

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
JUNE 6, 2006**

IN ATTENDANCE: President Byrne called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. The following Trustees were present: Hebda, Koch, Marquardt, Schultz and Schwartz. Trustee Williams was absent.

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

1. APPROVAL OF 5/16/2006 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES.

Motion by Trustee Hebda, second by Trustee Koch approval of the 5/16//2006 Committee of the Whole Minutes. Roll call vote:

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

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 1-Williams

Motion declared carried.

2. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL FROM HARLEM FURNITURE, 701 N. MILWAUKEE AVENUE, TO MODIFY THE EXISTING FRONT BUILDING FAÇADE OF SUITES 296-300 IN THE RIVERTREE COURT SHOPPING CENTER TO ACCOMMODATE A STORE EXPANSION.

Building Commissioner Gerth stated Harlem Furniture was expanding into the adjacent tenant space previously occupied by Books-a-Million. Mr. Enrique Castel of JTS Architects and Mr. Robert Clark of Harlem Furniture were present to answer questions if the Committee had concerns. Inland Commercial Property Management representative was present. Trustee Koch had concerns with the lower Room Place signage and was informed the lower sign was actually located on a rear wall of the interior. Motion by Trustee Schultz, second by Trustee Marquardt approval to authorize staff to prepare the necessary ordinance for final approval. Roll call vote:

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

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 1-Williams

Motion declared carried.

3. HEZNER PRESENTATION ON POLICE DEPT EXPANSION ALTERNATIVE.

Assistant Manager Kalmar introduced Scott and Curt Hezner, who were present to provide an overview of the Police Department Facility Expansion. Police Chief Fleischhauer stated staff had worked for several months on the needs to expand the facility. Staffing issues were the driving force with staff expansion in Telecommunications, Records, Social Services and Investigations Departments. Space would be needed to store permanent documents as required by State Statutes.

Scott Hezner provided multiple plans which included building up over the existing facility and the use of the current American Family Insurance building, if the Village so choose to purchase. Cost of the expansion was not discussed.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Koch, second by Trustee Schwartz to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting to Closed Session for discussion of land acquisition-[Sec. 2(c)(5)] as allowed under the Open Meetings Act. Roll call vote:

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

NAYS: 0-None

ABSENT: 1-Williams

Motion declared carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Linda Pelletier, Deputy Village Clerk

Roger L. Byrne, Village President