

**Village Board Meeting Minutes**  
**VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE**  
**3720 Greenleaf Avenue, Island Lake, IL 60042**  
**December 14, 2017, 7:30 p.m.**



1. **Call to Order** at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Amrich
2. **Roll Call** Present: Trustees Mark Beeson, John Burke, Chuck Cermak, Sandy Doehler, Harold England and Jennifer Villarreal  
Also present: Mayor Charles R. Amrich, Clerk Georgine Cooper, Director of Public Works Director Brian Bartnick, Treasurer Ed McGinty, IT Manager George Muligano, Police Chief Anthony Sciarrone, EMA Director Calvin Clay and Attorney David McArdle

3. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Mayor Amrich

4. **Public Comments** included: none

5. **Presentation on Health Insurance, Colleen Roos**

Colleen Roos presented an Executive Overview of the 2018 health proposal to the Board for the January 1, 2018 renewal date. She negotiated down the increase from 22% to 13%. We recommend renewal with same benefits. In May of 2015, we moved to a strategy to keep our premiums low. Next renewal will be January 1, 2019. Questions: Trustee Villarreal: What is an HRA? Response: A Health Reimbursement Account; this helps to mitigate costs. Trustee Cermak: Of the \$2,500 deductible, employee pays first \$1,500.00. Trustee Villarreal: From 2015 and including the changes, are the Village and employee costs increasing? Response: It's hard to compare as number of employees has increased. I look at it in terms of premium increases and it looks good. The union contracts limit what the employee will pay.

Treasurer Ed McGinty: The marketplace for insurance is "horrible". In comparison to other villages, we are doing well; some villages have a 40% increase. We don't recommend reducing employee benefit. Humana increase was 32% over what we are paying today.

6. **Committee and Department Reports**

- a. Public Works, Trustee England
- b. Lakes, Parks, Recreation, and Education, Trustee Doehler
- c. Economic Development and Grants, Trustee Cermak
- d. Building and Zoning, Trustee Burke
- e. Police, Public Safety, and Ordinances, Trustee Beeson
- f. Finance and Administration, Trustee Villarreal

7. **Consent Agenda**

- a. **Approval payment of bills totaling \$795,784.07**
- b. **Approval of minutes from 11/9/17 Village Board Meeting**

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by Trustee Burke, Second by Trustee Doehler  
Discussion: Trustee Burke: Does the MFT maintenance come from the MFT fund? Response: Impact fees pay for the Peter Baker invoice; the other out of MFT. Trustee England: Does the purchase of vehicles for the Water Department come out of water fund? Response: Yes. Trustee Burke: Do we get reimbursed for Baxter and Woodman fees for Cotton Creek School retention pond.  
Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none  
Motion carried.

8. **Motion to ratify Resolution 646-17 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Apply for 2018 Lake County Community Development Block Grant Funding**

Motion to ratify Resolution 646-17 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Apply for 2018 Lake County

Community Development Block Grant Funding by Trustee Doehler, Second by Trustee England  
Discussion: The resolution was passed at the 11/9/17 meeting due to application deadline and place on this agenda for ratification.

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none  
Motion carried.

**9. Motion to adopt 2018 Meeting Schedule**

Motion to adopt the 2018 Meeting Schedule by Trustee England, Second by Trustee Beeson

Discussion: First January meeting date was corrected from the original packet to be: 1/11/18.

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none

Motion carried.

**10. Motion approve Ordinance # 1567-17 *An Ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the Village of Island Lake, Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois for the 2017 tax year***

Discussion: Treasurer McGinty: Counties require this so that we can receive real estate taxes. It tells the counties what we expect to received. Last year we levied \$1,284,051. This year's is 4.9% over that.

Motion approve Ordinance # 1567-17 An Ordinance levying taxes for all corporate purposes for the Village of Island Lake, Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois for the 2017 tax year by Trustee England, Second by Trustee Cermak

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none

Motion carried.

**11. Motion approve Ordinance # 1568-17 *An Ordinance abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2017 to pay debt service on the General Obligation Waterworks Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2014 of the Village of Island Lake, Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois***

Discussion: Treasurer McGinty: This is a standard ordinance to tell the counties not to charge the residents as these are paid through the water and general funds.

Motion approve Ordinance # 1568-17 An Ordinance abating the taxes heretofore levied for the year 2017 to pay debt service on the General Obligation Waterworks Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2014 of the Village of Island Lake, Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois by Trustee Burke, Second by Trustee Doehler

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none

Motion carried.

**12. Motion to approve Ordinance # 1569-17 increasing water connection fees to reflect 9/1/2017 CPI**

Discussion: Attorney McArdle: The intent is to adjust it so it doesn't have to come back to the Village Board. That was the original intent but it needed to be reworded. Trustee Doehler: Is this common?

Response: Yes

Motion to approve Ordinance # 1569-17 increasing water connection fees to reflect 9/1/2017 CPI by Trustee -, Second by Trustee -

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none

Motion carried.

**13. Motion to approve Resolution # 647-17 *A Resolution Adopting an Anti-Harassment Policy***

Discussion: Mayor Amrich: It was prepared by Attorney McArdle. Attorney McArdle: State required the resolution. It has to be absorbed into the Village Policy. Trustee Villarreal: A review of the policy was suggested at the last Admin meeting and this is one of the items that needed updating. Question about Section C; does it cover other forms? Response: Yes.

