

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
APRIL 18, 2006**

IN ATTENDANCE: President Byrne called the meeting to order at 8:45 p.m. The following Trustees were present: Hebda, Koch, Marquardt, Schultz, Schwartz and Williams.

Also present were Village Manager Allison, Assistant Village Manager Kalmar, Finance Director Nakrin, Police Chief Fleischhauer, Village Engineer Brown, Public Works Director Laudenslager, Attorney Citron and Deputy Clerk Pelletier.

1. APPROVAL OF 4/04/2006 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES.

Motion by Trustee Hebda, second by Trustee Marquardt approval of the 4/04/2006 Committee of the Whole Minutes. Roll call vote:

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

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 1-Schwartz (Not present in Board Room)

Motion declared carried.

2. CENTURY PARK – SUMMER CELEBRATION SITE.

Park District Executive Director Larry DeGraaf introduced Dan Dalziel owner of 3D Design Studio, who prepared the plan dated 4/05/2006 for Century Park-Summer Celebration grounds. The plans had been presented at an earlier Village and Park District liaison meeting on beautifying the grounds. A shelter was proposed for the bingo site. Pavers were recommended at the entrance to the park at Center Drive and Lakeview Parkway and a hard surface for a permanent bandstand. Two overlooks would be placed along the lake with benches. Additional lit pathways were proposed through the site and a shelter at the north end. GeoWebbing was recommended on certain grass areas and an irrigation system was proposed. Trustee Schultz recommended adding sound speakers. The cost of the project was estimated to be approximately \$490,000, not including the band shell. Manager Allison stated a basketball court was recommended for the band shell area so it could be a multipurpose hard surface area. Manager Allison recommended budgeting some monies for FY2007-08. Mr. DeGraaf stated the Park District would like to start this fall pending funding.

3. LAKE CHARLES WELL UPDATE.

Public Works Director Laudenslager discussed the Lake Charles irrigation capacity as outlined in his memo dated April 14, 2006. President Byrne inquired if the Village could work with Libertyville, but Engineer Brown stated it might not be feasible. Mr. Brown added that costs for the well were based on those of other golf courses. Don Kathan stated the numbers outlined in the memo were a worse case scenario. President Byrne inquired if this would affect the Vernon Hills Golf Course and was informed a separate well would be installed. Mr. Brown stated suitable plantings along the Seavey Ditch would deter mudflats during dry periods. Grant monies would be used for portions of the expense. Mr. Brown added the Village would need to talk to the County in regards to metering water from the Seavey to fill the pond at the Vernon Hills Golf Course. Staff was directed to proceed with discussions with Brad Schotanus of Municipal Well and Pump in refining numbers.

4. CDW WAY MID BLOCK CROSSWALK.

Manager Allison stated CDW had requested installation of a crosswalk across CDW Way from their existing facility to the newly leased office building north of the street. The Traffic Advisory Committee reviewed the request at their March meeting and based on the original request the TAC

could not make a recommendation. Staff had since reviewed the location and developed some ideas on a concept sketch. A concrete median would eliminate the eastbound left turn into the newly leased facility and could provide a refuge for their employees walking across the street. Staff also recommended installation of flashing warning beacons on advance crosswalk, yield signage and proper pavement markings. CDW had agreed to pay for the improvements.

5. GREGG'S PARKWAY AND LAKEVIEW-LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS/LICENSE AGREEMENT.

Village Engineer Brown stated bids were opened for the landscaping of this site and only one bidder had submitted a bid, which did not meet the specification. Mr. Brown recommended not awarding the bid. He added staff was investigating the benefits of ordering new nursery stock that would have a one-year warranty versus spading the KB Home plantings. The licensing agreement would permit the HOA to complete the grading work. The staff would do research and present their recommendations at the May 2, 2006 meeting.

Don Kathan, the HOA president stated their contractor was on hold to begin the earthmoving and boulder work. He questioned when the sidewalks would be completed. Engineer Brown recommended that if the planting could not be done this spring, the work should be held off until August for fall planting.

6. GREGG'S LANDING, POD D-BAYHILL – ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Village Engineer Brown stated the public improvements for Gregg's Landing, Pod D-Bayhill, were ready for acceptance. A resolution would be placed on the 5/02/2006 consent agenda for final approval to release the Subdivision Bond # 929324319 dated 2/19/04, with subsequent receipt of a two-year maintenance guarantee for \$216,200.

7. RDS CYCLING-USE OF VHAC.

Manager Allison stated the Lake County Visitor Bureau and RDS had contacted the Village to discuss the promotion of a cycling race event in Vernon Hills. RDS was requesting the Village to participate in an event for 2007 that would generate 2500-3000 participants. RDS was looking for sponsorship. Manager Allison recommended the use of the VHAC site. The Village would contact the Cougar Organization and schools regarding the event and recommending the event being held the end of July or the beginning of August 2007.

8. ADJOURNMENT

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

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

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 0-None

Motion declared carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Linda Pelletier, Deputy Village Clerk

Roger L. Byrne, Village President