

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
NOVEMBER 1, 2004**

IN ATTENDANCE: President Pro-Tem Koch called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. The following Trustees were present: Koch, Marquardt, Williams and Hebda.

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

1. APPROVAL OF 9/21/04 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND 10/12/04 SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Hebda, second by Trustee Williams to approve the 9/21/04 Committee of the Whole and 10/12/04 Special Committee of the Whole Minutes. Roll call vote:

AYES: 4 – Hebda, Koch, Marquardt, Williams

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT: 1 – Duros

Motion declared carried.

2. GREGG'S LANDING – HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MEETING ISSUES

Manager Allison and Village Engineer Brown referred to Manager Allison's memo dated October 15, 2004 regarding their meeting with the Gregg's Landing North Homeowners' Association. The topics highlighted by staff were as follows: The Seavey Ditch was cleaned up along with stream bank work being performed. Work still needs to be done on the Hazeltine Bridge and south of the Arbortheater. Manager Allison suggested considering the possibility of a well in Gregg's Landing. The Mundelein access easement is tentatively on the agenda for 11/16/04. The Beaver Creek pond does not retain water and needs to be addressed by the developer. The situation is being monitored. Staff recommends sending Zale a letter for the timeline of completion. Along Hole #17 staff would like to explore the option of working with HOA to carve out a piece of land from the golf course lease and deed the property to the HOA to develop a passive park with a gazebo and some plantings. Staff will survey Augusta Green residents on their monument sign and the possibility of changing the name of Broken Sound Road to Augusta Green.

(President Byrne arrived at 7:50 p.m.)

3. METRA IMPROVEMENTS – PARKING LOT EXPANSION PROPOSAL

Assistant to the Manager Teich reported that an unsolicited proposal came from METRA. They want the Village to forgo intersection improvements and 5' wide sidewalk in exchange for METRA paying for upgraded lights. Staff does not recommend supporting this option and does propose METRA installing the sidewalk across the entire frontage and include the cost of the parking lot lighting upgrades with the 3 additional lights. Staff will proceed with negotiations with METRA and update the Board with an answer.

4. TGI FRIDAY'S PRESENTATION OF REVISED ELEVATIONS FOR THE RESTAURANT AT 151 EAST TOWNLINE ROAD

Assistant Manager Kalmar stated that the restaurants are being remodeled nationwide. The revised elevations were presented. Trustees Koch and Hebda stated the tumbler and tag sign are not acceptable. Staff will discuss options with representatives from TGI Fridays and bring the topic back.

5. WASTE SERVICES NEGOTIATIONS

Assistant to the Manager Teich reported that discussions are continuing with Onyx on the new contract. and referred to his memo dated October 28, 2004. President Byrne requested a meeting with Onyx to resolve the matter.

6. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO ALLOW VINYL/PLASTIC RESIN SHEDS

Building Commissioner Gerth reviewed the proposed ordinance. Trustee Koch suggested a maximum square footage or number of units on sheds that don't require a permit. Staff will address and make the necessary changes.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Williams, second by Trustee Hebda to adjourn the Committee of the Whole and go into closed session for personnel and litigation.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 4 – Marquardt, Williams, Hebda, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT: 1 – Duros

Motion declared carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Jeanne M. Schwartz, Village Clerk

Roger L. Byrne, Village President