Motion to approve Resolution # 647-17 A Resolution Adopting an Anti-Harassment Policy by Trustee Villarreal, Second by Trustee England

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none  
Motion carried.

**14. Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. contract for the 2018 fireworks in the amount of \$19,500.00**

Discussion: Trustee Beeson: The consensus at the last Events Meeting was the consensus that we should change vendors. The contract includes all parts of the display. Trustee Villarreal: I was impressed with the presentation. Attorney McArdle: Melrose agreed to the Addendum.

Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. contract for the 2018 fireworks in the amount of \$19,500.00 by Trustee Doehler, Second by Trustee Beeson

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none  
Motion carried.

**15. Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Nunda Township Road District and the Village of Island Lake for the Sale and Purchase of an Emulsion Sprayer**

Removed from Agenda.

**16. Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the Variety Entertainment Service, Inc. Contract in the amount of \$400.00 for DJ and auction services [for the Dinner Dance fundraiser]**

Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the Variety Entertainment Service, Inc. Contract in the amount of \$400.00 for DJ and auction services by Trustee England, Second by Trustee Burke

Discussion: The annual Dinner Dance is an Events fundraiser.

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none  
Motion carried.

**17. Discussion of and possible motion to purchase from Building Energy Experts LED 100 Watt fixtures and street lights in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00**

Public Works Director Brian Bartnick: 100 watts is the usage; output is 400 watts. The price for a single fixture would be \$1,000; the poles would be \$4,000. They are a good deal. The quote includes fixtures and parts for other lights. Cost for new: over \$20,000.00; these are \$166.00 apiece. Public Works is converting street lights to LED to save energy and cost. Water Tower Park changes, add to Village Hall Campus. They are close to Walnut Glen style. Trustee Doehler: Are you going to try to keep light tone consistent?

Trustee Burke: Are they new or used? Will they fit on the poles at Veterans? Response: They are like new and they will fit. Trustee Cermak: Where would you put additional lights? Would the lights be on all night? The old ones should come off. If you don't purchase all, the price goes up. What's the time span that they'd be sitting? Response: We can mount some on the building like a coach light; they will put out a lot of light.

Trustee England: We're working on a ComEd program to replace older lights. We could use these to replace some and get reimbursement. ComEd will give x amount of dollars per wattage saved. Commissioner Schnell: Are there any areas in town where residents have been concerned about having more light? Brian Bartnick: Cost of installation. Trustee Doehler: Is it just the fixture we will retrofit to existing poles? Response: Yes. Trustee Villarreal: We are accomplishing two things: Beauty and energy efficiency. Cermak: Post head vs. post only. There are 30 light heads. We have poles and can make additional ones (for a cost of approximately \$5.00 per foot).

Motion to purchase from Building Energy Experts LED 100 Watt fixtures and street lights in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 by Trustee Doehler, Second by Trustee Villarreal

Discussion:

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none  
Motion carried.

**18. Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the Real Estate Sale Agreement and all closing documents relating to Dorothy Court property/beach lot in the amount of \$10,000.00**

Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the Real Estate Sale Agreement and all closing documents relating to Dorothy Court property/beach lot in the amount of \$10,000.00 by Trustee Beeson, Second by Trustee Burke

Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none  
Motion carried.

**19. Mayor Comments** included: Trustees Burke and England and staff attended a meeting on Darrell, Dowell, Neville and Fisher Road reconfigurations. We put forth a proposal and it is one of the possibilities; it is on the table here and available to be reviewed. Approximately 80% of the money will come from Federal funds. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

**20. Trustee and Staff Comments** included Trustee Doehler: Ditto holiday wishes; can we put one of those lights on Burnett at Darrell Road? Trustee Beeson: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year; thanks to the Mayor and some trustees for supporting the Lions Christmas Party; tree lighting went well; attended Real Estate conference in Libertyville with the Mayor; someone expressed interest in property behind Island Foods (former Sheltering Oak). Trustee England: Merry Christmas, Happy New Year. Trustee Villarreal: Happy Holidays and prosperous new year; special thanks to Brian Bartnick; we're lucky to have you. Trustee Burke: Holiday meal program: delivered 20 holiday meals; will deliver 20 more on December 22; Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Trustee Cermak: Thanks to all of Board members from promoting Island Lake; Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and shop Island Lake. George Muligano: Happy Holidays. Wayne Schnell: Glad we got the Dorothy Beach property. Happy Holidays.

Brian Bartnick: Glad we got the new Public Works building; we're getting it organized. We had to redo the star on the water tower. We were going to have a "Save the Star" fund but Elizabeth McGinty facilitated anonymous donations to fund the project. Reminder: Salvation Army Red Kettle collection is on December 23. Chief Sciarrone: We partnered with nine kids from Island Lake for Shop with a Cop; coat and boots were donated by Walmart, as was \$150 (per child) to shop with. McHenry County Sheriff's Department selects recipients. Ed McGinty: Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and safe holiday.

**21. Public Comment** included: Bob Carpenter: Update on Memorial Day commemoration: Dave Walz of Fife and Drum Corps will play bagpipes; Ms. Villarreal will once again sing National Anthem; one change: ceremony will begin at 2:45 p.m. We will be able to have a moment of silence at 3:00 p.m., in keeping with the National Remembrance Act.

**22. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Villarreal, Second by Trustee Beeson  
All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Submitted by Georgine Cooper