

Village Board Meeting Minutes
VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE
3720 Greenleaf Avenue, Island Lake, IL 60042
March 8, 2018, 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; Absent: none
Also present: Mayor Charles R. Amrich, Village Clerk Georgine Cooper, Director of Public Works Director Brian Bartnick, Treasurer Ed McGinty, IT Manager George Muligano, Police Chief Anthony Sciarone and Attorney David McArdle and a Wauconda Fire District Battalion Chief Mark Dierker

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

4. **Power Energy Solutions Presentation on LED Conversion**, Ryan Herrmann
On LED Conversion: Mr. Herrmann has been meeting with Trustee England, Public Works Director Bartnick and IT Director Muligano assessing energy consumption; high pressure sodium lights and halogen lights are less efficient than LED for street lights. LED can reduce energy use up to 70%. There are incentives in Illinois to get projects accomplished. The Village already owns 30 LED fixtures. ComEd incentives are based on watt reduction.

Proposal: Project cost is \$20,000. ComEd incentive/rebate: approximately \$13,000; out of pocket cost for Village: \$6,640. Savings can be upwards of \$80,000 (does not take into consideration free power to Village Hall.) Self-install proposal. 70 additional fixtures needed.

Application can be sent to ComEd with no obligation; deadline is May 31 for installation of lights. Pre-application is to be done before installation and can be done by a number of companies. The process takes two weeks for approval.

5. **Public Comments** included: Peter Nelson requested that Village personnel out on the street notice areas in need of cleanup and pursue code enforcement. Sean MacDonald asked the Village Board to vote down Agenda Item #8 and to have a minimum of two towing companies. Ryan Herrmann asked what would happen if we have a storm and need multiple tows.

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 the amended amount of \$246,851.55.**
- b. **Approval of minutes from 2/8/18 and 2/22/18 /Village Board Meetings**

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by Trustee Burke, Second by Trustee Cermak
Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none
Motion carried.

8. **Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the Tow List Contract with Mike's Towing**

Mayor Amrich: Mike raised issues with the contract in a meeting this morning would not be attending the 3/8/18 board meeting. Attorney McArdle: 2/24/18 contract with Exhibit A did not include final rates and fees. The final Exhibit A can be shared with anyone. The new agreement cancels the previous one; Mike's Towing needs to sign the letter canceling it. Currently, Mike's Towing is the only towing

contractor and is charging the previous fees; he has not provided specific numbers for Exhibit A. Trustee Doehler questioned the philosophy of having only one company on the list. Chief's response: He has the equipment and an in-town tow yard.

Motion to table item #8 Tow List Contract until the March 22, 2018 by Trustee: England, Second by Trustee: Doehler

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

9. **Mayor Comments** included: 2 bids on dispatch contract one from McHenry and one from Lake Zurich; Trustee Beeson and the mayor will go to Lake Zurich on Friday; Patrick Stewart received a letter for perfect compliance for the Water Department in 2017; budget meeting March 15, 6:30 p.m.; Brian has been working with sign company on the two Welcome to Island Lake signs (a reasonable proposal is for \$600 - \$1,000); testing of tornado sirens on Tuesday, barely audible in Walnut Glen; talked with Glen Swanson of Wauconda; Township about help; will be attending Lake County CDBC meeting next Wednesday; accessibility grant was approved (approximately \$40,000); staff meeting tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.
10. **Trustee and Staff Comments** included: Trustee Doehler: Asked Public Works Director Bartnick about the sign company work on the Hyde's Lakeview Park sign; Happy International Women's Day. Trustee Beeson: Agreed that we should have more than one towing company; looks forward to going back to Lake Zurich and to get more savings [for dispatch services]. Trustee England: Agrees there should be a backup company for towing. Trustee Cermak: Most owners of businesses in our community do not live in town; Starbucks is not interested in the former auto repair. Trustee Burke: Would like to see at least two companies on the tow list. Trustee Villarreal: The only concern about the lighting is the timeframe. Trustee England: We only lose the 20% bonus if we don't finish by May but we would have until the end of the year to complete. The provision is in the statute to call outside of contract when the need arises. If the terms do not get agreed on, there is no agreement.

Fire Chief: Charlie Buschick retiring March 23; invites the board to ceremony at 4:00 p.m. at Station 1.

Attorney McArdle: If we don't have an acceptable contract by next meeting, we start over. Board consensus will allow mayor to sign electricity purchase agreement. Attorney McArdle handed out first draft of Personnel Rules and Regulations Manual and requested feedback.

11. **Public Comment** included: Kathy Reiland: McHenry County Division of Transportation is going to shut Dowell Road from June to August; would like support from Village of Island Lake; McHenry County has promised to keep one lane open. Fire Chief: Route has to be open for emergency vehicles. Sean MacDonald thanked board for taking the time to consider the towing issue. Peter Nelson: Inquired about status of Sheltering Oak. Response: Property was purchased in a tax sale.
12. **Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing and appointment, employment, compensation and performance of specific employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1); litigation 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)**
Motion to go into Executive Session for the purposes stated above by Trustee Cermak, Second by Trustee England
Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, Doehler, England and Villarreal; Nays: none
Motion carried.
13. **Return to Open Session—Action, if any, on Executive Sessions Items discussed.**
No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.
14. **Adjournment**
Motion to adjourn by Trustee Cermak, Second by Trustee Doehler
All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Submitted by Georgine Cooper