and for the 12-month period ending July 31st about 1½% above last year. They also noted the efforts taken to date to reduce personnel costs, purchasing and noted the deferrals from the FY2004-05 budget. Several topics were also covered including the space needs of the Police Department and the 5 Year Capital Plan.

Other items discussed included the generation of more Sales Tax by being more aggressive and more creative in going after businesses. Directed Assistant Manager Kalmar to develop an Incentives Policy for the Board to review. There was also a discussion on the importance of the D.A.R.E. program. Manager Allison was directed to draft a letter to District 73's School Board President in regards to the funding of this position.

2. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Duros, second by Trustee Marquardt to adjourn the meeting to go into a closed session to discuss personnel, litigation and land acquisition. Roll call vote:

Ayes: 4-Duros, Koch, Marquardt, Hebda

Nays: 0-None

Absent: 1- Williams

Motion declared carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Evan Teich, Asst. to the Village Manager

Roger L. Byrne, Village President