

**VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE**  
**February 5, 2009 7:30 pm**

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Thomas P. Hyde called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

**ROLL CALL** Roll call indicated the following present: Trustees Garling, Herrmann, Ponio and Verciglio. Absent: Clerk Kaczmarek, Trustee Mascillino. Trustee Saville arrived at 7:37 pm.

Trustee Garling has nothing for the meeting.

Trustee Herrmann touched on open ended items. The Code Book quote – she said it has been determined that quotes are being worked on. She said a piece of all three will most likely be needed from B & F Technical, Ancel Glink and Baxter & Woodman. She asked all of them to meet along with Frank DeSort and Willie Kootstra and John Little and to come to a monetary agreement as well as what will be needed in the code book and who will be responsible for what portion. Trustee Herrmann requested a vote for the next meeting. Trustee Ponio questioned when the meeting is. Trustee Herrmann said that she did not schedule the meeting yet. She said that she is not sure that Trustee Ponio will not be invited. Trustee Ponio questioned why he isn't invited. Mayor Hyde requested that Trustee Ponio send Frank DeSort a note that he would like to be invited as well. He said Trustee Ponio is welcome to the meeting.

Trustee Verciglio had no items to present this evening.

Trustee Ponio said he put before the Board to update discharging a firearm. He said that Trustee Herrmann commented at the last meeting that it is very expensive to codify an ordinance. Trustee Ponio said though that this ordinance change was recommended by the Village Attorney and the Police Chief. Trustee Garling said it was not based on the codifying costs but because there wasn't a need there. Trustee Ponio said one comment though was that it is very expensive to codify. Trustee Herrmann said there was a whole lot more in that discussion why it got voted down.

*Items from the Mayor*

- Mayor Hyde handed out a request from Bridge Inspection by Baxter & Woodman. Will be for a vote at the next meeting. It has to do with bridge inspections along with manager duties, etc. Total of \$5200 for this contract. The breakdown is included.
- Mayor Hyde said they all received a letter from Countryside off of Route 12 and their application for a permit to manage a waste site for in house use only. A response needs to come back from the Village to this.
- Mayor Hyde said there is a request from the Northwest Herald regarding the Village taking out an ad to promote things that were done last year. Other Church's and businesses are on board and they are asking the Village to participate.
- Mayor Hyde said there are many minutes not finalized and he is hoping to get a list of them. He went through his notes and can not tell. He said they need to get done and he's looking for an update. Trustee Herrmann said Clerk Kaczmarek had the Village Attorney in charge of this. Some were to be done by the Attorney Trustee Herrmann said. Mayor Hyde said 8 or 9 of them are still out. He said he needs to see minutes before approving certain items as he wants to know for sure who voted on what. Mayor Hyde said he is looking for 9/25, 10/2, 10/23, 11/6, 11/13 and 12/4. He said a few are approved but not all of them. Plus, there are other meetings as well. Trustee Herrmann will touch base with John Little. Mayor Hyde wants them caught up.
- Mayor Hyde said John Little attended an IMRF meeting and the Board will be receiving notes on this meeting. It appears IMRF has lost up to 40% of their assets and it's more money than the Village originally thought. There will be sizeable increases.
- Mayor Hyde passed out information on the recovery. He's not sure how much is coming down to the community level. It is tied to roads, water and infrastructure.

