

**Village Board Meeting Minutes**  
**VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE**  
**3720 Greenleaf Avenue, Island Lake, IL 60042**  
**April 11, 2019, 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, Harold England and Will Ziegler. Absent: Trustee Villarreal. Also present: Mayor Charles R. Amrich; Clerk Georgine Cooper; Attorney David McArdle; Treasurer Ed McGinty; Director of Technology & Strategic Innovation George Muligano; Police Chief Dan Palmer; Director of Public Works Brian Bartnick; Building Commissioner Wayne Schnell; Chair of Planning and Zoning Joe Zeinz
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Mayor Amrich
4. **Public Comment** included: Resident commented on the beautiful new floor. Resident: Would like a smaller toter for recycling.
5. **Committee and Department Reports**
  - a. Public Works, Trustee England
  - b. Lakes, Parks, Recreation, and Education, Trustee Ziegler
  - c. Economic Development and Grants, Trustee Cermak
  - d. Building and Zoning, Trustee Burke
  - e. Police, Public Safety, and Ordinances, Trustee England
  - f. Finance and Administration, Mayor Amrich
6. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. **Approval payment of bills totaling \$ 310,411.18**
  - b. **Approval of minutes from 3/14/2019 and 3/28/2019 Village Board Meetings**

Discussion:

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the correction of George Muligano's name by Trustee Burke, Second by Trustee Cermak

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

**OLD BUSINESS: none**

**NEW BUSINESS**

7. **Motion to refer proposed Ordinance 1586-19 An Ordinance Adopting Residence Overlay District Text Amendments to the Village of Island Lake Zoning Ordinances draft to the Zoning Commission for Hearing**

Discussion: Mayor: The Zoning Board has been working on review of properties in original part of town Planning and Zoning Chair Joe Zeinz: Unique square footage and setbacks for original part of town. Before annexation of Fox River Shores, new R3 Zoning included larger lot size of 10,000 sf. Original part of town would be treated as legal nonconforming and would have to go before the Zoning Board to make improvements that they could no longer make under the new R3 zoning. The overlay district would allow homeowners to make improvements without having to go through variance petitions. The purpose of the proposed ordinance is to remove the hardship created by the revised R3 zoning requirements. Provides time and cost savings. 4 requirements proposed for change: lot size to 7,200 sf lot; frontage to 60; front set back to 25'; side yard setback to 4'. Approximately 81% of homes will now conform to lot size. 19% are under 7,200 sf but will be legal, nonconforming. That 19% will require variances for improvements.

Attorney McArdle: 9-10-1 in ordinance needs to be repealed for consistency with proposed ordinance.

Mayor opened meeting to the floor: Resident: The Village did not create a hardship; the residences were for summer; concerned that people will overbuild on small lots. Resident: Built house on 40 foot lot; has a 60' lot; does that require variance? Resident: Moved here 3 years ago; would like to know if lot is legal.

Motion to refer proposed Ordinance 1586-19 An Ordinance Adopting Residence Overlay District Text Amendments to the Village of Island Lake Zoning Ordinances draft to the Zoning Commission for Hearing by Trustee Beeson, Second by Trustee England  
Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, England and Ziegler; Nays: none. Motion carried.

**8. Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the 2019-2021 contract between the Village of Island Lake Illinois and Fraternal Order of Police**

Discussion: Trustee Beeson: Items should read 2019-2022. Treasurer McGinty: Negotiations went well. We have 3 sergeants; the increase per year is 2.75%. Keeping officers in a competitive environment can be difficult;

Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the 2019-2022 [Sergeants] contract between the Village of Island Lake Illinois Fraternal Order of Police by Trustee Beeson, Second by Trustee Ziegler  
Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, England and Ziegler; Nays: none. Motion carried.

**9. Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the 2019-2020 Senior Citizen Busing and Transportation Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the Township of Wauconda and the Village of Island Lake Illinois**

Discussion: Mayor Amrich: This is a much needed service we have provided for seniors for approximately 20 years; it covers both townships in the Village. Trustee Beeson: The amount is not as high as it has been.

Motion to authorize Mayor Amrich to sign the 2019-2020 Senior Citizen Busing and Transportation Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the Township of Wauconda and the Village of Island Lake Illinois by Trustee Beeson, Second by Trustee Burke  
Ayes: Trustees Beeson, Burke, Cermak, England and Ziegler; Nays: none. Motion carried.

**10. Mayor Comments** included: 1) Received a call from Marvin Keys who represents First Midwest Group, owners of property behind Walgreens and McDonald's; they have had no luck in marketing properties thus far. A developer expressed interest in multi-family property; I said we don't need multi-family.

Trustee Beeson: Agree that we need business, not homes. Trustee England: Small businesses won't come; we should think about putting residences and have property on tax rolls. Trustee Ziegler: I'd like to see commercial. Trustee Burke: It's worth a listen to see what they'd like to put there. Trustee Cermak: Don't feel it's attractive for commercial; businesses would be hidden; would welcome a presentation. Mayor will call owners about presentation.

2) Received 2 requests for gaming; neither has a pouring license; would not like to see them.

Aurora recently limited number and density of gaming establishments.

**11. Trustee and Staff Comments** included: Trustee Beeson: A resident asked about having front yard gardens [vegetable]; congratulated candidates. Commissioner Schnell: Ordinance doesn't prohibit it; it can't be fenced. Trustee England: Resident asked if we have an ordinance against garbage cans in the front. Commissioner Schnell: No ordinance requiring enclosing them; suggests they be on side of house and in back. Trustee Cermak: How intrusive would garden be to neighbors? Size of garden? Look into other towns' restrictions. Commissioner Schnell: Suggests monitoring complaints before taking action; some homeowners' associations may restrict with covenants. Trustee Burke: Building and Zoning Committee meeting next week to talk about impact fees.

Public Works Director Bartnick: Hope plows will not be needed. Chief Palmer: Spring brings speeding auto complaints and solicitor complaints. We will be enforcing the law. Treasurer McGinty: Budget Meeting on April 16 at 6:30 p.m. Director of Technology & Strategic Innovation Muligano: Thanked Brian Bartnick for helping get security systems running. Commissioner Schnell: Praised Joe Zeinz for work on zoning overlay.

- 12. Public Comment** included: Resident: Difficult to understand where to make the turn to enter Culver's parking lot westbound on 176. Mayor: Route 176 is State highway and lanes were configured by State. Chief Palmer will contact the State. Resident: Just moved to Island Lake; complimented Public Works on snow removal and salting; asked about repairing/paving of Greenleaf Ave. Resident: Asked if there were trustee districts and who to call with questions. Resident: Wants property owners behind Walgreens and vacant lots—especially Phase II lots—in Walnut Glen be required to clean their property; ordinance allows sheds, does this supersede covenants; would like to see HOA covenants be ordinances that apply to the divisions. Resident asked who to call to report solicitors. Response: 847-526-2100, police non-emergency number.

Mayor Amrich asked Commissioner Schnell to talk to property owners. Mayor Amrich will talk to the owners of the commercial property behind Walgreens.

**13. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Cermak, Second by Trustee Burke  
All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Submitted by Georgine Cooper