- Mayor Hyde mentioned the subject of the canopy out front. He said the discussion is going nowhere and nothing has been passed for improvements on Village Hall yet there was danger expressed regarding this canopy but there has been no decision. He suggested that someone maybe needs to look at it to determine what needs to be done. Trustee Ponio stated what needs to be done in order to determine how to fix it properly. He said a ground thaw may need to take place though first. Trustee Saville commented that it was there to protect students and maybe it should just be taken down if it's unsafe and this may be the most inexpensive way to handle this. Mayor Hyde said employees may not be willing to do this but maybe a demolition service could be hired. The front of the building would then need some repair too as it would be opened up. Trustee Garling said the cement would need to be dug out. Trustee Ponio said the posts could be cut off too instead and then dug out later. Mayor Hyde said maybe they are looking at Spring time then instead to revisit this. Trustee Verciglio said it was commented earlier that this was a safety issue. Trustee Saville said it has to be dealt with and that the Board will eventually have to make a decision. He previously was working with Mr. Kootstra on this before he was removed from Public Works.
- Mayor Hyde there's a Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance that needs to be passed.
- Mayor Hyde said there is a water bond that is being recommended to be paid off by John Little. Trustee Herrmann asked for it for the next agenda to be voted on. On January 16<sup>th</sup> information was distributed to everyone. Trustee Herrmann said Mr. Little recommended moving on this. Mayor Hyde asked Trustee Herrmann to ask John Little to do a comparison as to how much the Village would lose if they continued to pay on it and what they would owe in interest vs. paying it off. Mayor Hyde said the Village could lose about \$50,000 if they keep the bond going vs. paying it off.
- Mayor Hyde said they received information from the Clerk acknowledging that official newspaper for the Village and passing an ordinance. Trustee Garling said there should not be an official newspaper for the Village. Trustee Herrmann said it is an unnecessary procedure. She said there really is only one newspaper, the Daily Herald. She said it is currently an ordinance but that the Attorney said it is not necessary to pick a newspaper for the Village. Mayor Hyde asked if it should be repealed. Trustee Garling agreed. Trustee Herrmann will contact Attorney Puma.
- Maintenance of Well #9 was discussed and a contract was passed out. Mr. Little recommended it and said funds are available. The well needs to be pulled as well. This will be on the next agenda.
- Mayor Hyde was contacted by a gentleman regarding the Island. A youth center was previously discussed. A group is looking to build a youth center between Island Lake and Wauconda. They will start by looking for a petition for support first. They would be glad also to take an existing building if there is one available to be donated. Local Principals have offered support already.
- Mayor Hyde spoke to SJN which is looking to connect to Island Lake water. Baxter & Woodman is reviewing it. Neal is working on it as well. There is concern for costs on this project.
- Mr. Kootstra passed out information on salt refund/reimbursement. He thanked Mr. Kootstra for all his work on working on possibilities for funding. Senator Althoff is trying to do something as well to generate money assistance.
- Mayor Hyde asked about the zoning map updating and requirements for the Village. Trustee Garling said that Attorney Puma was working with Baxter & Woodman on this. It was decided that Baxter & Woodman would complete the updates and present it to the Board. Trustee Herrmann said we can look for an update on this at the next meeting.
- Trustee Saville had no items for this evening.
- Trustee Verciglio said he has items for Trustee Saville due to questions at the last Board Meeting. One question was – what the relationship between Creative Playtime and Cotton Creek Schools. Trustee Verciglio said there is no connection with Club and they do have a working relationship with Cotton Creek. They have called the Village for certain information. There is no contract though. The other question was number of children enrolled. Trustee Verciglio said there are 117 currently enrolled, 20 are 2 year olds, 45 are 3 year olds and 52 are 4 year olds. The third question was letters of exemption and letters between Creative Playtime and DCFS. Trustee Verciglio said for 2007 and 2008 – the request went in 2006 for a two year period and the letter for 2008 went in which covers two years as well. There are letters going both ways Trustee Verciglio said for 2009. At this time, he passed the letters to Trustee Saville and he included a note for Trustee Saville to sign that he did indeed receive these documents. Two copies were provided, one to keep.

*Motion by Trustee Ponio, properly seconded to open the meeting to the floor. All in favor.*

*Nicholas Van Scoyoc, 3401 Greenleaf, Island Lake: He questioned the referendum that he has been reading about in the newspaper. Mr. VanScoyoc has read several comments but questioned if it's proper, in this economy, to be asking for more monies and adding to taxes. The only justification he has heard is "this building is falling down"; however, he does not see any emergency. He questioned instead if some of this can be inflicted instead back to developers. Mayor Hyde said the Board voted unanimously against going out for a referendum for these improvements so it will not be on the ballot this year. Nothing has been settled on improvements yet though but the referendum will not be out there.*

*Motion by Trustee Herrmann, properly seconded to bring the meeting back to the Board. All in favor.*

*Motion by Trustee Garling, properly seconded to adjourn the committee meeting. Being that no further business was discussed, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm. All in favor.*

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*Christine Kaczmarek, Village Clerk*